

SUMMARY MINUTES
PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2017; 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

The Council convened in Regular Session in the Council Chambers, City Hall Building, at 7:00 p.m., Monday, March 13, 2017. The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Renner.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The Meeting was opened by Pledging Allegiance to the Flag followed by a moment of silent prayer.

3. Remain Standing for a Moment of Silent Prayer

4. Roll Call

Mayor Renner directed the City Clerk to call the roll and the following members of Council answered present:

Aldermen: Kevin Lower, David Sage, Mboka Mwilambwe, Amelia Buragas, Scott Black, Karen Schmidt, Joni Painter, Diana Hauman, Jim Fruin, and Mayor Tari Renner.

Staff Present: David Hales; City Manager, Jeffrey Jurgens; Corporation Counsel, Cherry L. Lawson; City Clerk, Steve Rasmussen; Assistant City Manager, Brendan Heffner, Chief of Police; Bob Yehl, Water Director; Scott Sprouls, IS Director, Nicole Albertson, Human Resource Director, Tom Dabareiner, Community Development Director; Jim Karch, Public Works Director; and other City Staff were also present.

5. Recognition/Appointments

- A. Presentation of Certification by the Police Office's Commission appointing the following individuals as Police Officers for the City of Bloomington: Jerrad L. Freeman; Benjamin W. Smith; Christopher M. Miller; Jesse A. Lanphear; and Nathan T. Blawe.
- B. Presentation by Robert Fazzini, Treasurer and Mark DeKeersgieter, Executive Director of Central Illinois Broadband Network (CIRBN) (10 minutes)
- C. Reappointment of Dean Messinger to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.
- D. Reappointment of Tristan Bullington to the Board of Zoning Appeals
- E. Reappointment of John Meek, Jeff Brown and Barbara Page to the Building Board of Appeals.
- F. Reappointment of Lea Cline and Levi Sturgeon to the Historic Preservation Commission.

- G. Reappointment of Alex Cardona to the Library Board of Trustees.
- H. Reappointment of John Protzman to the Planning Commission.
- I. Reappointment of Don Wilkey to the Police Pension Board.
- J. Reappointment of John Capodice to the Property Maintenance Review Board.
- K. Reappointment of Michael Buragas be reappointed to the Regional Planning Commission
- L. Reappointment of Steven Campbell and Robert Harrison to the Bloomington-Normal Sister City Committee (Japan).
- M. Appointment of Richard Veitengruber to the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- N. Appointment of Michael Gilmore be appointed to the Building Board of Appeals.
- O. Appointment of Gabriel Goldsmith to the Historic Preservation Commission.
- P. Appointment of Gary LaTulip to the Human Relations Commission

6. Public Comment

Patricia Marton

7. Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion, and is provided in BOLD, and items that Council pull from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed with a notation Pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Alderman Hauman, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the Consent Agenda be approved with the exception of item 7C and 7L.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Aldermen Mwilambwe, Lower, Sage, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Hauman, Fruin, and Black.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 7A: Consideration of approving the Minutes of the February 27, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting.

The following was presented:

Item 7B: Consideration of Approving Bills, Payroll, Procurement Card Purchases, and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$5,055,513.72.

The following was presented:

Item 7C: Consideration of Approving Reappointments and Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions. *(Pulled from the Consent Agenda)*

The following was presented:

Item 7D: Consideration of approving a Professional Services Contract with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services related to the SCADA Master Plan for Bloomington Water Department, (RFQ #2017-19).

The following was presented:

Item 7E: Consideration of approving an agreement between the City of Bloomington and Integrated Wellness Partners Bloomington, LLC, effective March 1, 2017.

The following was presented:

Item 7F. Consideration of a Resolution changing the name of Service Drive (also known as Kmart Eastland Crossing) to Empire Crossing.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 06

RESOLUTION CHANGING THE NAME OF SERVICE DRIVE (ALSO KNOWN AS
KMART EASTLAND CROSSING) TO EMPIRE CROSSING

The following was presented:

Item 7G. Consideration of approving a Resolution waiving the formal bidding process and enter into a Contract for supply and delivery of Cationic and Anionic polymer for water treatment purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 07

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVING THE TECHNICAL BIDDING
REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH,
INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF CATIONIC POLYMER AT \$0.678 PER POUND AND
ANIONIC POLYMER AT \$1.286 PER POUND

The following was presented:

Item 7H. Consideration of a Resolution to adopt the Official 2016 Zoning Map for the City of Bloomington incorporating all map amendments from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - 08

