

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 17, 1956

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chamber in City Hall, on Tuesday, January 17, 1956 at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock (7:30 P.M.) in regular session, with Mayor Lemon presiding. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Richard E. Hamilton.

Members present: Cook, Chitwood, Engleman, Miller, Simpson, and Van Meter

Members absent: Sikes

The minutes of the last meeting were approved on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Chitwood.

Councilman Simpson introduced an Ordinance authorizing the sale of the buildings from the site of the new parking lot at Seventh and Walnut Streets. After first reading, Ordinance No. 2, 1956, was passed to second reading as provided by the Rules of the Council on motion of Councilman Van Meter, seconded by Councilman Miller, passed unanimously on a roll-call vote. After second reading in full on motion of Councilman Van Meter, seconded by Councilman Miller, passed unanimously on a roll-call vote, Ordinance No. 2, 1956, was declared duly adopted.

Councilman Cook moved that the Council temporarily rescind the action taken December 20, 1955, making Walnut Street one-way north from Second to the "Y" intersection with College Avenue and College Avenue one-way south from the "Y" intersection with Walnut Street to Second Street and make this change a matter for further study by the new Traffic Commission, the latter Commission to report their recommendations on this subject within 60 days from date and the matter to be discussed in a City Council meeting nearest this date of report and to notify the State Highway Department at once to withhold any action on this matter until further notice from the City. Councilman Engleman seconded motion; motion carried.

Councilman Engleman presented a petition from citizens residing near the intersection of East Fourth Street and Hillsdale Drive requesting a street light at this intersection. On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Chitwood, the petition was referred to the Committee on City Utilities for investigation and report at the next meeting.

City Attorney Baker reported the application for taxi cab license submitted by Harry Cecil McNeely was found to be in order. On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Simpson, the application for license was approved.

R. E. Cardwell, Superintendent of Rosehill Cemetery, submitted a report on the cost of grave openings, pointing out that the City expends \$43.75 in labor for which they receive \$30. He requested the Council consider the advisability of increasing the amount charged for this service. On motion of Councilman Chitwood, seconded by Councilman Miller, the question of increasing the cost of opening and closing graves from \$30 to \$40 was referred to the City Buildings and Property Committee for recommendation at the next meeting.

A reply from the State Police Department regarding the Council's request for a State Patrolman to help with traffic control at Bloomington High School was reported to the Council. They advised the Department does not have sufficient man power to do this type of duty but they will be glad to cooperate in expediting the installation of the traffic control light which has been authorized for the First and Walnut Street intersection.

On motion of Councilman Cook, seconded by Councilman Van Meter, the Council approved claims filed for payment on January 18 and 31 as approved by the Board of Public Works and Safety.

Mayor Lemon asked the Council for an expression on the addition to the meeting of an opening prayer and whether it met with their approval. Councilman Miller expressed his approval and congratulated the Mayor on this action.

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On motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

John F. Lemra
Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Ethel J. Leavitt
Clerk-Treasurer