

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building on Thursday, May 5, 1966, at the hour of seven thirty o'clock (7:30 P.M.) E.S.T. in regular session with Mayor John H. Hooker, Jr., presiding briefly when Charles J. Faris became President of the City Council and presided at the evening's meeting.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Hooker.

A roll call of the Councilmen was taken by the Clerk-Treasurer.

Members Present: Councilmen - C. Day, H. Day, Faris, Fee,
Johnson, Moulden

Mayor -----Hooker
City Engineer ----- Long
City Attorney -----Cotner

Members Absent: Councilman - Derge

Mayor Hooker stated Councilman Derge is on leave serving Indiana University and the Federal Government overseas.

Meeting opened with invocation by Rev. Robert Gingery, Minister of the First Methodist Church.

Mayor Hooker called Robert Clegg, Jr., appointed Councilman-at-large, and Ermal Byers, appointed Councilman of the Fourth District, to come forth at which time he administered the oath of office to both new Councilmen.

Councilman Johnson moved, seconded by Councilman H. Day, to nominate Charles J. "Bud" Faris, as President of the City Council.

Councilman H. Day moved, seconded by Councilman Fee, nominations be closed. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Charles J. "Bud" Faris was elected unanimously as President of the City Council, City of Bloomington, Indiana.

As Mayor Hooker handed the gavel to Councilman Faris he stated it was indeed a rare and unique occasion in the City of Bloomington this evening, as the Mayor has served as President of the City Council for well over 100 years. With the City moving into a second class City status, of course this changes the whole complexion and legislative methods of the government of the City.

Upon receiving the gavel, Councilman Faris made the following remarks: "Thank you, Gentlemen, for the honor of presiding over this City Council. I pledge to do my utmost to continue the excellent manner in which Mayor Hooker has presided over this City Council during the past two and one-half years." "Again, thank you."

Councilman H. Day moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, the minutes of the regular meeting of April 21st and the special meetings of April 27th and April 28th, be approved as published and distributed. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman C. Day, proposed Ordinance 66-13 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer by title only. Motion carried unanimously.

The Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-13 by title only.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, proposed Ordinance 66-13 be adopted. Upon a roll call vote the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, proposed Ordinance 66-14 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer by title only. Motion carried unanimously.

The Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-14 by title only.

Councilman Johnson moved, seconded by Councilman Clegg, proposed Ordinance 66-14 be adopted. Upon a roll call vote the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman H. Day, proposed Ordinance 66-15 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer by title only. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-15 by title only.

Councilman Johnson moved, seconded by Councilman Clegg, proposed Ordinance 66-15 be adopted. Upon a roll call vote the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman C. Day, proposed Ordinance 66-16 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer by title only. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-16 by title only.

Councilman Johnson moved, seconded by Councilman Clegg, proposed Ordinance 66-16 be adopted. Upon a roll call vote the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman C. Day, proposed Ordinance 66-17 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer by title only. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-17 by title only.

Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, proposed Ordinance 66-17 be adopted. Upon a roll call vote the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, proposed Ordinance 66-21 be presented for first reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

The Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-21.

Attorney Cotner stated the purpose for this proposed ordinance is to remove any activity or action by the Council from the time we were notified we had qualified for a second class City status and up to the present time.

Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman H. Day, rules and regulations of the Council be suspended in order to allow second reading of proposed Ordinance 66-21. Upon a roll call vote the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, proposed Ordinance 66-21 be advanced to second reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer by title only. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-21 by title only.

Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, proposed Ordinance 66-21 be adopted. Upon a roll call vote the motion was carried unanimously.

The following petition for voluntary annexation was received from Glen and Virginia Wampler.

May 5, 1966
Bloomington, Indiana

TO THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON
BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

GENTLEMEN:

The undersigned respectfully request that the following described real estate located in Monroe County, Indiana, be annexed to the City of Bloomington, Indiana, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the now existing corporation line, said point being the intersection of the west right of way line of Walker Street with the south right of way line of Third Street; thence West on and along the South right of way line of Third Street and the South right of way line of State Highway No. 48 to a point due South of a point on the South line of Section 32, Township 9 North, Range 1 West, which said point is 539.69 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Section 32; thence North 00 degrees 04 minutes West to a point 475 feet North of said South line of Section 32; thence North 88 degrees 51 minutes East 150 feet; thence South 00 degrees 04 minutes East to a point on the North right of way line of State Highway No. 48; thence East on and along said North right of way line of State Highway No. 48 and the North right of way line of Third Street to the now existing corporation line; thence continuing on and along said existing corporation line to the point of beginning.

Finally, the undersigned with due regard to your duly adopted rules, further respectfully requests that said rules be suspended and said proceeding in respect to this petition to your honorable body be acted upon in its entirety in your meeting of May 5, 1966.

