CITY OF Bloomington ILLINOIS

MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call

The Council convened in Regular Session in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building at 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 9, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tari Renner.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tari Renner	Mayor	Present	
Jamie Mathy	Ward 1	Absent	
Donna Boelen	Ward 2	Present	
Mboka Mwilambwe	Ward 3	Present	
Julie Emig	Ward 4	Present	
Joni Painter	Ward 5	Present	
Jennifer Jazmin Carrillo	Ward 6	Remote	
Scott Black	Ward 7	Present	
Jeff Crabill	Ward 8	Present	
Kim Bray	Ward 9	Absent	

Council Member Crabill motioned, seconded by Council Member Boelen, to allow Council Member Carrillo to participate remotely due to personal illness.

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

AYES: Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Black, Crabill

ABSTAIN: Carrillo

Motion carried.

Recognition/Appointments

No recognitions or appointments were presented.

Public Comment

Mayor Renner opened the floor for public comment and the following individuals came forward: (1) Bill Rau; (2) Scott Stimeling; (3) Surena Fish; (4) Deb Presley; and (5) Jon Reed.

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 and voted on separately.

Council Member Painter made a motion, seconded by Council Member Emig, that the Consent Agenda, including all items listed below with the exception of Item 7.G., be approved as presented:

AYES: Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill

Motion carried.

Item 7.A. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the February 10, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)*

Item 7.B. Consideration and action to approve Bills and Payroll in the amount of $5,458,517.12, as requested by the Finance Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Bills and Payroll be approved.)*

Item 7.C. Consideration and action to approve the Purchase of four (4) LifePak 15 V-4 Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillators from Stryker Medical in the amount of $101,388.88, utilizing the GSA joint purchasing cooperative, and authorization to dispose of four (4) 2012 LifePak 15 units through trade-in credit, as requested by the Fire Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Purchase and Disposal be approved.)*

Item 7.D. Consideration and action to approve the Purchase of a 2020 Ford F-350 with snow plow from Roesch Ford of Bensenville, Illinois, using Northwest Suburban Purchasing Contract (#180), in the amount of $36,620, *as requested by the Public Works Department and the Fire Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Purchase be approved.)*

Item 7.E. Consideration and action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Bloomington and County of McLean, IL regarding the 2019 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Award (JAG grant 2019-DJ-BX-0676), allowing the Police Department to accept the grant funds when they are awarded, as requested by the Police Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Agreement be approved.)*

Item 7.F. Consideration and action to approve an Ordinance Waiving the Technical Bidding Requirements and Approving a Multi-Year Contract with Calgon Carbon Corporation for Municipal Custom Reactivation and Makeup Carbon, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance and Contract be approved.)*

Item 7.G. was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Crabill.

Item 7.H. Consideration and action to approve an Ordinance Approving the Final Plat of Boys & Girls Club Subdivision, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved.)*

Item 7.I. Consideration and action to approve an Ordinance Accepting the Dedication of a Public Utility Easement and Approving the Easement Agreement Between F.O.B Development and the City of Bloomington, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved.)*

Item 7.J. Consideration and action to approve an Ordinance Extending and Reinstating the Third Revision to the Empire Business Park Preliminary Plan Last Revised July 8, 2013 and Approving the Final Plat of Empire Business Park Eleventh Addition, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved, subject to the petitioner paying the required tap-on fees.)*

Item 7.K. Consideration and action to approve an Ordinance Approving the Final Plat of Empire Business Park Subdivision Tenth Addition, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommended Motion: The Ordinance be approved, subject to the petitioner paying the required tap-on fees and providing the required sureties.)*

Item 7.L. Consideration and action on the Application of Personal Assistance Telephone Help, Inc. d/b/a PATH, requesting a Class LA (Limited, All Types of Alcohol) liquor license, for their 12th Annual Chefs for PATH Event at the BCPA, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Liquor License be approved.)*

Item 7.M. Consideration and action on the Application of Morrissey Firehouse Pizza, LLC, d/b/a Firehouse Pizza, to be located at 1601 Morrissey Drive, Unit B, requesting a Class RAS (Restaurant, All Types of Alcohol, and Sunday Sales) liquor license, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Liquor License be approved with the condition the establishment close at 11:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday; and contingent upon the compliance with all building, health, and safety codes.)*

Item 7.N. Consideration and action on the Request of Richard's Services, Inc., d/b/a Parkview Inn, located at 1003 S Morris Ave, to redefine their approved area for consumption with a permanent extension of premise to allow an Outdoor Service or Consumption Area, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Request be approved, contingent upon the compliance with all building, health and safety codes.)*

Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda

The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Crabill.