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE OFFICIAL 2016 ZONING MAP FOR THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

The following was presented:

Item 7I. Consideration of adopting an Ordinance approving a Petition from Carrie Scritchlow, for approving a utility easement vacation, located south of Jersey Avenue and west of Towanda Avenue.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 18

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN EASEMENT AT 107 PARKVIEW DRIVE

The following was presented:

Item 7J. Consideration of the application of PATH, Inc., located at 201 E. Grove St., Suite 200, for a Limited Alcoholic Liquor License (Class LA) which would allow the selling and serving of all types of alcohol by the glass for consumption on the premises for a fund raiser to be held on April 13, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts, 600 N. East St.

The following was presented:

Item 7K. Consideration of the application of The Grand Cafe, LLC, d/b/a Grand Cafe, located at 615 N. Main St., requesting a RAS liquor license which would allow the sale of all types of alcohol by the glass for consumption on the premises seven (7) days a week.

The following was presented:

Item 7L. Consideration of the application of Green Top Grocery Cooperative, d/b/a Green Top Grocery, located at 921 E. Washington St. requesting a PBS liquor license which would allow the sale of packaged beer and wine for consumption off the premises seven (7) days a week. ***(Pulled from the Consent Agenda)***

The following was presented:

Item 7M. Consideration of the application of Braize, LLC, d/b/a Braize, located at 1413 Leslie Dr., requesting a RAS liquor license which would allow the sale of all types of alcohol by the glass for consumption on the premises seven (7) days a week.

The following was presented:

Item 7N. Consideration of an Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Davis Lodge on June 30, 2017.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 19

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON JUNE 30, 2017 AT DAVIS LODGE

The following was presented:

Item 7O. Consideration of an Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Davis Lodge on May 27, 2017.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 20

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON May 27, 2017 AT DAVIS LODGE

The following was presented:

Item 7P. Consideration of an Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Davis Lodge on April 15, 2017.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 21

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON APRIL 15, 2017 AT DAVIS LODGE

The following was presented:

Item 7Q. Consideration of an Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Davis Lodge on March 18, 2017.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 22

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON MARCH 18, 2017 AT DAVIS LODGE

The following was presented:

Item 7C: Consideration of Approving Reappointments and Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions. (*Pulled from the Consent Agenda*)

Mayor Renner asked for a motion on this item.

Motion by Alderman Hauman, seconded by Alderman Black, Dean Messinger be reappointed to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, that Tristan Bullington be reappointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals, that John Meek, Jeff Brown and Barbara Page be reappointed to the Building Board of Appeals, that Lea Cline and Levi Sturgeon be reappointed to the Historic Preservation Commission, that Alex Cardona be reappointed to the Library Board of Trustees, that John Protzman be reappointed to the Planning Commission, that Don Wilkey be reappointed to the Police Pension Board, that John Capodice be reappointed to the Property Maintenance Review Board, that Michael Buragas be reappointed to the Regional Planning Commission, that Steven Campbell and Robert Harrison be reappointed to the Bloomington-Normal Sister City Committee (Japan), that Richard Veitengruber be appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals, that Michael Gilmore be appointed to the Building Board of Appeals, that Gabriel Goldsmith be appointed to the Historic Preservation Commission, and that Gary LaTulip be appointed to the Human Relations Commission.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Painter, Hauman, Black, Schmidt and Fruin.

Recused: Alderman Amelia Buragas
[7:27 PM] Departed the dais
[7:28 PM] Returned to the dais

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 7L. Consideration of the application of Green Top Grocery Cooperative, d/b/a Green Top Grocery, located at 921 E. Washington St. requesting a PBS liquor license which would allow the sale of packaged beer and wine for consumption off the premises seven (7) days a week. *(Pulled from the Consent Agenda)*

Mayor Renner asked for a motion on this item.

Motion by Alderman Hauman, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, that the application of Green Top Grocery Cooperative, d/b/a Green Top Grocery, located at 921 E. Washington St. requesting a PBS liquor license which would allow the sale of packaged beer and wine for consumption off the premises seven (7) days a week be approved and a liquor license created, contingent upon obtaining BASSETT training and compliance with all health and safety codes.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Painter, Hauman, Black, Schmidt and Fruin.

