

In the Council Chambers, Municipal Building  
on May 18, 1967 at 7:30 p.m. E.S.T. Councilman  
Charles J. Faris presiding.

REGULAR MEETING  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

Council President Charles J. Faris.

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy City Clerk:

ROLL CALL

Members present: Councilman Robert L. Clegg,  
Clyde Day, Harry Day, Richard Fee, Charles J.  
Faris, Ralph Johnson, Guy Moulden.

Members absent: Council President Faris  
reported Councilman Derge is still in Europe  
and Councilman Byers is ill.

Councilman Ralph Johnson introduced Reverend Curtis  
Stephan of the University Lutheran Church, who gave  
the invocation.

INVOCATION

Mayor John H. Hooker, Jr; Raymond Long, City Engineer,  
James Cotner; City Attorney; Jess Inman, Acting  
Chief of Police; Jerome Femal, Director, Parks and  
Recreation Department; Marvard Clark, Assistant City  
Engineer; James D. Sargent, Street Commissioner;  
F. Wilson Thrasher, Utilities Director.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Twenty-four including James Root, Reporter for  
The Daily Herald Telephone; William F. Forrestor,  
Reporter for the Bloomington Tribune and David  
Weaver reporter from the Daily Student.

NUMBER OF CITIZENS  
IN ATTENDANCE

Councilman Johnson made the motion that the  
minutes of the previous meeting be approved as  
typed and distributed. Councilman Clegg seconded  
the motion and it carried.

MINUTES OF FORMER MEETING

None.

REMONSTRANCES AND OBJECTIONS

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance  
No. 67-25 be advanced to second reading and read  
by the Clerk by title only.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

Councilman Harry Day seconded the motion and it  
carried.

Ordinance No. 67-25  
Annexation - Bloomington  
Development Corporation

The Deputy City Clerk read proposed Ordinance  
No. 67-25 by title only.

Mr. Marvard Clark explained this proposed Ordinance.  
No one in the audience spoke for or against this  
proposed Ordinance.

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance  
No. 67-25 be adopted. Councilman Fee seconded  
the motion. Roll call vote: ayes - 7, nays - none.  
Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 67-26  
Annexation - Bitner Woods

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance  
No. 67-26 be advanced to second reading and read  
by the Clerk by title only.

Councilman Clegg seconded the motion and it carried.  
Mr. Marvard Clark explained this proposed Ordinance.

The Deputy City Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 67-26  
by title only.

Councilman Fee asked if provisions for the East side  
by-pass had been made in regard to this annexation.  
Attorney Tom McDonald answered that only the lots  
had been annexed.

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance  
No. 67-26 be adopted. Councilman Clegg seconded  
the motion. Roll call vote: ayes - 7, nays - none.  
Motion carried.

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance No. 67-27 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and it carried. The Deputy City Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 67-27

GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 67-27  
Rezoning - Bouquet Shop

Attorney Tom McDonald spoke in favor of this proposed Ordinance, requesting that the Council suspend the rules and have the second reading in the same night. Mr. McDonald said the Bouquet Shop will go into this area and everything is pending on this rezoning. Councilman Johnson moved that the rules be suspended for this proposed Ordinance. Councilman Clegg seconded the motion. Councilman Harry Day said at this time that it is not often the Council suspends the rules, and he would have reason to expect that the Bouquet Shop maintain beauty on the outside of the shop, as they have in the past.

No one in the audience opposed this proposed Ordinance. Roll call vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - none. Motion carried - the rules were suspended.

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance No. 67-27 be advanced to second reading and be read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion and it carried. The Deputy City Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 67-27 by title only.

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance No. 67-27 be adopted. Councilman Clyde Day seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes - 7, nays - none. Motion carried.

Councilman Moulden moved that proposed Ordinance No. 67-28 be introduced and read by the Clerk. Councilman Clyde Day seconded the motion and it carried. The Deputy City Clerk read proposed Ordinance No. 67-28.