Item 7.G. Consideration and action to approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Approve an Energy Supply Contract with One Hundred Percent Renewable Energy, as requested by the Facilities Department.

Council Member Crabill explained that he pulled the item to learn more about it.

City Manager, Tim Gleason, asked Russ Waller, Director of Facilities, to address Council. Mr. Waller explained the process of the renewal energy program.

Mayor Renner confirmed with Mr. Waller that a past Council had requested the City become 100% reliable on renewable energies. Mr. Waller responded affirmatively and explained that the City had joined other municipalities in order to receive the best rate for the program.

Mayor Renner clarified that the Cornbelt Co-Op was not a part of this contract.

Mr. Waller explained the process to purchase renewable wind energy from local wind farms and provided insight on why the City was not able to make said purchases.

Council Member Crabill reiterated the process for renewable energy and inquired why the City was not able to locally source renewable energy. Mr. Waller explained that only those who invested early in local sources are able to purchase locally.

Council Member Carrillo asked the difference between the various purchasing options. Mr. Waller stated that rates are negligible. Council Member Carrillo supported renewable energy through this program initially, but also expressed concerns that the City could have better alternative resources.

Council Member Boelen asked the length of the contract. Mr. Waller stated typical contracts are generally two to three years.

Council Member Black asked for the concerns of Council to be restated. Council Member Carrillo restated her concerns. Council Member Black recalled previous Council proceedings and stated his support with the motion on the floor.

Council Member Painter asked Council Member Carrillo for suggestions on alternative sources of renewable energy. Council Member Carrillo noted research would be required.

Council Member Emig noted the continued expansion of technologies, agreed the City should seek alternative options in the future, and stated support with the current motion.

Mr. Waller noted the City partnered with the Ecology Action Center to seek alternative options for renewable energy.

Council Member Boelen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Painter, that the proposed Resolution be approved., which resulted in the following:

AYES: Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill

Motion carried.

Public Hearing

Item 8.A. Public Hearing for the FY 2021 Proposed Budget, as requested by the Finance Department and the Administration Department.

Mayor Renner opened the Public Hearing at 6:38 p.m.

Mayor Renner asked if there was anyone who would like to speak for or against the proposed budget; none came forward.

Mayor Renner closed the Public Hearing at 6:38 p.m.

Regular Agenda

The following item was considered:

Item 9.A. Presentation of Not In Our Town's 2019 Annual Report*, as requested by the Administration Department. (Recommended Motion: None; presentation only.)*

City Manager Gleason introduced Mike Matejka to present the Not In Our Town report. Mr. Matejka noted the program would celebrate their 25-year anniversary in December 2020. He described the different programs available and a survey the program executed in 2019.

Mr. Matejka introduced his co-presenter Angelique Racki, Chair of the Cultural Arts Committee. Ms. Racki named multiple cultural arts projects they collaborated with throughout Bloomington and described multiple large cultural events.

Mr. Matejka noted the events held in collaboration with the Museum of History and stated approximately 80 people were in attendance at each event.

Council Member Painter stated her appreciation of the program and thanked the speakers for their presentation.

Council Member Emig echoed the appreciation and noted her belief that the arts saved lives. She asked when the survey data would be available. Mr. Matejka responded they were actively working to compile the data and explained how it would be used.

Council Member Mwilambwe echoed appreciation to the speakers and noted his gratitude for the Not In Our School program. Mr. Matejka provided details on the youth-lead Not In Our School program.