Recused: Alderman Scott Black

[7:28 PM] Departed the dais

[7:28 PM] Returned to the dais

Regular Agenda

The following was presented:

Item No. 8A: Presentation of the FY2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as audited. Ms. Silva presented the new audit firm, Baker Tilly. We have Jason Coyle, partner, and Mike Malatt, our Audit Manager, here to present the audit to you. Ms. Silva thanked Paulette Hurd, our Chief Accountant, and our accounting staff for doing such a great job on the audit. Mr. Coyle started with the Annual Audit Report. A Comprehensive Annual Financial Report continues to be issued that is commonly referred to as a CAFR. This provides a higher level of disclosure and information in a CAFR than is actually required. Your opinion this year, if you were to compare it to last year, looks slightly different for a couple of reasons. You implemented a new reporting standard this year related to your pensions standards. The other change relates to the Coliseum. We did not audit the Coliseum this year, so we did not provide an opinion.

Mayor Renner asked for clarification on that. Mr. Coyle stated that given everything that had gone on with the Coliseum during the year, the decision was made with them and with the Finance Department that they were not comfortable moving forward with providing the audit there. There was some concern about the availability of information that we would have been able to audit. With an idea of continuing to move forward quickly as we could, it was decided not to audit the coliseum this year. For the first time this year, your net pension liability was placed on the

financial statements. Mr. Malatt commented on the smaller document which is basically a summarization of the audit, what their responsibilities are, what the City's responsibilities are as the governing body, what management's responsibilities are, and a summarization of some things that are on the horizon.

Mayor Renner asked Ms. Silva to speak briefly about the Coliseum situation. Ms. Silva stated that because we have an active investigation which is all public information, it does not make sense to try to conclude an audit while that is going on. A decision was made by the auditors to not give an opinion on the Coliseum at this time. All of the financial information has been compiled, but no opinion has been expressed.

Alderman Schmidt asked what the timeline of implanting the software that speaks to the segregation of duties utility billing. Mr. Hales stated that is still a work in progress. Alderman Schmidt asked if it would be implemented by the time of our next audit. Mr. Hales stated that would be the plan in general.

Item No. 8B: Presentation of the Bloomington Fire Department 2016 Annual Report.

Mr. Mohr he would like to start the presentation by talking about our most valuable resource, which is the boots on the ground, the people that come into contact with our community and our citizens on a daily basis that really have the biggest impact on the quality of our service. We have seen some changes in our work force in the past year. There were two retirements and resignations of four firefighters. We had eight new hires, firefighter/paramedics, and we also hired the management analyst. We have dropped in call volume from last year.

In terms of response data, we saw a slight 1% increase in the calls for EMS calls, but we saw a 3% decrease in the number of patients that were actually transported last year. The 2016 accomplishments were moving to the on-line training platform. We did some changing in CAD exports so the accuracy of our records management system is better. Trying to update the emergency medical dispatch cards. We have identified problems with traffic prioritization. Working with apparatus committee designed the new engine that we asked for last year with new safety features.

In 2017, we will be working to upgrade the station alerting system. As for future needs, we talked about the need for the medic at headquarters. Reinstatement of an engine company at Station 3, and add additional staff. This time of year last year, we were down six people, and currently we are down five. There are possibilities of more retirements coming this summer. Collaborate with Normal Fire Department and increase our recruitment efforts.

Alderman Hauman asked if there is any way when people come on the force, is there any way to put on a requirement that they serve so long. Mr. Mohr stated that we were not the only one having problems and we have looked at other Departments that have had anywhere from a one-year to a four-year contract where you cannot get them to stay, but you can have them reimburse you for those training dollars that were spent. We have written a one-year agreement up that legal is looking at right now before we offer that to the next candidate.

Alderman Mwilambwe asked if the subject of building engines and how you try to find a way to be more efficient, not necessarily getting all the bells and whistles, but getting what you actually need could be talked about a little bit. Mr. Mohr stated that the apparatus committee is tasked with not going out for the most elaborate engine or truck company, but what they get fits the response district, per se.

Mayor Renner presented Chief Mohr the title of Chief Fire Officer.

8. City Manager's Discussion

Mr. Hales thanked the Mayor and all Council members as well as Department Directors for attending the budget workshop. We had proposed that the Committee of the Whole meeting next Monday be cancelled.

9. Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Renner requested a moment of special silence for Tina Salamone's passing.

10. City Alderman's Discussion

Alderman Sage thanked those that came to the neighborhood meeting last week.

11. Adjournment

Motion made by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Hauman, to adjourn the meeting at 8:09p.m.

Motion carried (viva voce).

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

ATTEST

Tari Renner, Mayor

Cherry L. Lawson, City Clerk