Ordinance No. 67-28  
Subdivision Control Ordinance (Revision)

Councilman Johnson moved that proposed Resolution No. 67-13 be approved. Councilman Clyde Day seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 67-13  
Transfer of Funds

Councilman Fee asked Mr. Howard Young if it was necessary to request permission to transfer funds each time from the Council. Councilman Fee asked Mr. Young to explore the possibilities of the Council giving Mr. Young a blanket approval for transfer of funds.

Because there were high school students in the audience, Councilman Johnson asked Councilman Fee to explain the procedures of a "Transfer of Funds" for the benefit of the students, which he did.

Mr. Reginald Ford spoke representing the Senior Class of Bloomington High School. Mr. Ford said there are approximately 447 students in the Senior Class and all but three of the students were in favor of a recreation center for all high school students in the Bloomington area. They proposed the site to be the site of Central Junior High School, but Mr. Ford reported that any site would be agreeable. It was also explained they wanted to know the channels they must go through in order to get favorable results on their petition.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

High School Students  
Petition

The Deputy City Clerk read the petition submitted by the students.

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High School Students Petition

Councilman Fee explained to the students the procedure to acquire the land of the Central Junior High School. Mr. Fee reported that because a school had been on the ground, to cease to use the land for a school, the school would have to declare it as "surplus". The land then would be appraised, and would then be sold at a public auction. The City, of course, would bid on it. From the City's standpoint, the lack of funds available to buy the land would be the major problem. Councilman Fee agreed with Mr. Ford 100% and he said he would, personally, like to see the old gym converted to a civic center. Councilman Fee said also, that if it would be a school system project, operated by a school staff, it could very well be possible and in that case, the City would cooperate 100%.

Mr. Mike Duff, speaking in favor of the recreation center, stated that the three students who opposed the recreation center were in favor of another Central Junior High School being built at the same site.

Mr. Ford stated to the Council that although the present Senior Class wouldn't be able to enjoy the facilities of a recreation center, these students would like for their children and children younger than themselves to be able to have a good and adequate center.

Councilman Harry Day pointed out that the site of Central Junior High was a historical site. Councilman Day asked if any thought had been given to the idea of preserving this area for educational institutions, as it had been in the past. He also suggested the possibility of having a community library at this location.

Miss Alice Dickman spoke saying that the reason for the idea of a recreation center at this time was because of the loss of Central Junior High. Miss Dickman felt it should be returned to students for historical purposes and it would be proper to return this land to students for good, wholesome recreation. Miss Dickman said a combination recreation-library facility would be a very good idea and the students were very much in favor of this.

Council President Faris suggested that the students continue promoting this idea; present the same ideas to the School Board, the Park and Recreation Board, other classes within the school, and classes at other schools. Councilman Faris suggested setting up speaking arrangements with service groups in the community, PTA groups, the parents of Rogers, Binford and Dyer schools. Councilman Faris referred this petition to the Municipal Growth Committee for further study.

Mayor Hooker commended the group for their outstanding leadership. The Mayor was very pleased with the group and very sympathetic to their problem. He also commended the group on their choice of the phrase "young people" rather than "teenagers". The Mayor said the Council and this administration have given a lot of thought to this particular problem. Mr. Femal and the Mayor share the feeling that there is a great need for a recreation center, especially for people who have just finished high school. The Mayor called on Mr. Femal, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department, to comment.

Mr. Femal said he had been aware for a long period of time of the need for better recreational facilities. The Advisory Committee for the Parks Board has tried to keep ahead in this area. These things have all been thought of -- some of the ideas are already in the final stages. Mr. Femal stressed the need to convince the people of the community of the need for recreation center. He said the bubble over Bryan Park with the indoor rink and pool would be a lot of help in the coming winter.

Councilman Clegg issued an invitation to the President of the Senior Class to attend the annual Parks and Recreation dinner Monday evening at 6:30 in the Club House at the Municipal Golf Course, and present the same petition at the dinner.

Howard Young invited the boys to become members of the Boys Club of America and enjoy the facilities there.

Councilman Clyde Day reported a request for street lights on West 7th and Elm Streets (three street lights). He made a motion that the Public Service Company be instructed to install such. Councilman Jounson seconded the motion and it carried.

None.

None.

None.

