

REGULAR MEETING

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chambers in the City Municipal Building on Thursday, August 20, 1964, 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.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Hooker.

Meeting opened with invocation by Councilman Johnson.

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

Also Present: Mayor - Hooker
Engineer - Long
Attorney - Cotner

Members Absent: Councilman - C. Day

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

Councilman Faris moved, seconded by Councilman Fee, that minutes of the Council Meeting held on August 6, 1964, be approved as distributed and read individually. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Faris asked that the Clerk-Treasurer be instructed to read the petition received from Allen and Margaret Markham which was received at the August 6, 1964 Meeting.

Clerk-Treasurer read the petition in its entirety.

Councilman Faris moved, seconded by Councilman Moulden, that the City Attorney be instructed not to oppose the vacation of said street and alley. Motion carried unanimously.

The following citizens voiced verbal opinion regarding the one way proposed traffic pattern on Atwater Avenue going east. They felt that Atwater Avenue was not properly constructed for this greatly increased amount of traffic because of the narrowness and because of the high crown of the street and there was concern about where they would park; and the local public transportation company was concerned because it would drastically change their bus route.

Dr. Linton, Mr. Tom Evans, Mr. John Seeber, Mr. Henry Williams,
Mr. William Bundy, Mr. Claude Bartlett, Mr. Paul Hedrick, Mr.
Marshall Summitt, Mr. Morris Binkley and Mr. Robert Sommers.

Mayor Hooker stated that the problem referred to this evening has been a serious problem in the City of Bloomington for many years. He further stated we are in an age of golden opportunity - an age of change - we will have to change our habits and change our thinking. We feel that a great deal of discussion has taken place in Bloomington, but the problem is now and it is time to take action, not wait until the government comes in and makes a thoroughfare of Third Street. I think it will be best for us to make a 90 day experiment and if it does not work, we will try another solution to the traffic problem.

Councilman Harry Day asked Mayor Hooker to outline the proposed traffic schedule for the interested persons in the audience.

Mayor Hooker outlined the entire proposal to the audience.

Mr. John Snyder, a member of the radio station, asked Mayor Hooker if there would be any street improvements made on Atwater Avenue if this program proved successful.

Mayor Hooker stated there would be street improvements made immediately if this program proved successful.

City Attorney Cotner stated that this is not just a trail and error thing, it is a calculated problem - it is not a shot in the dark, it has been given many hours of investigation and study.

Mayor Hooker recognized a Boy Scout from the Baptist Church Troupe, who was working on his life medal, and had attended the Council meeting as part of his project.

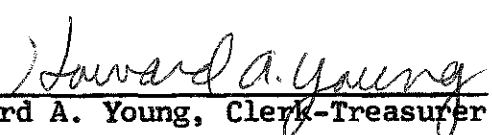
Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman Moulden, that claims presented for payment on August 21, 1964, be allowed. Motion carried unanimously.

No further business to come before the Common Council, Mayor Hooker moved the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at the hour of nine fifteen o'clock (9:15 P.M.) E.S.T.



John H. Hooker, Jr., Presiding Officer



Howard A. Young, Clerk-Treasurer