

REGULAR MEETING

July 19, 1960

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chambers in City Hall, on Tuesday, July 19, 1960, at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock (7:30 P.M. D.S.T.) in regular session with Mayor Thos. L. Lemon presiding.

Members present: Sikes, Chitwood, Peace, Graves, Faucett, Hickman, and Marxson.

Members absnet: None.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Councilman Graves.

Councilman Sikes moved, seconded by Councilman Graves that the minutes of the last regular meeting of July 5, 1960 be approved with the following correction; Paragraph 2 "be referred to the City Building and Property Committee" should read "be referred to the Public Safety Committæ"; motion unanimously carried.

James Ferguson, attorney representing Doran May petitioned the Council to amend 15-11 of the City Code. After lengthy discussion Councilman Sikes moved, seconded by Councilman Graves that this petition be referred to the Ordinance Committee of the Common Council for study and report at next Council meeting if possible; and while the Council is studying this matter for the next two weeks Mr. May's attorney agreed that should the ordinance not be changed Mr. May would pay the \$5.00 per day license fee starting July 20, 1960; motion unanimously carried.

Councilman Peace presented the following report from the City Building and Property Committee and moved that this report be accepted and approved by the Common Council; motion unanimously carried:

Report to Council
From City Building and Property Committee; July 19, 1960

Regarding:

Petition by Attorney David Rogers on behalf of his client, Ed Greene, to vacate a part of Ritter St. between W. Eighth St. and Vernal Pike.

Committee agrees that City should not oppose suit to vacate Ritter St. from W. Eighth St. to Vernal Pike, provided:

1. Petitioner, Ed. Greene, agrees to transfer to City of Bloomington a clear title to the following described real estate; A part of lot number 101 in Waterman's Addition to the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Lot, 110 feet East of the Southwest corner thereof; thence running North to the South Right-of-Way line of the Vernal Pike; thence running in a southeasterly direction on the said right-of-way line of said Vernal Pike to the Southeast corner of said lot; thence West on the South line of said lot, 184 feet more or less, to the point of beginning.

2. Title to that portion of Ritter St. south of the boundary of the Ed. Greene Junk Yard and extending south to W. Eighth St. be equally divided and transferred to owners of adjoining lands and added to the tax rolls of the City of Bloomington.

This Committee believes that if all these things are accomplished, the vacation of this part of this street will benefit the general public and will in no way restrict the progress or future growth of the City.

Signed, James R. Faucett
Leo E. Hickman
Norbert S. Peace, Chairman
City Building & Property Comm.

Councilman Peace presented the following City Building & Property Committee report and moved the Common Council accept and approve this report but that it be amended according to the petition filed in Circuit Court as to the location of the alley to be vacated; motion unanimously carried:

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Report to Council,
From City Building and Property Committee; July 19, 1960.
Regarding:

Petition by Attorney David Rogers, on behalf of Mrs. Leona Ridge, to vacate an alley between W. Allen St. and W. Dixie St., extending west from So. Fairview St. to the Illinois Central Railroad.

This committee has studied the area described and finds that said alley has never been used as such. That it dead-ends at a railroad. That due to the topography of the land there is no foreseeable use as an alley and we agree that it would be in the best public interest to close same.

Therefore the committee suggests to other members of the Council that the City not oppose suit for vacation of this alley.

Signed, James R. Faucett
Leo E. Hickman
Norbert S. Peace, Chairman
City Building & Property Comm.

Councilman Peace presented the following report from the Public Safety Committee and moved that Items No. 1, 2, and 5 be accepted and approved by the Common Council and that the traffic schedule of the traffic ordinance be amended accordingly; motion unanimously carried:

Report to Council,
From City Public Safety Committee; July 19, 1960

The following traffic surveys have been approved by the Traffic Commission and are hereby submitted to the Common Council for consideration and action.

1. Recommends that parking be eliminated on S. Rogers St. from Second St. south to the first railroad crossing and that this section of the street be marked with three traffic lanes. The west lane shall be for southbound traffic. The center lane shall be marked with arrows to indicate 'Left Turn Only'. The east lane shall be marked with arrows indicating straight through or right turn traffic.

2. Recommends that parking be eliminated on North Adams St. from W. Kirkwood to West Eleventh St. Both sides.

3. No committee action has been taken as yet regarding a petition by Mr. John Bergen, 403 So. Jordan, to make Atwater Ave. a one-way street between Jordan and Mitchell. This will require more detailed study since the new I. U. Parking lot at the corner of Atwater and Swain has been put into operation.

Mr. Bergen also petitioned that parking be eliminated on the north side of Atwater between Jordan and Mitchell. Assured by representatives of the District Traffic Committee that there were no objections, Chief Huntington ordered parking prohibited on the north side of Atwater from Jordan to Swain, for 90 days, during which period a more intensive study of site can be made.

4. Regarding W. Dodds St. between Rogers and Morton Sts. and recommendations.

It has been impossible ~~ix~~ up to this time for this committee to study this report and act because of the RCA vacation period. RCA traffic is directly involved. A report will be submitted to the Council at the next meeting on Aug. 2.

5. At the Feb. 9, 1960 meeting of the Bloomington Traffic the following recommendation was adopted and referred to the Council.

"Recommends that parking be eliminated on the north side of Second St. east of Euclid for a distance (to the first alley at top of hill) to allow clear visibility when turning on to Second from Euclid.

Requests that the Council send a resolution to the State Highway Dept. for permission to carry out this recommendation."

Due to an error this recommendation was not acted on. The recommendation was approved by this committee.

Therefore it is now being submitted for consideration and action.

Signed Hilbert Graves David Chitwood
Enoch Marxson Norbert Peace, Ch.
Public Safety Committee.

Councilman Peace reported that the Committee die not have a recommend-
ation to make at this time on Item No. 3.

Mr. Mayor Maloney requested that during the 90 day temporary no-parking
ban on the north side of Atwater Avenue between Jordan and Swain, a
re-survey and re-study be made before permanent regulations are adopted.

Mayor Lemon read the following letter from George F. Bloom, Real Estate
Manager of Indiana University:

Honorable Thomas L. Lemon
Mayor of the City of Bloomington
Bloomington, Indiana

July 19, 1960

Dear Mayor Lemon:

Due to the confusion and misunderstanding in regard to the traffic
pattern and parking in the Atwater-Swain area, the University withdraws
the requests recently made to the Traffic Commission and will
cooperate with any plan to improve the traffic flow and safety in this
area.


Sincerely yours,

George F. Bloom
Real Estate Manager
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Councilman Graves moved, seconded by Councilman Peace that the question
of parking and marking on Atwater Ave. between Jordan and Swain be
referred to the Public Safety Committee for further study and report;
motion unanimously carried.
No recommendation was made on Item No. 4.

Councilman Chitwood moved, seconded by Councilman Hickman that the
claims presented for payment July 20, 1960 be approved as present;
motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned.


Presiding Officer

ATTEST:


Clerk - Treasurer

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