

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, May 15, 1956

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chamber in City Hall, on Tuesday, May 15, 1956, at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock (7:30 P.M. DST) in regular session, with Mayor Lemon presiding. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Robert Sachs.

Members present: Cook, Engelman, Miller and Van Meter.

Members absent: Sikes, Simpson, and Chitwood.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Clerk-Treasurer. Councilman Miller moved that the minutes be approved as read. Councilman Van Meter seconded the motion and upon vote the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Miller after second reading of Ordinance No. 12, 1956, moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Meter and upon roll-call vote Ordinance No. 12, 1956, was unanimously adopted by the vote of the Common Council. Ordinance No. 12, 1956, attached to these minutes.

Ordinance No. 13, 1956 was introduced by Councilman Miller and given first reading.

Mayor Lemon introduced Miss Wang, a visitor from Formosa. She is visiting this country to discuss common problems with women's organizations such as the League of Women Voters, social workers, and business and professional groups. She is a member of the Nationalist Chinese Congress, and is active in the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Congress.

A Mr. Jess Ball petitioned the Common Council for permission to move a house from one location to another location over city streets of the City of Bloomington. He proposed to move the house on a lowboy conveyor truck. After discussion, Councilman Miller introduced Resolution No. 3 as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3

BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Jess Ball be permitted to move a house over the streets of the City of Bloomington.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Jess Ball promise to indemnify damages which may be incurred in the moving of the house, and will pay to the City of Bloomington any damages which may be done to any property of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, including any damages to the street, curbs or sidewalks of said city and that the said Mr. Jess Ball file in the Clerk's office a Surety Bond guaranteeing performance in the manner above in the sum of \$1000.00 with said Mr. Jess Ball as Principal thereon and with some Surety Company approved by the City of Bloomington as Surety thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the moving of the house above referred to shall be accomplished with four (4) days from the time such moving is commenced until the moving is finished and that the moving of said house will not be later than June 1, 1956.

Councilman Miller moved that Resolution No. 3 be duly adopted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cook. Upon roll call the resolution was unanimously approved by the vote of the Common Council.

Attorney Richard Wilder representing citizens of Forest Homes addition outside the city limits of the City of Bloomington presented a petition asking that the area in which they lived be annexed into the City of Bloomington. The citizens asked that the Council approve their petition and pass an ordinance of annexation. A proposed annexation ordinance was presented to the Council by the petitioners through their attorney, Mr. Wilder. After considerable discussion as to the area and the reasons for annexing and the benefits and obligations of new areas annexed into the City of Bloomington, Councilman Cook moved that the ordinance for annexation be introduced and given first reading at the next regular meeting of the Common Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Miller. On vote the motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Blair, through their attorney Mr. Robert McCrea, petitioned Common Council to vacate that part of Kenwood Drive in Kenwood Park Addition, in the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, which lies between Lot No. 28 on the south and Lot No. 29 on the north and extending from the east line of Woodburn Street to the west line of the alley east of Woodburn Street. After discussion, Councilman Cook made a motion that the City Attorney be instructed not to oppose a suit by the petitioners for vacating said Kenwood Drive. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Meter and upon vote the motion was unanimously carried.

Dr. Fernie King from Indianapolis presented a petition from citizens of 1200 West Eighth Street for a street light. Councilman Van Meter moved that the petition containing twenty (20) signatures be referred to the Light Committee for further study. The motion was seconded by Councilman Miller and upon vote the motion was carried.

Dr. Fernie King requested the Common Council to vacate the area west of his property and between his property and a city cemetery. The property in question is located in the 1200 block of West Eighth Street. Councilman Miller moved that the request be referred to the Street and Alley Committee for further study. Councilman Van Meter seconded the motion and upon vote the motion was carried.

