



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS**  
**MONDAY, APRIL 8, 6:00 PM**

The Council convened in Regular Session in the Council Chambers, City Hall Building, at 6:01 PM, Monday, April 8, 2019.

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

Aldermen: Jamie Mathy, David Sage, Mboka Mwilambwe, Amelia Buragas, Joni Painter, Karen Schmidt, Scott Black, Diana Hauman, Kim Bray, and Mayor Tari Renner.

Staff Present: Tim Gleason, City Manager; Billy Tyus, Deputy City Manager; Jeffrey Jurgens, Corporation Counsel; Bob Mahrt, Community Development Director; Scott Rathbun, Finance Director; Scott Sprouls, Information Services Director; and other City staff were present.

### **Recognition/Appointments**

A. Presentation of Bloomington Firefighters who have completed a one-year probation:

i. Brandon Vaughn

Fire Chief Brandon Mohr and many other Bloomington Fire Fighters came forward. Chief Mohr notified Council that Mr. Vaughn was not present to be sworn in as he was away on military drill. Chief Mohr asked Interim City Clerk, Leslie Yocum, to plan to have him sworn in at the Council meeting on April 22, 2019.

ii. Luke Pool

iii. Joseph Wilkinson

Chief Mohr introduced and welcomed Fire Fighters Pool and Wilkinson to the Bloomington Fire Department. City Clerk Leslie Yocum, came forward and swore Fire Fighters Pool and Wilkinson in as Fire Fighters for the Bloomington Fire Department.

B. Proclamation declaring May 18, 2019 “Kids to Parks Day in the City of Bloomington, IL”.

Eric Veal, Assistant Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Director and other guests came forward to accept the proclamation.

C. Proclamation declaring April 7-13, 2019 “National Library Week”.

Library Director Jeanne Hamilton and Library Board Chairman Julian Westerhout came forward to accept the proclamation.

### **Public Comment**

Mayor Renner opened the meeting to receive public comment, and the following individuals provided comments to the Council:

Scott Stimeling	Donna Boelen
Dale Naffziger	

**Consent Agenda**

*Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled by Council from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed separately.*

**Alderman Painter made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hauman, that the Consent Agenda, including all the items listed below, be approved as presented with the exception of Item 7C and Item 7L**

Item 7A. Consideration of approving the Minutes of the March 25, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommend the reading of minutes be dispensed and approved as printed.)*

Item 7B. Consideration of approving Bills, Payroll, and Electronic Transfers Purchases in the amount of \$4,225,004.63, as requested by the Finance Department. *(Recommend the Bills, Payroll, and Electronic Transfers be allowed in the amount of \$4,225,004.63, and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the various amounts as funds are available.)*

Item 7C was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Alderman Hauman so she could recuse herself.

Item 7D. Consideration of a Purchase of one (1) Pierce Velocity 107' Ascendant-Tandem Axle Aerial apparatus from Global Emergency Products, for a total amount of \$1,047,215, as requested by the Fire Department. *(Recommend the Purchase be approved, and the Procurement Manager be authorized to issue a Purchase Order and Pre-Payment.)*

Item 7E. Consideration of the Purchase of one (1) John Deere ProGator 2020A GPS Sprayer for the three City Golf Courses, for a total amount of \$82,608.20, from the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (expiration - 8/18/21), as requested by the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Department. *(Recommend the Purchase be approved, and the Procurement Manager be authorized to issue a Purchase Order.)*

Item 7F. Consideration of the Purchase one (1) 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan Van from National Auto Fleet Group, using Sourcewell, in the amount of \$29,148.30, as requested by the Park, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Department. *(Recommend the Purchase of the 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan Van be approved, and the Procurement Manager be authorized to issue a Purchase Order.)*

Item 7G. Consideration of an Agreement with Midco Systems, Inc. to replace the Building Access Control System currently in place within the Police Department, in the amount of \$186,233.26, through RFP #2019-26, as requested by the Information Services and Police Departments. *(Recommend the Agreement with Midco Systems, Inc. be approved, and the City Manager and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

