

REGULAR MEETING

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building on Thursday, September 17, 1964, at the hour of seven thirty o'clock (7:30 P.M.) in regular session with Mayor John H. Hooker, Jr. presiding.

Meeting called to order by Mayor John H. Hooker, Jr.

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

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

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

Members Absent: Councilman - Johnson

Meeting opened with invocation by Councilman Harry Day.

Councilman Fee corrected the previous minutes as follows - last paragraph, page 1, change Indiana 64 to Interstate 64.

Councilman Faris moved, seconded by Councilman Moulden, that minutes of the previous Council Meeting, September 3, 1964, be approved as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer presented proposed Ordinance 64-20 for second reading.

Councilman Fee moved, seconded by Councilman Harry Day, that proposed Ordinance 64-20 be advanced to second reading and read by title only.

Clerk-Treasurer read proposed Ordinance 64-20 by title only.

Councilman Harry Day moved, that proposed Ordinance 64-20 be held until next meeting for report from Councilman Johnson's committee. There was no second to the motion, therefore, Councilman Harry Day withdrew his motion.

Mrs. Koontz and Mrs. Williams, both mothers of school age children, asked if it would please be possible to have a Crossing Guard placed at the corner of First and Hawthorne, they stated that had taken this problem before the Traffic Commission, but have not received a satisfactory reply.

Councilman Faris, and Col. Thrasher, both members of the Traffic Commission, stated that the Traffic Commission has not taken final action on this request.

Mayor Hooker asked Col. Thrasher if he would please see about the Lions Club blinker being placed at this intersection.

Mayor Hooker stated we would see if some different adjustments could be made and have something done about this situation before the next Council meeting.

Miss Judy White, presented a map concerning the new experimental traffic change for Third Street, with a few suggested proposals for a better traffic pattern.

Mayor Hooker stated this map would be turned over to the Traffic Commission for further study.

Col. Thrasher, informed the Council, there had been a 30 minute check made at the intersection of Third and Dunn Street, and in the 30 minute period, 123 cars passed through the intersection going south on Dunn and 595 cars went through the intersection traveling in all directions.

Mrs. White asked if there had been a traffic count taken on 10th Street, and also complained about the parking situation on East 8th Street. She stated that Mr. Don Collier had apartment-houses along here and had not provided off street parking for the renters, making a difficult situation for the residents living along the street. She further stated that he, Mr. Collier, was supposed to provide off street parking for the renters.

Mayor Hooker stated that Mr. Long, City Engineer, would look over the plans to see if sufficient parking was provided in the original plans presented to the Engineering Department.

City Attorney Cotner stated if he had filed in fault, then the next step would be to take court action.

Councilman Harry Day stated that in observing the traffic on Third Street, the speed between Ballantine and Indiana has been quite in excess of the 30 mile speed zone.

Col. Thrasher, of the Police Department, stated that quite a number of cars have been stopped and most of the drivers are unaware that they are traveling this fast, because getting through the traffic is so easy.

Margaret Torphy, a citizen, wanted to know when the "stop - crosswalk" signs had been removed from Third Street.

Mayor Hooker stated the signs were removed on January 2, 1964.

There was a discussion between the Council and the citizens represented in the audience concerning traffic and traffic violations within the City of Bloomington.

Mayor Hooker asked Col. Thrasher, to give a statistical report of traffic accidents for the first seven months of this year compared to the same period of time last year.

Col. Thrasher stated there were 68 fewer accidents this year compared to the same period of time last year.

Councilman Faris stated he had several calls at home concerning the dust mill located on South Henderson Street, about the dust created and the people living in the area could hardly breath for all the dust from the mill.

Attorney Cotner stated that when he was Prosecuting Attorney, this same condition existed and there was nothing the City could do because the mill was in the County, but the people as property owners had the privilege of filing a nuisance complaint against the mill and then it was possible for the City to take action.

Dr. R. E. Cook, Health Officer, stated he had not talked to the individuals as of this date, because he wanted to consult with Mr. Cotner first, but assured the Council he would start calling the individuals tomorrow.

Councilman Fee gave a report he had from the Bryan Park Swimming Pool for the days of September 8 and September 9. On September 8 at 5:45 P.M. they had had approximately 512 people in attendance and on September 9 they had about the same number of persons in the pool.

Councilman Harry Day asked for a comment from Dr. Cook concerning the report received from the Health Department in August, in regard to weeds, garbage and particularly outside toilets. Councilman Day stated he thought outside toilets were banned.

Dr. Cook stated that the ordinance said that they were to be gotten rid of, by March 5, 1963, provided they were full or overflowing for both outside toilets and septic tanks, or pollute the ground or air around them, but it was a hard thing to do to ask some people who did not have the money to connect with the City sewer, and when it would be questionable as to the capacity of their toilet. Also, there were several places where a hook-on to the City sewer was not available.

Dr. Cook further stated they had kept a man busy cutting the weeds, and the seven garbage complaints he had was mostly about the way the garbage and trash was wrapped and put out rather than the garbage collection.

Councilman Harry Day commended the Sunoco Service Station for adding to the appearance of the City by having a nice clean station and also for the flowers around the station to add to the beauty of the City.

Councilman Derge asked about the possibility of taking a special census of the City of Bloomington for the purpose of becoming a second class city. In his opinion, the special census would show that Bloomington is now a second class city, because he believes there are over 35,000 residents of the City.

From the suggestion of Councilman Harry Day, a committee was formed to make a study concerning the possibility of Bloomington becoming a second class City. He suggested that Councilman Derge and his Committee be assigned to this project, and in turn, Councilman Derge accepted, provided that Councilman Harry Day would work with them in obtaining the statistical information needed.

Councilman Moulden asked if City Attorney Cotner had any more information concerning the annexation problem, which is being help up in court.

Attorney Cotner stated he would be happy to set a date as quickly as possible and perhaps some time in late January or February we would have a date set for the hearing.

Mayor Hooker reported that the Monroe County Tax Review Board adjourned a little after eleven o'clock (11:00 P.M.) Wednesday evening, after being in session since Monday, reviewing all of the 1964 Budgets. He reported that the City of Bloomington was cut in only one area and everything else was accepted. The area which was cut was \$3,000.00 from the Park and Recreation Budget. They recommended that the \$3,000.00 cut be in the item under capital improvement for the construction of the tennis courts.

Councilman Faris moved, seconded by Councilman Fee, that the report given by the Mayor, concerning the City of Bloomington Budgets as acted upon by the Monroe County Tax Review Board, be received and made a matter of record. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Hooker reported that this afternoon at the Board of Public Works & Safety Meeting, two bids were received for the renovation and improvement of the Third Street Park Pool. He further stated there had been an estimated \$25,000.00 for the work of the pool made by an engineering firm employed by the Park and Recreation Department and the authorization of a \$35,000.00 bond issue had been set aside for this repair, but the lowest of the two bids received was twice the amount of the estimated work, so the bids were rejected and we will have to make another study of this situation.

Wampler Construction Co.	\$49,950.00
Add - Alt. #1	1,200.00
Curry Construction Co.	\$53,200.00
Add - Alt. #1	1,400.00

Mayor Hooker reported that Congressman, William G. Bray, was bringing the flag from Washington, D.C. to Bloomington, which we requested.

Mayor Hooker stated that we have redesigned our flag pole, we will have two subordinate poles on either side of the main flag pole, flying the official state flage and the official flag of the University. He also stated we would fly the flag twenty-four hours a day, as it is legal as long as it is for patriotic reasons, provided it is not inclement weather.

Mabel Hornocker, stated that there are storm flags which may be raised during inclement weather, a storm flag being a smaller flag.

Mayor Hooker stated he was scheduled to fly to Kansas City, Monday, September 21, 1964, to consult with the Engineering Firm, Black & Veatch.

Councilman Moulden moved, seconded by Councilman Derge, that claims presented for payment on September 18, 1964, be allowed. Motion carried unanimously.

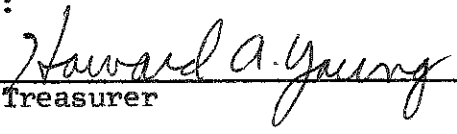
No further business to come before the Common Council, Councilman Faris moved meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at nine twenty-five o'clock (9:25 P.M.) E.S.T.



Presiding Officer

ATTEST:



Clerk-Treasurer