A letter from Mr. Jacob Cauble, 400 East Southern Drive, requesting the removal of a barricade on East Southern Drive was read by the Clerk Treasurer. After discussion Councilman Miller moved that the petition be referred to the Street and Alley Committee, the City Engineer, and the City Attorney for further investigation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Meter and upon vote was unanimously carried.

The Indiana University Memorial Union petitioned Common Council to permit a special event on Bean Blossom Lake as follows:

"To the Common Council of the City of Bloomington,
County of Monroe, State of Indiana:

Indiana Memorial Union, by its Board of Control, hereby makes application to said common council of the City of Bloomington for permission to conduct boat races on Bean Blossom Reservoir on Sunday, July 1, 1956 or Sunday, August 5, 1956, between the hours of 11:00 AM AND 5:00 PM, CDT.

Said races shall be for Hydro and Utility outboard motor boats and not to exceed twenty-five (25) horsepower.

Said races shall be supervised and conducted by the Indiana Outboard Association.

Said races shall be run parallel to the South shore of said reservoir between Shuffle Creek Road and Tunnell Road.

All events shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the National Outboard Association.

All participants will sign a release, releasing the City of Bloomington, its council and officials, Indiana Memorial Union, and Indiana University from all liability for injuries suffered while engaged in any manner whatsoever in said races or while preparing for said races.

Further application is hereby made for waiver of the speed regulations now in force on said reservoir during the time of the race and such preliminary heats as are customarily run in connection with such races.

Also, application is made for waiver to the city license fee for operation of boats on said reservoir for the boats participating in the race for the day of the race.

Application is made for permission to restrict traffic on Tunnell Road on the South side of the reservoir for a distance of one hundred (100) yards South of the South shore line of the reservoir. Said area to be restricted to those persons engaged in or aiding in launching boats which are to participate in the race or in the supervision and conducting of the race.

INDIANA MEMORIAL UNION

by _____
Neil Hinchman, President

by _____
H. W. Jordan, Director

ORDINANCE NO. 12, 1956

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 10, 1953 as It Pertains to Regulations for the Size and Speed of Boats, and Providing Penalties Therefor.

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington adopted Ordinance No. 10, 1953 on the 19th day of May, 1953, which said Ordinance contained certain provisions with respect to the size of all boats or crafts thereon and the speed at which a boat or craft may be operated thereon, and providing penalties therefor; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Bloomington has determined that such Ordinance, as originally written should be modified;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA:

Section 1. Sections 18, 23 and 40 as they appear in Ordinance No. 10, 1953 are hereby repealed, and it is hereby ordained and enacted that the following Sections shall be substituted to stand in lieu thereof in the aforesaid Ordinance No. 10, 1953:

Section 18. There shall be no limit as to the length of a sail boat but no other boats or crafts shall be permitted on the Reservoir that are more than Eighteen (18) feet long from bow to stern and no floating or stationary raft shall be permitted on the Reservoir.

Section 23. No boat or craft shall be operated on the surface of the Reservoir at a speed or in a manner in conflict with Indiana State Laws concerning operation of water craft, provided, however, that the maximum speed that any boat or craft shall be operated on the surface of Bean Blossom Reservoir shall be Twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

Section 40. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, unless otherwise indicated, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Each day that the condition or act in violation of this Ordinance shall remain or continue shall be deemed on the part of the person or persons guilty of such violation to be a separate and distinct offense. Each offense shall be punished by a fine of not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) and not more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), to which may be added a revocation of any license issued pursuant to this Ordinance.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect, from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, and publication in accordance with law.

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, on the 15 day of May, 1956.



Thos. L. Lemon, Presiding Officer

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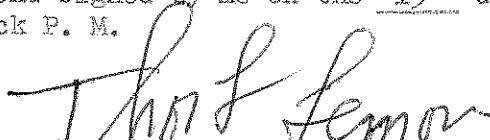
Mary Alice Dunlap,
City Clerk-Treasurer

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington on the 15 day of May, 1956, at the hour of 8:30 o'clock, P. M.