S/ Glen Wampler
S/ Virginia Wampler

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman Fee, proposed Ordinance 66-22 be presented for first reading and read by the Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 66-22.

Assistant Engineer Clark explained this involved the Wampler Construction Company property on West Third Street.

Councilman Faris read the following letter of resignation from Howard A. Young.

May 5, 1966

City Council
City of Bloomington, Indiana

Gentlemen:

Please accept my resignation as Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, effective twelve o'clock (12:00 P.M.) midnight, May 31, 1966.

This is necessary as the City of Bloomington as of May 1st has become a Second Class City in the State of Indiana. As a Second Class City does not include a Clerk-Treasurer as an elected official, but requires a controller to be named by the Mayor, makes this letter necessary.

I wish to express to you and to the citizens of Bloomington my appreciation for the confidence placed in me by electing me Clerk-Treasurer in 1963, and the confidence placed in me by the Mayor when he appointed me City Controller.

I feel that this appointment as the first City Controller of the City of Bloomington is a great honor, and I assure you and the people of Bloomington, that I will do my very best to fulfill this obligation.

Very truly yours,

S/ Howard A. Young

Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, we accept with regret the resignation of Howard A. Young, Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

Monthly activity reports for the month of April were received from the several City Departments.

There was a question period between the members of the Council and Department Heads in regard to monthly reports.

Councilman Johnson moved, seconded by Councilman H. Day, the City Council of the City of Bloomington, herewith express its gratitude to Howard A. Young for the splendid service he has performed for the citizenry of Bloomington these last several months as City Clerk-Treasurer.

He has been a pleasant and cooperative associate and a dedicated public servant and for this we applaud you most warmly. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Howard A. Young thanked the Council very much for their words of encouragement and stated he assured them he would continue to serve them to the best of his ability.

Councilman H. Day pointed out the unsightly tree plots around the City and urged the citizens to do their utmost to correct this situation and make our City a more beautiful place in which to live.

Councilman Johnson asked Parks & Recreation Director J. T. Femal the schedule for the activities sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mr. Femal stated the pools would be open on May 28th, the golf course is open year round, and the parks were opened on April 15, 1966. The gardening program, baseball, tennis and other such activities would begin on Monday, June 13th.

Mayor Hooker stated it is planned by the City of Bloomington to have the much needed Water Expansion Program of 1965-67 in complete execution on all projects started by June 2nd.

Attorney Cotner stated we are now in the process of obtaining easement for the transmission lines in the various areas that will be effected by the lines necessary for the water improvement program. He stated all persons would be contacted within a very short time.

Councilman H. Day asked the status on the swimming pool, covered swimming pool in Bryan Park and the ice skating rink.

Mayor Hooker stated plans and specifications are being finalized by the architects assigned by the City of Bloomington and they should have them ready for delivery to interested contractors by the middle of next week. He further stated the Board of Works plans to have bid openings on all three of these projects on May 19th.

Councilman H. Day recognized Mrs. Hooker, wife of our Mayor, who was in attendance this evening.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman Johnson, claims presented for payment on May 5th and May 6th be allowed. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rotha Sims a member of the B & S Disposal Company who has the garbage contract with the City stated the trash containers are very unsightly and asked the citizens to take more pride in the way they place their trash for collection.

Councilman Farris stated there was an ordinance in study on this subject which would be forthcoming.

Maude Bryan stated she has some dead branches on the two trees on her tree plot which she has tried several times to have removed. She stated this was a dangerous situation and some citizen might be hurt by a falling branch. She also stated there was a hole in the street

on the corner of Eighth Street and Walnut Street, which is in the left hand lane of traffic on Walnut Street.

Mayor Hooker stated Street Commissioner Sargent would investigate this condition on the corner of Eighth and Walnut Street, and if it is found to be a hole in the hard surface and it is found to be the responsibility of the State Highway Department, Mr. Sargent would notify them; however, if it is the obligation of the City we would correct this condition.

Secondly, it is the responsibility of the property owners for the care and maintenance of their tree plots although it is on public rights-of-way. However, if it is in the interest and safety of the public, we will make an investigation of these trees.

Mayor Hooker stated he would like to have the Council recognize two city employees, Utilities Director, Mrs. Alberta Deckard and a long time member of the Water Office, Mrs. Wade (Berniece) Whaley, who were in attendance for this session of Council this evening.

Mayor Hooker further stated while we are celebrating making the transition from a Third Class City to a Second Class City, the Council did last evening commend and even presented an official pin that we do have a first class secretary in the Mayor's office, Mrs. John T. (Naomi) Stapleton.

Clerk-Treasurer Young introduced his two sisters, Mrs. Edna Greene and Mrs. Florence Stidd.

Councilman Johnson moved, no further business to come before the City Council, meeting adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at the hour of eight forty o'clock (8:40 P.M.) E.S.T.


RESIDENT CITY COUNCIL

ATTEST:


CLERK-TREASURER