Item 7H. Consideration of waiving the technicality in the RFP Packet to approve a three (3) year Contract with PMA Companies for Contractual Third-Party Administration & Risk Services for Workers' Compensation, Property, Auto, General Liability and Professional (RFP# 2019-25), in an amount not to exceed \$149,000 per year, as requested by the Human Resources Department. *(Recommend the technicality in the RFP Packet be waived, the three-year Contract with PMA Companies be approved, and the City Manager and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

Item 7I. Consideration of a Contract with Diamond Vogel Paint, for a one (1) year term beginning May 1, 2019 and ending April 30, 2020, for traffic line paint and beads (Bid #2019-22), in the amount of \$94,325, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommend the Contract with Diamond Vogel Paint, as the lowest responsive bidder, be approved, and the City Manager and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

Item 7J. Consideration of a Contract with Site Med to provide OSHA required Medical Surveillance and a physical evaluation in compliance with NFPA 1582, in the amount to not exceed \$60,000 annually, as requested by the Human Resources and Fire Departments. *(Recommend the Contract be approved, and the City Manager be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

Item 7K. Consideration of (a) an Ordinance approving a budget amendment to reallocate the remaining FY 2019 Harriet Fuller Rust Grant Funds to the Capital Improvement Fund, and (b) a Resolution authorizing a Change Order in the amount of \$25,000 to the FY 2019 Streets, Alley, and Sidewalk Maintenance Contract awarded to McLean County Asphalt, to facilitate brick & restoration work on various City brick streets, and other restoration work, as requested by the Community Development and Public Works Departments. *(Recommend (1) the Ordinance Amending the Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2019, be approved and the Mayor and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the Ordinance; and (2) the Resolution Authorizing a Change Order in the Amount of Approximately \$25,000 to the FY 2019 Street, Alley and Sidewalk Maintenance Contract Awarded to McLean County Asphalt, be approved, and the Mayor and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the Resolution.)* Resulting in the approval of ORDINANCE NO. 2019 - 22.

Item 7L was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Alderman Bray.

Item 7M. Consideration of a Resolution Waiving the Technical Bidding Requirements and approving the purchase of two (2) Variable Frequency Drives and two (2) 400-amp Breakers, to upgrade pumping processes at the Fort Jesse "A" Pump Station, in the amount of \$61,300, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommend the Resolution Waiving the Technical Bidding Requirements and approving the Purchase of Square D Equipment for Springfield Electric Company be approved, the Mayor and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the Resolution.)* Resulting in the approval of RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 16.

Item 7N. Consideration of the application of All-In Hospitality Group, LLC d/b/a Ancho & Agave, requesting a Class RAS (Restaurant/All Types/Sunday Sales) 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, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommend the application of All-In Hospitality Group, LLC d/b/a Ancho & Agave be approved, and the license be issued.)*

Item 70. Consideration of a Change of Ownership application for Lil Beaver Brewery, LLC d/b/a Lil Beaver Brewery, located at 16 Currency Drive Bloomington, currently holding a Class TBPS (Tavern/Beer and Wine/Package Sales/Sunday Sales) liquor license, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommend the Change of Ownership for Lil Beaver Brewery, LLC d/b/a Lil Beaver Brewery be approved.)*

Item 7P. Consideration of the requests by Keg Grove Brewing Company, LLC d/b/a Keg Grove Brewing Company, located at 712 East Empire Street, to change conditions on its license: (a) to allow an Outdoor Service or Consumption Area, to be located between the establishment and the Prenzler building to the South, subject to the following conditions: (1) no live music or performances outside and (2) hours of operation to be Sunday through Thursday, 9 A.M. to 9 P.M. and Friday and Saturday, 9 A.M. to 10 P.M. and (b) to allow for extended hours of alcohol service, from 9 A.M. - midnight, 7 days a week, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommend the Change in Conditions requested by Keg Grove Brewing Company, LLC d/b/a Keg Grove Brewing Company be approved.)*

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

**Ayes:** Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman, and Bray.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion carried.**

The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Alderman Hauman.

