

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, April 5, 1950, with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Aitken, Albea, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Councilman Boyd.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on March 29th were approved as submitted.

ORDINANCE (NO. 97) AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE ADOPTED.

Pursuant to the introduction on March 15, 1950 of an ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 97) to Amend Chapter 21 of the City Code with Respect to the Zoning Ordinance" to change the Building Zone Map from an R-2 to B-1 district on a lot located at the northwest corner of Remount Road at West Boulevard, and the adoption of a Resolution providing for a Public Hearing on April 5th, the Ordinance was again presented, and the Mayor announced that interested persons would be heard at this time.

No objections to the zoning change were registered, and Councilman Wilkinson moved the adoption of the ordinance. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aitken, and was unanimously adopted.

The Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 112.

REQUESTS FOR RENT DECONTROL AND AN UNDERPASS AT WEST TRADE STREET RAILROAD CROSSING MADE BY P. V. HUMPHREY.

A request was made by Mr. P. V. Humphry, 119 North Cedar Street, for the reconsideration of the decontrol of rents, and the construction of an Underpass at the West Trade Street railroad crossing.

Mayor Shaw stated he understood the matter of rent decontrol would probably again be presented to the Council. He also advised that a report will be made within the next few weeks of the grade crossing survey now being made, and the Council hopes to get the project underway during the present term of office.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE QUARTERMASTER DEPOT.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing the Industrial Committee of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce to Investigate and Negotiate with Respect to Obtaining the Quartermaster Depot" was introduced and read. Councilman Aitken moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and carried, with the votes cast as follows:

AYE: Councilmen Aitken, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson.

NAY: Councilman Albea.

Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 271.

SALE OF TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY CONFIRMED TO W. J. HILTON, SR.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that the sale of tax foreclosed property located at 1617-19 Seigle Avenue and sold at public auction on March 20, 1950, be confirmed to the highest bidder, W. J. Hilton, Sr., at \$500.00. Motion was seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried.

NAME OF CYRUS STREET CHANGED TO CYRUS ROAD.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the name of Cyrus Street was changed to Cyrus Road, as recommended by the Planning Board and City Engineer.

PLAT OF GRIFFIN PARK SUBDIVISION APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Aitken, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, approving the Plat of Griffin Park Subdivision, located at the city limits and Albemarle Road, as recommended by the Planning Board.

CURB CUTS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Aitken, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, the following curb cuts were authorized:

- (a) One 11-foot curb cut for driveway at 1650 Queens Road West.
- (b) One 8-foot curb cut for driveway at 2138 Hastings Drive.
- (c) Two 8-foot curb cuts at 1625-27 Club Road, for driveways.
- (d) One 20-foot curb cut at a point 50-feet from Liberty Street and ending at a point 144-feet from Morehead Street on Independence Boulevard.
- (e) Two 30-foot cuts at 2321 South Boulevard, separated by a 20-foot island.
- (f) One 30-foot curb cut on Atherton Street.

CONTRACT WITH DEVONSHIRE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY FOR WATER MAINS CONSTRUCTION IN DEVONSHIRE DEVELOPMENT, ABUTTING CAMBRIDGE ROAD.

Councilman Daughtry moved that a contract be authorized with Devonshire Development Company for the construction of 6,890 feet of water mains and 4 fire hydrants in Devonshire Development, abutting on Cambridge Road, etc., at an estimated cost of \$10,250.00, to serve six blocks of residential property; the City to finance all construction cost and applicant to guarantee a gross annual revenue equal to 10% of cost. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of new sanitary sewers at the following locations:

- (a) 680-feet of sewer in Providence Drive, at an estimated cost of \$2,260.00, to serve 9 family units.
- (b) 630-feet of sewer in Eastway Drive, at an estimated cost of \$1,790.00, to serve 9 family units and 7 vacant lots.
- (c) 5,110-feet of sewer and 1,237 feet of trunk line in Devonshire Development, at a total cost of \$13,160.00, to serve 11 family units and 78 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City and applicant's deposit of \$8,760.00 to be refunded in accordance with the terms of the contract.

SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM OF ROBERT J. GERMAN.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried, the claim of Robert J. German for property damage by City Garbage Truck was authorized paid in the amount of \$50.45.

CLAIM OF ABBOTT REALTY COMPANY DENIED.

Councilman Coddington moved that the claim of Abbott Realty Company, in the sum of \$14,000.00, for Rose Garden Property on Park Terrace be denied, as recommended by the City Attorney. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH S. M. BATTS FOR REPAINTING CITY HALL AND HEALTH BUILDING.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded S. M. Batts for furnishing labor, materials and equipment and supervision to repaint the interior and exterior of the City Hall and Health Building, as specified, for the total amount of \$9,500.00.

CONTRACT WITH GIBSON PIPING AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTING FURRTOWN TRUNK SEWER AND MYERS PARK SCHOOL PROJECT SEWERS.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried, authorizing a contract with Gibson Piping and Construction Company for constructing the Furrstown Trunk Sewer and Myers Park School Project sewers, as specified, on a unit price basis, at a total price of \$38,652.52.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO MUNICIPAL COURT BUDGET.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the transfer of \$100.00 from the Emergency Fund (Code 110) to the Municipal Court Budget, Travel Expense Account (Code 502 B-44) was authorized.

EMPLOYMENT OF FOUR ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL IN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Albea moved that the employment of four additional personnel in the Fire Department, as Fire Alarm Operators, be authorized. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET.

Motion was made by Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the transfer of \$2,100.00 from the Emergency Fund, (Code 110), to the Fire Department Budget, Monthly Salaries Account, (Code 402 A-8) for the four additional employees.

RESIGNATION OF MR. STERLING HICKS FROM PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION ACCEPTED.

Councilman Albea moved the acceptance of the resignation of Mr. Sterling Hicks from the Charlotte Park & Recreation Commission. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aitken, and unanimously carried.

The appointment of a successor to Mr. Hicks was deferred for one week.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT ISSUED TO HIGH WILL MANASS.

Councilman Albea moved that a Special Officer Permit be authorized issued to Hugh Will Manass for use on the premises of the Southern Railway Company Roadway Shops and Freight House, as requested. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF LEASING OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

The City Manager reported that leases for the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport have been concluded:

BUILDING NO.	LESSEE	MONTHLY RENTAL	DATE AND TERM OF LEASE	
286	Cliquot Club Distr. Co.	\$20.00	4-1-50	1 year
316	Canada Dry Ginger Ale Co.	\$20.00	3-1-50	1 year
119	Canada Dry Ginger Ale Co.	\$20.00	3-1-50	1 year

CEMETERY PLOTS TRANSFERRED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery

- (a) Deed to A. T. James and Ben R. James, for Lot #C in front of rows #17 and #18, in Section "A", North Pinewood Cemetery, at \$81.90.
- (b) Deed to M. C. Killian and wife, for Lot #302, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$122.85.
- (c) Deed to Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society, for Lot #7, in Section "A", Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Janie Cashion Sturgeon and Violet Sturgeon Henry, at \$1.00 for transfer.

CITY CLERK EXTENDED GREETINGS ON BIRTHDAY.

Mayor Shaw extended greetings to Mrs. Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk, on her birthday, in which the City Council concurred.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk