

September 2, 1958

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chambers in City Hall, on Tuesday, September 2, 1958, at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock (7:30 P.M. I.S.T.) in regular session with Mayor Thos. L. Lemon presiding.

Members present: Graves, Chitwood, Griffith, Sikes, Miller, Simpson, and Van Meter.

Members absent: None.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Reverend Robert Hazen of the First Church of God.

Councilman Graves moved, seconded by Councilman Simpson that the minutes of the last regular meeting of August 19, 1958 and special meeting of August 25, 1958 be approved as submitted to each councilman; motion unanimously carried.

Councilman Sikes moved, seconded by Councilman Griffith that Ordinances No. 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, 1958 be advanced to second reading by title only. Upon a roll call vote the motion was unanimously carried.

After second reading of Ordinance No. 18, 1958 by title only by the Clerk-Treasurer, Councilman Sikes moved, seconded by Councilman Graves that Ordinance No. 18, 1958 be duly adopted. Upon a roll call vote Ordinance No. 18, 1958 was unanimously adopted.

After second reading of Ordinance No. 19, 1958 by title only by the Clerk-Treasurer, Councilman Graves moved, seconded by Councilman Chitwood that Ordinance No. 19, 1958 be duly adopted. Upon a roll-call vote Ordinance No. 19, 1958 was unanimously adopted.

After second reading of Ordinance No. 20, 1958 by title only by the Clerk-Treasurer, Councilman Griffith moved, seconded by Councilman Sikes that Ordinance No. 20, 1958 be amended by striking out at the end of the fourth rhetorical paragraph thereof the period and by adding thereto the words "all times herein be legal time of the State of Indiana"; motion unanimously carried. Councilman Graves moved, seconded by Councilman Simpson that Ordinance No. 20, 1958 be duly adopted as amended. Upon a roll call vote Ordinance No. 20, 1958 was unanimously adopted.

After second reading of Ordinance No. 21, 1958 by title only by the Clerk-Treasurer, Councilman Simpson moved, seconded by Councilman Miller, that Ordinance No. 21, 1958 be duly adopted. Upon a roll call vote Ordinance No. 21, 1958 was unanimously adopted.

After second reading of Ordinance No. 22, 1958 by title only by the Clerk-Treasurer, Councilman Graves moved, seconded by Councilman Simpson, that Ordinance No. 22, 1958 be duly adopted. Upon a roll call vote Ordinance No. 22, 1958 was unanimously adopted.

After second reading of Ordinance No. 23, 1958 by title only by the Clerk-Treasurer, Councilman Graves moved, seconded by Councilman Chitwood that Ordinance No. 23, 1958 be duly adopted. Upon a roll call vote Ordinance No. 23, 1958 was unanimously adopted.

Councilman Sikes presented Ordinance No. 24, 1958 for first reading by the Clerk-Treasurer.

The following petitions were read by the Clerk-Treasurer:

We, the undersigned, being property owners in and residents of Bloomington, request the Mayor and Councilmen to take the necessary steps to remove a public nuisance causing property damage, personal discomfort and danger to public health.

The nuisance of which we complain is caused by the indiscriminate incineration of garbage and refuse, the improper storage of trash for collection and the inadequate facilities for the protection of our health and property.

This public nuisance emanates from the incinerator located on Forrest Avenue between 13th and 14th Streets, which is used to incinerate

garbage and refuse at all times of the day and night. The building in which the incinerator is located is not screened, and it is kept open throughout the day and night, resulting in swarms of insects multiplying in the vicinity and spreading around the neighborhood constituting a menace to public health as well as causing great personal discomfort. Within the incinerator building are located several refuse cans in which trash is deposited and taken away only once or twice a week. These cans remain uncovered all the time which further contributes to the breeding of insects which adds to the public health danger and the inconvenience of the residents.

Furthermore, the burning of the incinerator causes a thick, heavy, sooty smoke to pour from the low chimney of the building and envelope the surrounding homes in a foul odor at various times throughout the day and night. This odorous smoke is frequently so offensive as to interfere with the normal family life of the residents, interrupting sleep or meals depending upon the time of day. Much of this part of the nuisance could be eliminated by making the facilities adequate for giving off the smoke, that is, by adding twenty or twenty-five feet to the chimney. This would lift the smoke above the adjacent houses where the prevailing winds could carry it off and dissipate it.