Item 7C. Consideration of approving an appointment to the Regional Planning Commission, as requested by the Administration Department. *(Recommend Diana Hauman be appointed to the Regional Planning Commission.)*

**Alderman Black made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bray, that Consent Agenda Item 7C be approved as presented.**

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

**Ayes:** Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, and Bray.

**Nays:** None.

**Recused:** Alderman Hauman (6:23 PM)

**Motion carried.**

The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Alderman Bray.

Item 7L. Consideration of a Resolution approving the First Amended Rules of the Public Safety & Community Relations Board, as requested by the Police and Legal Departments. *(Recommend the Resolution be approved, and the Mayor and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)* Resulting in the approval of RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 15.

Alderman Bray thanked the members who serve on the Public Safety & Community Relations Board (PSCRB) and asked a few clarifying questions regarding the amended rules. Nora Dukowitz, PSCRB staff liaison, responded accordingly.

**Alderman Bray made a motion, seconded by Alderman Painter, that Consent Agenda Item 7L be approved as presented.**

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

**Ayes: Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman, and Bray.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

## **Regular Agenda**

The following was presented:

Item 8A. Consideration of Adoption of the FY 2020 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. Public Safety & Community Relations Board. Resulting in the approval of ORDINANCE NO. 2019 - 23.

City Manager Tim Gleason commented on the budget and turned the floor over to Finance Director Scott Rathbun.

Mr. Rathbun came forward to address Council. He walked through budget highlights and changes between the proposed budget and the adopted budget presented. He broke out detail of material changes and provided additional explanations.

Mr. Gleason spoke on incoming funding through Local Motor Fuel tax and Mr. Rathbun ended with a summary of projects and budgets.

Alderman Black expressed support for the improvements made to the budget process and complimented Mr. Rathbun. He expressed interest in looking at a reserve policy and recommended budget planning in the fall prior to approval in the spring. He also asked that Council be provided a menu of project opportunities prior to projects being approved.

Alderman Mathy discussed the need to have open Council conversations about pensions.

Alderman Sage thanked City Manager Gleason, Mr. Rathbun, and the Finance Budget team for their work this year.

Alderman Mwilambwe thanked staff for all their hard work and complimented the process this year. He mentioned the need to have a staff member focused on budget history so that they may educate future Councils on why historical decisions were made.

Alderman Hauman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Black, that the City of Bloomington Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2019 and Ending April 30, 2020 be approved, and the Mayor and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

**Ayes:** Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman, and Bray.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion carried.**

Item 8B. Ratification of Contract with IATSE Local 193, as requested by the Human Resources and Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Departments.

City Manager Gleason touched on the importance of IATSE and complimented staff for their work. He discussed pay raises over the next three (3) years.

Alderman Schmidt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hauman, that the IATSE Contract be ratified.

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

**Ayes:** Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman, and Bray.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion carried.**

Item 8C. Consideration of an Ordinance Establishing a Separate Fund within the City Budget to Track Revenues and Expenses Related to the Maintenance and Repair of City Streets and Sidewalks, titled the Capital Improvement Asphalt & Concrete Fund, as requested by the Finance and Administration Departments. ORDINANCE NO. 2019 - 24 did not pass, as it was tabled for a future meeting.

City Manager Gleason recognized Council's desire to provide additional transparency. He stressed that the changes were not made because of issues with security or wrongful

spending. He emphasized that the changes presented were the result of Council and the public's request for additional transparency.

Alderman Hauman questioned how street lights and other improvements associated to roads are funded. Mr. Gleason responded that they are paid out of the general fund.

Alderman Schmidt asked whether potholes would be covered by Local Motor Fuel Tax. Public Works Director Jim Karch came forward to address Council. He clarified that the temporary filling of pot holes comes out of the general fund, whereas Local Motor Fuel Tax funded the physical cut out and replacement of asphalt necessary for permanent repair of pot holes.

Alderman Bray discussed the various draft alternates on the floor.

**Alderman Bray made a motion to adopt the Bray Draft Alternate as presented. No request for a second was made as Council discussion continued.**

Alderman Sage proposed combining the Staff Draft Alternate and the Bray Draft Alternate.

Corporation Counsel Jeffery Jurgens came forward to assist Council in creating a Draft Alternate that fit both Alderman Bray and Alderman Sage's suggestions.

Alderman Black suggested that the item be tabled and brought back at the next meeting.