Mayor Hooker gave a brief report on the water program. The Mayor said we are drawing rapidly to a close of the water expansion and improvement program. The 23 miles of mains should be in service the first week of June. The three (3) storage tanks, which will increase the storing capacity by four and a half million gallons, are in the final stages of construction. The East tank is completely painted. We hope people have noticed it, although the paint was not intended to attract attention, but at the same time, the tanks should be identifiable. It is part of the program to add to the beauty and give attention to the little things as well as the big things. The tanks will have ground landscaping. The booster stations are drawing to a close on construction, and final work is being done. The only major work on all three is the installation of the standby chlorination equipment. It is hoped that they will be in service by June 1st. The Monroe Treatment Plant (the largest project in the total program) will still be completed in the month of July. Mayor Hooker encouraged everyone to take a drive down to the Moore's Creek ramp area and see the treatment plant. Mayor Hooker said the Intake Tower will be done within the scheduled time. It is located in the north area of Moore's Creek Park site. Another project soon to be completed is the Presedimentation Basin. This will enable us to get the high mud content at the source and deliver better quality of raw water to treat, with a smaller chemical cost.

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REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

MESSAGES FROM COUNCILMEN

MESSAGES FROM MAYOR

MESSAGES FROM MAYOR  
(continued)

This is greatly behind schedule, but it may be done by July. In addition, there is a low water service station to give greater capacity to bring water in. The Mayor said they hope to meet the total water needs of the community in the later summer and early fall, when the demands are great. The restoration of the property, private and public, is rapidly being completed. Curry Construction has about 95% of the restoration done and has done a very good job. The Mayor expressed the hope that the public hasn't been too inconvenienced by all the work being done but, as it has been pointed out previously, 23 miles of pipe can't be laid without some inconvenience. The City has tried to keep the inconvenience to a minimum.

In regard to Sanitation, the engineers are moving ahead and are finalizing plans on the sanitation program. There will be a more complete report at the June 1 meeting. There will be interesting developments at that time.

The other area Mayor Hooker mentioned was in regard to the recent industrial labor-management problem at Westinghouse Corporation and IBEW Local 2031. The Mayor pointed out that this was a very long dispute, one that had very serious possible consequences on the City of Bloomington. The City Council and the City Administration from the first day was very much concerned and was very much an active part in the total concern of getting the dispute resolved. Even though this facility is outside the corporation of Bloomington and even though a lot of the 600 employees live outside the corporation of Bloomington, the Common Council and the City Administration felt it was a legitimate concern. From the very first days of the dispute, the City was in direct contact with both parties. Many telephone conversations were held, locally, nationally and internationally. There was a group that was acting officially, but not publicly known. It was acting on behalf of the Common Council and the City Administration. This group of citizens was representative of the concern of the community. The Mayor had asked Danny Bynum to head the group. They met with groups and individuals to see if they could help in any possible way. The members were Dr. George Poolitsan; E. F. Kixmiller; Bob Wiles, Dave Albright; Don Hansen; Henry Boxman; J. Hurshel McCutchen; Skip Harrell; Danny Bynum; E. Tjardes; Gene Davis; John Mee; Mrs. Merle Hetherington, George Bloom. The Mayor commended and thanked members of IBEW Local 2031, the outstanding leadership of Mike Fagan, and Clark Frame and the Employees.

Councilman Harry Day made a motion that the Council, on behalf of the Community, express its gratitude to the management-labor group, the group lead by Mr. Bynum, and the Mayor for their efforts in successfully helping to settle this dispute. Mr. Clegg seconded the motion and it carried.


None

Councilman Clyde Day moved that claims presented for payment of May 18 be allowed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Moulden and it carried unanimously.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

Council President Faris moved for adjournment ADJOURNMENT  
at the hour of 8:50 p.m. E.S.T.

  
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Charles J. Faris, Council President

ATTEST:

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Marian Tardy, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 67-13

City Council  
Bloomington, Indiana

I hereby request the City Council to approve the investment of \$10,000.00 in U. S. Treasury Bills. The money would be from the Water Meter Fund and would mature in one (1) year.

*/s/ Howard A. Young*  
Howard A. Young, City Controller

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