Mary Alice Dunlap, City Clerk-Treasurer

This Ordinance approved and signed by me on the 15 day of May, 1956, at the hour of 8:30 o'clock P. M.



Thos. L. Lemon, Mayor

After discussion Councilman Cook moved that the petition be deferred until the next meeting of the Common Council thereby giving the Council an opportunity to confer with the Lake Chamber of Commerce and other interested people. The motion was seconded by Councilman Engelman and after a vote the motion was unanimously carried.

A letter from Mr. Ernest J. Coovert of the Roxy Theatre addressed to Chief Huntington was read by the Clerk Treasurer as follows:

"Chief Huntington
Police Dept.
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Sir:

The Roxy Theatre will be closed for an undetermined amount of time. We are remodeling completely on the inside and it will be hard for us to know when it will be done.

We will notify you at least two weeks in advance when we will reopen. Thanks for your past and future co-operation.

Sincerely,

Ernest J. Coovert"

Chief Huntington requested that the area in front of the theatre be changed from yellow curb to one (1) parking space with a 15 minute parking limit. Councilman Cook moved that traffic schedule of the Traffic Ordinance be amended to permit 15 minute parking in front of the Roxy Theatre on the space that is currently marked yellow. The motion was seconded by Councilman Engelman and upon vote was unanimously carried.

A petition was presented to the Common Council for a street light at the intersection of First and Anita Streets. Councilman Cook motioned that the petition be referred to the Street Light Committee for further study. Motion was seconded by Councilman Engelman and upon vote was unanimously carried.

Chief Huntington requested the Common Council to petition the State Highway Department for a blinker light and traffic control at the intersection of Third and High Streets. Councilman Engelman moved that the request be referred to the Traffic Commission for further study and that the Traffic Commission make recommendations for control of the traffic in the area of the intersection of Third and High Streets and the adjacent territory. Special attention in this matter be given to the problem of school children going to the new Rogers School. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Meter and upon vote was unanimously carried.

At the request of Chief Huntington Councilman Engelman moved that a study be made of the preferential street at Fourth and Rogers and a recommendation be made at the next meeting of the Common Council. Motion was seconded by Councilman Van Meter and upon vote was unanimously carried.

Councilman Miller moved that the one way traffic schedule on Cottage Grove and Eleventh Street be referred to the Traffic Commission for later recommendation to the Common Council. Councilman Van Meter seconded the motion and upon vote the motion was carried.

Councilman Miller moved that the recommendation of the Traffic Commission be approved in changing North Morton Street from two way traffic to one way traffic running north from Fifth Street to Sixth Street and that the traffic schedule of the Traffic Ordinance be amended accordingly. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cook and upon vote the motion was unanimously carried.

Councilman Cook reported the results of his conversation with Mr. George Fassnacht of the State Board of Health, pertinent to boating at Griffy Creek Lake. Mr. Cook stated that the State Board of Health did not have serious objections to boating on the lake providing adequate supervision and health safeguards were applied. He also stated that boats must be kept a distance of one hundred (100) yards from the dam, spillway, and the intake. After discussion Councilman Cook moved that the City Attorney with the assistance of the Ordinance Committee prepare a suitable ordinance permitting boating on Griffy Creek Lake. Councilman Van Meter seconded the motion and upon vote the motion carried.

Councilman Cook moved that claims be approved and allowed as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Engelman. On vote, the motion was unanimously carried.

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Mayor Lemon announced that the Park Board and the Recreation Board were not yet prepared to meet with the Common Council for discussion on the possibilities of combining the two boards into a Park and Recreation Board.

The Mayor also reported that all persons involved were not prepared to discuss the proposed Dog Ordinance until a later date.

Councilman Miller moved that the report of the Water Department for the month of April be approved and placed on record. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cook and upon vote the motion carried.

Mayor Lemon announced that there was no further business and that the meeting was adjourned.



Presiding Officer

ATTEST:



Clerk-Treasurer