This public nuisance not only endangers public health and seriously disrupts family life, it also detracts from the aesthetic and physical value of our property, thereby resulting in substantial potential financial loss to the undersigned.

We hereby petition the Mayor and Councilmen to consider this situation and take action to correct it as soon as possible.

S/ J. E. Hallagan, 919 E. 13th

S/ Lma Hallagan

Paul Goodman

S/ Velma Goodman

Kora S. Skirvin

S. R. Christy

Frank P. Hallagan

S/ Patricia M. Hallagan

S/ Wm. Ralph Snapp

S/ Mildred Snapp

S/ Phillip E. Bales

S/ Howard Deekard 918 E. 13th

S/ Gayle Deekard

S/ Venetia M. Allgood, 910 E. 13th

S/ Lee M. Allgood, 910 E. 13th

S/ Juliana Johne

S/ John Quillen, 905 E. 14th

S/ Audrey Quillen, 905 E. 14th

S/ Virginia E. Dixon, 915 E. 13th

S/ Robert Dixon, 915 E. 13th

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We, the undersigned, being property owners in and of Bloomington, invite the attention of the Mayor and Councilmen to the existence of a public nuisance which is causing ~~maintain~~ serious damage to our health and peace of mind. We request the Mayor and Councilmen to take the necessary measures to abate this nuisance.

The cause of this public nuisance is a large group of dogs quartered and maintained for unknown purposes in a building located at 13th Street and Forest Avenue, whose loud barking continuously shatters the quiet of the neighborhood at all hours of the day and night.

The health of the residents of this neighborhood has physically been affected because of the barking in the early morning hours which has disrupted sleep and rest. Health has further been adversely affected by the nervous strain and irritation produced by the persistent wailing and howling of the animals throughout the day and night. The noise also threatens the health of those residents who work nights and whose daytime rest is interrupted or prevented by this public nuisance.

We feel that this nuisance constitutes an invasion of the privacy of our homes and creates such discomfort and tension as to interfere with our peace of mind and the enjoyment of our family life.

Therefore, we, the undersigned, request that the Mayor and Councilmen of Bloomington bring an end to this nuisance as soon as possible.

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S/ J. E. Hallagan, 919 E. 13th St.
S/ Anne E. Hallagan
S/ Frank P. Hallagan, 908 E. 14th
S/ Paul Goodman
S/ Velma Goodman
S/ Juliana Gbhee
S/ Robert Dixon, 915 E. 13th
S/ Virginia L. Dixon, 915 E. 13th

S/ Howard Beckard, 913 E. 13th
S/ Gayle Beckard
S/ Venetia E. Allgood, 910 E. 13th
S/ Lee E. Allgood
S/ Patricia M. Hallagan
S/ Wm. Ralph Knapp
S/ Mildred Knapp

Councilman Simpson moved, seconded by Councilman Miller that the two problems as presented in the above petitions on Indiana University property be referred to the Health Department to confer with Indiana University authorities until these problems are taken care of; motion unanimously carried.

A petition to cut a curb from Ferrell Bedwell, 1116 South Rogers was read by the Clerk-Treasurer. Councilman Simpson moved, seconded by Councilman Miller that this petition be approved and that the work be done under the supervision of the City Engineer; motion unanimously carried.


A petition to cut a curb from John L. Summerville, 329 South Woodlawn, was approved upon motion by Councilman Simpson, seconded by Councilman Van Meter, with the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer; motion unanimously carried.

Councilman Simpson presented an oral petition from the Harlos Construction Company to cut two thirty foot curbs on the west side of South Walnut Street directly south of First Street. Councilman Simpson moved, seconded by Councilman Miller that the petition be approved and the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer after permission has been granted by the State Highway Department; motion unanimously carried.

Monthly reports from the Plumbing Inspector, Fire Department, Water Department, and Sanitation Department were received and placed on file.

Councilman Chitwood moved, seconded by Councilman Graves that the claims presented for payment September 3, 1958 be approved as submitted; motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned.



President

APPROVE:



Clerk-Treasurer