March 21, 1961

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chambers in City Hall, at the hour of six thirty o'clock (6:30 P.M. C.S.T.) on Tuesday, March 21, 1961, in regular session with Mayor Thos. L. Lemon presiding.

Members present. Sikes, Peace, Chitwood, Faucett, Hickman, and Shertzer, and Graves.

Members absent: None.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Councilman Graves.

Councilman Peace moved, seconded by Councilman Faucett that the minutes of the last regular meeting of March 7, 1961 be approved as submitted to each individual councilman; motion unanimously carried.

The following letter was received from Bloomington Newspapers, Inc.:

March 1, 1961

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Bloomington Bloomington, Indiana

Gentlemen:

As you know, we are completing our new building outside of Bloomington, and it is our desire to become annexed to the city. We would, therefore, respectfully request that we beannexed, and we enclose herewith a description of the lands which we own and for which we ask annexation.

Very truly yours, BLOOMINGTON NEWSPAPERS, INC. By S/ Bruce B. Temple, Secretary

A part of the South half of the Northwest quarter of Section 9, Township 8 North, Range 1 West, beginning at a point that is 588.28 feet East and 717.78 feet South of the Northwest corner of the said South half of the Northwest quarter and at the intersection of the South property line of the J. Mason Hoadley Stone Company real estate and the East right-of-way line of the C. I. & I. (Monon) Railroad, thence running South 1 degree 21 minutes West and over and along the said East right-of-way line of said Monon Railroad for a distance of 389.2 feet, thence running South 88 degrees 30 minutes East for a distance of 709 feet and to the center line of State Highway Number 37, thence running North 13 degrees 19 minutes West and over and along the center line of said State Highway Number 37 for a distance of 400 feet, thence running North 88 degrees 30 minutes West for a distance of 594 feet and to the place of beginning. Containing in all five and eighty-three hundredths (5.83) acres, more or less.

Councilman Sikes moved, seconded by Hickman that the petition be referred to the Ordinance Committee of the Common Council; motion unanimously carried.

Councilman Peace mountain read the following letter and requested that it be placed on file:

March 11, 1961

Mr. Norbert Peace, City Councilman 402 South Euclid Street Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Norbert:

We are vitally interested in a proper building code for new construction or additions to residences in the City of Bloomington, Monroe County. Good construction practices are beneficial to both the owner and the mortgagee.

We would suggest the Council adopt as a standard for construction of buildings, the construction requirements as set out by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) in their minamum property standards. Miscellaneous equipment requirements could be eliminated.

For other than dwellings or in case FHA requirements do not set a specific code, we suggest the Administrative Building Council Code be adopted. Mr. Bert Westover, new State Office Building, Indianapolis is the Administrator and we are quite sure he will assist the Council in the adoption of a good code.

We do not believe restrictions should be placed on the building trades other than compliance with good construction and safety standards.

Respectfully yours,

Robert W. Fee

RWF:b

Councilman Chitwood moved, seconded by Councilman Graves that the claims presented for payment March 22, 1961 be allowed as submitted; motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer