REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, April 5, 1955

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chamber in the City Hall on Tuesday, April 5, 1955, at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock P.M. (7:30 P.M.), in regular session, with Mayor Kelly presiding.

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

Members Absent: Carpenter

On motion of Councilman Griffith, seconded by Councilman Miller, Councilman Carpenter's absence was excused because of illness.

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

Mayor Kelly presented for the Council's information a deed to the City of Bloomington from Upholsterers Union of North America, American Federation of Labor, Local No. 496, to be used as the location for a fire station, the property to revert to the Union if building has not been started within eighteen months.

Reports for the month of March, 1955, were accepted as submitted by the following:

Horace Robertson, Chief of the Fire Department Roy E. Doub, Plumbing Inspector Leonard M. Rogers, Superintendent of the Sanitation Department J. N. Gilmore, Street Commissioner

A petition was received from Wallace I. and Lucille Ellis by their Attorney LeRoy Baker, requesting permission to cut curb to provide access to parking lots at their grocery store on East Second Street, as follows:

47' on the north line of Lot 34, Smith's Addition 25' along north line of Lot 33, Smith's Addition 2 openings 13' and 14' respectively on the east side of Lot 33, Smith's Addition (Fess Avenue).

Councilman Donham reported for the Committee on Public Works and with the recommendation of the Committee, moved that permission be granted with the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer. Councilman Porter seconded motion; motion carried.

A petition from Mrs. Grace Guthrie requesting permission to establish a skating rink at 350 West Eleventh Street was referred to Committee on Finances, Claims, and Franchises for investigation, on motion of Councilman Donham, seconded by Councilman VanMeter.

A petition was received from Orval C. Pate for permission to remove and replace about twenty feet (20') of sidewalk to widen a drive for grocery at 805 South Rogers Street. Councilman Donham reported that the Committee on Public Works had already investigated this request and with the approval of the Committee, he moved that permission be granted with the work to be done under the supervision of the City Engineer. Councilman Griffith seconded motion; motion carried.

Len E. Bunger, Jr. appeared as attorney for E. K. Newton, Jr. and Faye G. Newton, owners of Lot 15, Green Acres Addition, who contemplate filing a petition in Monroe Circuit Court to vacate Overhill Drive in Green Acres Addition from Eighth Street northeast to the State Highway right-of-way. This portion of Overhill Drive will become a deadend street and the vacation of the street will not cut off access to any property. On motion of Councilman Donham, seconded by Councilman Hiller, the City Attorney was instructed not to oppose the action in Circuit Court to close this street.

Resolution No. 1, 1955, of The Plan Commission was presented to the Council recommending the rezoning of a part of Block C, Highland

Homes Addition to permit the construction of the Phi Delta Kappa National Headquarter's Building. An Ordinance making this change in the zoning map was presented and passed to second reading on a roll-call vote on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Griffith and carried unanimously. On second reading, Ordinance No. 4, 1955, rezoning lots Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34 in Block C, Highland Homes Addition from our R1 One-Family Zone to B1 Limited Business Zone was adopted by the Council unanimously on a roll-call vote on motion of Councilman Griffith, seconded by Councilman Porter.

Councilman Miller reported for the Committee on City Utilities and with the approval of the Committee, moved the Council authorize the installation of a street light at the intersection of Grant Street and Southern Drive. Councilman Donham seconded motion; motion carried.

Councilman Miller reported for the Committee on City Utilities in connection with request for street light at South Highland and Maxwell Lane and with the approval of the Committee moved that the installation of a street light be authorized at this location. Councilman Donham seconded motion; motion carried.

Councilman Miller reported for the Committee on City Utilities in connection with the proposed revision and additions to street lights on West 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Streets. By changing the type of pole used which would not make any change in the type of lighting to be installed, a saving can be made which will make it possible for this improvement to be made this year. The proposed plan has been presented by Mr. F. B. Stimson, Manager of the Public Service Company of Indiana, Inc. On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Donham, and passed unanimously on a roll-call vote, the proposal of the Public Service Company of Indiana, Inc. for the improvement of the street lighting on West 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Streets was accepted and authorized by the Council.

Councilman Miller reported for the Committee on City Utilities regarding a street light which has been knocked down at the alley between Walnut and College on Tenth Street and moved that this light be discontinued since its place to cross to the alley. Councilman Porter seconded motion; motion carried.

Councilman Miller, with the approval of the Committee on City Utilities, moved that installation of a street light be authorized on the east side of the same alley on Tenth Street. Councilman Donham seconded motion; motion carried.

Councilman Porter moved that the Council send a nice letter signed by all members of the Council to the Upholsterers Union, expressing appreciation for the gift of land to be used as the site for a fire station; Councilman Miller seconded motion; motion carried.

On motion of Councilman Ramsey, seconded by Councilman Miller, members of the Council and all other persons present stood for a moment of silence in memory of Patrolman Dale Mishler in recognition of his self-sacrifice and service to the community.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 1, 1955, was presented for consideration and passed to second reading by the unanimous roll-call vote on motion of Councilman Griffith, seconded by Councilman Van Meter. After second reading, on motion of Councilman Griffith, seconded by Councilman VanMeter and passed unanimously on a roll-call vote, Appropriation Ordinance No. 1, 1955, was declared duly adopted.

An Ordinance was presented providing for the transfer of funds totaling \$7500 from the General Fund of the City to the Special Fund of the Park Department to be used for the development of Bryan Park as provided in the General Fund Budget for 1955. On motion of Councilman Griffith, seconded by Councilman Porter, and passed unanimously on a roll-call vote, the Ordinance was advanced to second reading. After second reading, Councilman Griffith moved the adoption of the Ordinance, Councilman Miller seconded motion and on a unanimous roll-call vote, Ordinance No. 5, 1955, was declared duly adopted.

Mr. Eugene H. Bender, President of the Board of Park Trustees, presented to the Council proposal for the construction of a Club House at the Golf Course in Cascades Park, and a Community Building or Shelter House in Bryan Park. The proposal had been considered carefully by the Park and Recreation Committees, and they had consulted with bond consultants in Indianapolis who estimated the two buildings would require a bond issue of about \$120,000, and the bonds would necessarily general obligation bonds. After discussion by Council members, golf club members, and interested citizens present, on motion of Councilman Ramsey, seconded by Councilman Miller, passed unanimously on a roll call vote, the proposition was referred to the Council Committee on Finance, Claims, and Franchises for consideration and report at the next meeting.

Mayor Kelly expressed his appreciation for the attendance and participation of those present. The meeting adjourned on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman VanMeter.

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