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The City Council met in regular weekly session in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, April 7, 1943, with Mayor Currie presiding and Councilmen Albea, Baker, Beasley, Daughtry, Hovis, Painter, Price, Ross, Slye and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilman Little.

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MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.

The minutes of the previous meeting, March 31st., were read by the Clerk and on motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Slye, were approved without change.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT WITH BOYD & GOFORTH RE: PAVING.

On motion of Councilman Daughtry, duly seconded by Councilman Albea and carried, a supplemental contract with Boyd & Goforth, Inc., containing alterations and changes in the original contract for paving of certain streets, as set forth in communications from Mr. W. E. Vest, Supt. of the Water Department, dated April 5th. and 7th., and proposal of Boyd & Goforth, Inc., dated March 18, 1943, was authorized.

CRUSHED STONE.

Bids having been called for and received for crushed stone to be used in connection with North Brevard Street improvements, as follows:

Caldwell Construction Co., total	\$3628.25
Southern Aggregates Corp. "	4025.15

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Albea, award of this contract was made to the low bidder, Caldwell Construction Company, at the net delivered price of \$3628.25, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign said contract.

PURCHASE OF OFFICE SUPPLIES FOR WATER DEPARTMENT.

Approval was given by the Council of an emergency purchase for the Water Department, of certain office supplies from the Bill Shaw Company, amounting to \$126.25, on motion made by Councilman Ross, seconded by Councilman Baker and unanimously carried.

SALE OF CITY PROPERTY - LOT 20 BLOCK 47, WEST BOULEVARD.

On motion of Councilman Baker, duly seconded by Councilman Ross and carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a deed to property on West Boulevard, being Lot 20, Block 47; which was authorized by the City Council to be advertised and sold at public auction; to the highest bidder, H. J. Robinson and wife, Victoria Robinson, at the price of \$100.00.

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IMPROVEMENT OF ROADWAYS IN PINEWOOD CEMETERY AUTHORIZED.

The City Manager reported that the roadways in Old Pinewood Cemetery were in bad shape, and asked for approval of the Council to have certain grading, filling and gravel work done on same, in the amount of \$250.00.

Thereupon, Councilman Ross moved that the sum of \$250.00 be appropriated from the Cemetery Improvement Fund (S.F.) for this work. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea and carried.

QUESTION OF WAGE INCREASE FOR MUNICIPAL COLORED EMPLOYEES REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The City Manager brought to the attention of the Council the question of loss of colored laborers from the various City departments employing this type of worker, due to the fact that they were only being paid \$70.00 per month or less, and were going to better paying jobs. A lengthy discussion was held, after which Councilman Daughtry made a motion that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee and the City Manager to make investigation and report back to the Council. This motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE OPERATION OF CERTAIN MUSIC MACHINES DURING NIGHT AND EARLY MORNING HOURS.

The following ordinance was read by the Clerk, and it was moved by Councilman Ross, seconded by Councilman Beasley, that same be adopted:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE:

Section 1. No person, firm or corporation shall operate or permit to be operated, within the corporate limits of the City of Charlotte, any phonograph player machine of the kind commonly called a juke-box, nickelodeon, or piccolo, or any music machine of any character capable of being operated by the insertion of one or more coins, slugs, or other objects, on any weekday before 7:00 A.M., or after 11:30 P.M.; no such machine shall be operated at any time on Sundays.

Section 2. Any owner, lessee or other person in control of the premises where any such machine is to be operated, may apply in writing to the Chief of Police of the City of Charlotte, for permission to operate such a machine beyond the hours of lawful operation established by Section 1. The Chief of Police shall issue such a permit, if, after notice to the applicant and a hearing, he finds that no detriment to public welfare, health or morals and no disturbances of the public peace and quiet will result from the operation of such a machine beyond the hours established above; in passing upon any such application, the Chief of Police shall consider the character of the applicant and the premises where the machine is to be operated, the nature of the occasion and of the neighborhood, and the expected attendance at such operation. Upon the issuance of the permit it shall be lawful to operate such a machine on the premises and during the hours designated in the permit. The permit may be issued for a specified day or for several consecutive days not exceeding seven.

Section 3. Any applicant whose application has been denied by the Chief of Police, may, within seven days from the receipt of the denial, appeal to the City Council by filing written notice of appeal with the City Clerk. The Council shall, after due notice to the appellant and the Chief, hold a hearing and, within the limitations set forth in Section 2, affirm or overrule the decision of the Chief of Police.

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Section 4. This ordinance shall be and become of full force and effect upon its adoption by the City Council.

Section 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and cause the same to be published.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Tillett and Campbell
City Attorneys.

Before the motion to adopt was put to a vote, a discussion was held regarding same and Councilman Slye stated he opposed the clause relative to not being permitted to operate on Sunday, due to the fact that a number of reputable places had invested large sums of money in their music machines and should not be penalized because of the disreputable places. Whereupon, Councilman Ward offered a substitute motion that the ordinance be referred to the Police Committee with the request that it report back at next Wednesday's meeting with an ordinance that would properly protect those mentioned by Councilman Slye. This motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and after discussion, Councilman Ross stated he would withdraw his motion in favor of Councilman Ward's, which was agreeable to Councilman Beasley, and Councilman Ward's motion being put to a vote, was unanimously carried and the matter was referred to the Police Committee for report back.

COMMITTEE TO WORK WITH MECKLENBURG COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON FINANCIAL MATTERS PERTAINING TO NEW ALARM SYSTEM FOR CIVILIAN DEFENSE APPOINTED BY MAYOR.

Mayor Currie announced that he would appoint on the Committee authorized at the last meeting to work with the Board of County Commissioners regarding funds for new alarm system for Civilian Defense, Councilmen Baker and Hovis.

MONEY APPROPRIATED FROM EMERGENCY FUND FOR CONDUCTING SCHOOL ON CANNING.

The Mayor stated that he had been called upon by Mrs. Willis, of State College District Home Agent, N. C. Extension Service, relative to a State grant of \$277.00 which will be available to Charlotte for the purpose of instructing Charlotte housewives in the art of canning food from their Victory gardens provided the City will match this fund with a like amount; this instruction to last for approximately three months, or during the summer months.

After discussion, Councilman Hovis moved that the sum of \$277.00 be appropriated from the Emergency Fund for this purpose, if legal. Motion seconded by Councilman Baker and carried.

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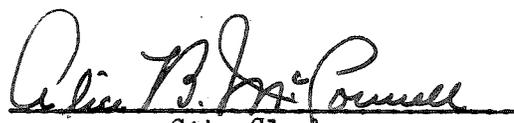
CEMETERY DEEDS.

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Albea, the following cemetery deeds and perpetual care agreements were ordered issued:

Wm. Calhoun McIntire, Sr., Lot No. 39, A Annex, Elmwood	\$142.45
Perpetual care on same lot	101.75
Leon Newell Atkinson, Lot No. 47, A-Annex, Elmwood	147.70
Perpetual care on same	105.50
Mrs. Myrtle Cameron Williamson, Lot No. 35A Section "X"	75.25
Perpetual care on same	64.50
Estate of Tom Kutsis, N. Half Lot No. 88, Section "X"	70.00
Perpetual care on same	60.00
Mrs. Iela Polk, Lot No. 287 Section "Y"	35.00

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Ward the meeting then adjourned.


City Clerk