The following item was considered:

Item 9.B. Presentation of the Bloomington Police Department's 2019 Annual Report, *as requested by the Police Department.*

Mayor Renner asked Police Chief Dan Donath to address the Council.

Chief Donath informed the Council that the 2019 Part 1 Uniform Crime Report statistics were overall 3% lower than previous years and listed the crimes included in the report. He stated all segments decreased apart from robberies and aggravated battery which increased. Chief Donath discussed each crime type, highlighted key information, and compared the 2019 numbers to a five-year average for Bloomington. He also suggested precautionary measures to citizens to reduce the chance of crime. Chief Donath highlighted driving under the influence (DUI) arrests had increased since 2018 and recognized that one officer accounted for 118 of the 349 DUI arrests. He reminded the public that DUI enforcement remained a high priority for the Police Department.

Chief Donath discussed Violent Crime Prevention Efforts and the partnership with City Life, a local organization. He explained the partnership created a framework for a conflict resolution program that supported local at-risk youth ages 11 to 16 years of age and that it included mentorship, leadership skills, employment and conflict resolution, and highlighted the results of the program. He concluded the presentation with the 2020 Department Goals.

Council Member Emig noted possible connections with Not In Our Town and Chestnut Health FUSE program. Chief Donath confirmed the connection and noted Chestnut Health Systems planned to start a new triage program in late March.

Council Member Crabill thanked Chief Donath and the Police Department for their service. He asked if staff noticed similar crime trends in other cities and for a comparison of DUI incidents on alcohol verses cannabis. Chief Donath responded affirmatively and noted Bloomington had significantly lower statistics than other cities of comparable size. He also explained that cannabis incidents were minimal and noted the addition of a local cannabis dispensary could increase the number of incidents.

Council Member Mwilambwe mentioned changes in recruitment and asked for more detail. Chief Donath responded that the department continued to place an emphasis on outreach and strong media presence.

Council Member Carrillo asked for details on the preventative measures expected for the upcoming year. Chief Donath stated the department would continue to work with City Life, who partnered with the high school and Boys and Girls Club. Council Member Carrillo asked if additional police cameras would be implemented in the community and inquired if the relationship between BPD and the Public Safety and Community Relations Board could improve. Chief Donath responded additional cameras would be implemented as necessary and stated current relationship was great and he hoped to see it expand.

Mayor Renner thanked Chief Donath and asked him to convey their appreciation to the department.

Finance Director's Report

City Manager Gleason informed the Council that the item had been added by mistake.

City Manager's Discussion

City Manager Gleason recognized Nikita Richards, Employment Coordinator, who received the Outstanding Service in Leadership Award from Treasurer Ferichs for Ms. Richards' service on the Illinois Council for Women and Girls at the State's Capitol.

City Manager Gleason pointed out the upcoming calendar of events and noted Water Conservation Month. He moved on to discuss the Coronavirus and the continued efforts staff took to stay informed, and where citizens could locate the most up-to-date information. City Manager Gleason mentioned his recent attendance to the OneVoice Conference in Washington, D.C. where he proposed the Hamilton Road and Bunn Street to Commerce Road project for Federal funding.

Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Renner thanked the City staff for their work on the budget and continued support on the COVID-19 situation. He informed the Council and the public that the City continued to actively seek information and discussed preventative measures.

Council Member's Discussion

Council Member Carrillo cancelled her next Community Council Meeting due to her health, but mentioned she was available by phone. She also encouraged the public to take precautions with regards to the Coronavirus.

Council Member Boelen reminded and public to practice personal hygiene in order to limit the potential for exposure to the Coronavirus.

Council Member Crabill noted a few events he attended in town that focused on women entrepreneurs. He also reminded the public of the March 28, 2020 meeting where he planned to discuss the proposed budget.

Executive Session - Cite Section

No executive session was held.

Adjournment

Council Member Black made a motion, seconded by Council Member Boelen, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried (viva voce).

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON	**ATTEST**
Tari Renner	Amanda Mohan
Tari Renner, Mayor	Amanda Mohan, Deputy City Clerk