

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, February 15, 1955

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chamber in the City Hall on Tuesday, February 15, 1955, at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock P.M. (7:30 P.M.), in regular session, with Mayor Kelly presiding.

Members Present: Carpenter, Donham, Miller, Ramsey, Porter, and Van Meter

Members Absent: Griffith

The minutes of the last regular meeting were approved as read on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Porter.

On motion of Councilman Porter, seconded by Councilman Van Meter, the Council accepted the report of the City Judge for 1954.

The report of Leonard Rogers, superintendent of the Sanitation Department, for the month of January, 1955, was accepted on motion of Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Donham.

The Clerk-Treasurer notified the Council of the bi-annual meeting of the Board of Finance on February 21, 1955.

A request was received from Ralph Deckard for Full-O-Pep Company for permission to cut tree plot and sidewalk on West Second Street and South College Avenue to widen the entrance to property located at 222 West Second Street and 424 South College. Councilman Donham reported for the Committee on Public Works that this request had been investigated and with the Committee's approval, he moved that permission be granted with the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer. Councilman Porter seconded motion; motion carried.

Dale Schreiber, on behalf of the Ground Observer Corps, a division of Civilian Defense, requested permission to sell a small fire extinguisher to residents of Bloomington. After a demonstration and explanation of the equipment to the Council, on motion of Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Donham, permission was granted the members of Ground Observer Corps to merchandise the fire extinguisher in Bloomington with the express stipulation that solicitation will be made only by local residents.

Mr. Donald Rogers, Attorney for Ira S. and Theodocia Davis, explained the purpose of an Ordinance providing for sale of certain real estate along the shore line of Bean Blossom Reservoir. This land, originally purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Davis has now been found to be unnecessary to the City for the purposes of the Reservoir. Mr. and Mrs. Davis, after repurchase of this property from the City, propose to sell to the City certain other land not owned by the City at this time but inundated by water of the Reservoir. After explanation and discussion, the Ordinance was presented for first reading and on motion of Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Porter, passed unanimously on a roll-call vote and advanced to second reading. After second reading, by title only, on motion of Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Porter, the Ordinance was adopted by the unanimous roll-call vote, and Ordinance No. 1, 1955, being an Ordinance providing for the sale of certain real estate along the shore line of Bean Blossom Reservoir was declared duly adopted.

Mayor Kelly expressed appreciation at the attendance of the Boy Scouts serving as Councilmen and Mayor, and representatives from the Seventh Grade of University School.

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Councilman Ramsey presented Resolution/ on Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 (Bricker Amendment), which, after discussion by the Council and members of the League of Women Voters present, was passed on a roll-call vote on motion of Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Donham as follows:

"Whereas, the original intent of treaties was for the harmonious co-operation of sovereign nations with no intent to modify

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participant's domestic laws, and,

Whereas, since the advent of ILO and the U.N., there has been an avalanche of so called treaties which are aimed at changing our domestic laws via the loophole in paragraph two, Article VI of our Constitution, that makes treaties the supreme law of our land, and,

Whereas, such illicit attacks on our American way of life are the responsibility of each and every citizen to understand and to voice opinion for or against, now,

Therefore be it Resolved by the City Council of Bloomington, Indiana, as representatives of an urban population and in recognition of their obligations to protect its citizens from injurious measures that would abnegate our God-granted liberties via such misconstrued treaty subterfuges, do now declare in official session this 15th day of February, 1955, that they advocate a citywide campaign to enlighten residents about the current danger of so-called treaties and urge all to support S Joint Res No. 1 as a means of protecting our liberties from such unwarranted invasion.

Furthermore be it hereby directed that copies of this resolution be sent to our state and national legislators and the President of the United States."

On motion of Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Porter, the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer were authorized to renew Lease Agreement with the Illinois Central Railroad for an additional five years from April 30, 1955, for property on West Ninth Street being operated by the City as a Park.

The meeting adjourned on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Donham.


 Emmett Kelly
 Presiding Officer

ATTEST:


 Esther J. Leavitt
 Clerk-Treasurer