Alderman Buragas expressed interest in tabling the item and requested that Council also make a conscious decision to openly discuss the reasoning behind the language proposed.

Alderman Mwilambwe asked for additional information on the new website [www.BloomingtonStreets.com](http://www.BloomingtonStreets.com), how it would work, and any future plans for pavement preservation.

Deputy City Manager Billy Tyus came forward to address Council. He talked about plans for the website such as posting project updates and then discussed how the website would be used as a communication tool with the public.

Mr. Karch discussed pavement preservation.

Alderman Sage discussed his concerns about the language included in the resolution and the importance of continuing to use the words "Concrete and Asphalt" and "Streets and Sidewalks."

Alderman Black expressed interest in tabling the item. He discussed the need to define "Concrete and Asphalt" and additional options.

**Alderman Black made a motion to table the item to allow for edits in consideration of aldermanic requests. No request for a second was made as Council discussion continued.**

Alderman Bray called Point of Order to address a previously made motion.

**Alderman Bray made a motion, seconded by Alderman Mwilambwe, to pass the Bray Draft Alternate as presented.**

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

**Ayes: Aldermen Mwilambwe, Schmidt, and Bray.**

**Nays: Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Buragas, Painter, Black, and Hauman.**

**Motion failed.**

Alderman Buragas expressed concerns that the terms “Concrete and Asphalt” were unnecessarily limiting Council’s ability to address projects. She did not support artificially narrowing Council’s future actions.

**Alderman Black made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hauman, to table the item. No vote was taken as Council discussion continued.**

Alderman Painter expressed interest in moving the item along and supported Alderman Sage’s version of the combined draft.

Alderman Sage asked Mr. Gleason if he had questions regarding Council’s desire to table and bring this back. Mr. Gleason assured Council that he would work through the recording of the meeting and staff notes to ensure the item was perfected prior to bringing back.

**Alderman Black made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hauman, to table the item to the April 22, 2019 City Council meeting and to have staff produce an alternative option based on Council discussion.**

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

**Ayes: Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman, and Bray.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

Item 8D. Consideration of a Resolution authorizing a bid waiver and approving a Contract with Houseal Lavigne & Associates, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000, for Professional Consulting Services to perform an additional analysis of the R-3B Zoning District, as requested by the Community Development Department. Public Safety & Community Relations Board. Resulting in the approval of RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 17.

City Manager Gleason discussed why the item was being presented.



Alderman Schmidt expressed concerns.

Community Development Director Bob Mahrt came forward to address Council. He talked about plans for involvement of the Preservation Commission.

**Alderman Black made a motion, seconded by Alderman Mathy, that the Resolution be approved, the Mayor and Interim City Clerk be authorized to execute the Resolution, and the City Manager authorized to sign the Contract and scope of work.**

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

**Ayes: Aldermen Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman, and Bray.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

### **City Manager's Discussion**

Mr. Gleason thanked Scott Rathbun, Patti-Lynn Silva, and Chris Tomerlin for their efforts in achieving the budget.

Mr. Gleason went on to thank Chief Wheeler for his service and discussed Chief Wheeler's retirement.

Chief Wheeler came forward to address Council. He expressed appreciation for Council and citizens alike. He discussed a few projects close to his heart and plead with the public to curb violence and come forward with information regarding the two (2) unsolved murders being worked on by his department. He complimented the Bloomington Police Department and his staff.

Mr. Gleason talked about plans for recruitment of a new Police Chief and discussed plans for a national recruitment campaign ran through internal management.

### **Mayor's Discussion**

Mayor Renner mentioned that the Mayor's Open House on April 19, 2019 would be cancelled due to Good Friday.

### **City Aldermen's Discussion**

Alderman Mathy complimented Keg Grove Brewery.

Aldermen Black and Bray said they will be traveling next week and will be calling into the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 15, 2019. Corporation Council Jeffrey Jurgens stated that he will verify approval of their participation via phone.

Executive Session

Adjournment

Alderman Mwilambwe made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hauman, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried unanimously (viva voce).

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON



Tari Renner, Mayor

ATTEST



Leslie Yocum, Interim City Clerk