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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, December 11, 1940; Mayor Douglas presiding and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Britt, Hovis, Huntley, Little, Nance, Sides and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilman Wilkinson.

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 27TH. MEETING READ AND APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Albea, the minutes of the November 27th. meeting were approved as read.

CHARLOTTE NEWS EMPTY STOCKING FUND TO GIVE BENEFIT WRESTLING MATCH AT ARMORY-AUDITORIUM.

Mr. Burke Davis, Sports writer for The Charlotte News, requested free use of the Armory-Auditorium on December 16th., for a wrestling match, the proceeds of which will be used for the Charlotte News Empty Stocking Fund, and on motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried, this request was granted.

PURCHASE OF PIPE IN CONNECTION WITH SEWER WORK.

The following bids having been received on 2604 feet of 8" No. 1 Terra Cotta Pipe, to be used at various locations in connection with sewer work:

Doggett Lumber Company	\$631.47
Tucker-Kirby Company	643.11
Isenhour Brick & Coal Co.	669.36
Charlotte Lumber Corp.	681.99
Building Materials Co.	681.99
Cathey Lumber Company	681.99
Caldwell Construction Co.	681.99

Councilman Sides made a motion that the award be made to the lowest bidder, Doggett Lumber Company, at a net delivered price of \$631.47, and that the Mayor and Clerk sign the contract. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT FOR AUTOMATIC CHECK VALVES.

The City Manager reported the following bids received on -

1- 4" Detector Check Valve, Fig. 1360	
2- 6" " " " " "	
1- 8" " " " " "	

Grinnell Company, Inc.	\$676.00
Globe Automatic Spkl.Co.	693.00

and on motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Albea and carried, award of this contract was made to the lowest bidder, Grinnell Company, Inc., at a net delivered price of \$676.00, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign said contract.

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PURCHASE OF 12 MONTHS SUPPLY OF CHEMICALS FOR WATER PURIFICATION AND DISPOSAL PLANTS.

The City Manager reported that bids were received on December 10th. for a 12-months supply of Chemicals to be used in Water Purification and Disposal Plant work, as follows:

SECTION I. 180 Tons Aluminum Sulphate

Activated Alum Corporation	\$4,811.40
American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp.	5,076.00
Penn Salt Mfg. Company	5,256.00
Hercules Powder Company	5,256.00

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Britt, contract for this section was awarded to the lowest bidder, Activated Alum Corporation, on a unit price basis of \$27.00 per ton, or a net delivered price of \$4,811.40, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

SECTION II. 175 Tons Chemical Hydrate Lime.

Southern States Lime Corp.	\$1,764.00
The Standard Lime & Stone Company	1,778.00
Tucker-Kirby Company	1,828.75
M. J. Grove Lime Company	1,843.75
Caldwell Construction Company	1,883.00
Doggett Lumber Company	1,883.00
Charlotte Lumber Corp.	1,883.00
Gager Lime Company	1,883.00
J. L. Wiggins & Son Lumber Company	1,982.75

Contract for furnishing this section was awarded to the low bidder, Southern States Lime Corporation, on a unit price basis of \$10.33 per ton, representing a net delivered price of \$1,764.00, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign same, on motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

SECTION III. 60 Tons Ferric Chloride

Diamond Alkali Company	\$2,970.00
E. I. duPont de Nemours Company	2,970.00
Innis, Speiden & Company	2,970.00

Mr. Armstrong advised that last year there were only two bidders on this particular item, E. I. duPont de Nemours Company and Innis, Speiden & Company, and that the prices bid were the same. The contract was awarded the duPont Company. Therefore, it was his recommendation that this order be placed with Innis, Speiden & Company. Thereupon, Councilman Nance made a motion that contract be awarded the Innis, Speiden & Company, as recommended by the City Manager, on a unit price basis of \$50.00 per ton, or a net delivered price of \$2,970.00 and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign this contract. Motion seconded by Councilman Little and unanimously carried.

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SECTION IV. 26,000 Tons Liquid Chlorine

Arnold Hoffman & Company	\$1,930.50
American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp.	2,059.20
Monsanto Chemical Company	2,059.20
Hercules Powder Company	2,059.20
Penn Salt Mfg. Company	2,059.20
Solvay Sales Company	2,059.20
Diamond Alkali Company	2,059.20
Caldwell Construction Company	2,059.20

Mr. Armstrong reported that the lowest bid submitted on this item, that of Arnold Hoffman & Company, on Bell Alkali products, has been found in the past not to be satisfactory and, therefore, it is believed that the best interest of the City will be served by placing the order elsewhere than with the lowest bidder. It was his recommendation that contract be awarded to the Solvay Sales Company, on a unit price basis of .08¢ per pound, representing a net delivered price of \$2,059.20.

On motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Sides and carried, the City Manager's recommendation that the order be placed with the Solvay Sales Company, was approved, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign contract with this company on the basis above outlined, totaling net delivered price of \$2,059.20.

SECTION V. 42,000 Pounds Activated Carbon

Activated Alum Corp.	\$1,642.41
American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp.	1,663.20
West Virginia Pulp & Paper Company	1,663.20
L. A. Salomon & Bros.	1,787.94
Hercules Powder Company	2,079.00

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Hovis and unanimously carried, contract for furnishing this item was awarded to the lowest bidder, Activated Alum Corporation, on a unit price basis of .0395¢ per pound, or a net delivered price of \$1,642.41, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

SECTION VI. 6,000 Pounds Anhydrous Ammonia

On this section, the City Manager reported that the lowest bidder, The Cheney Company, is a small establishment in Cleveland, Ohio, which repacks ammonia for sale, and that he is unable to satisfy himself that they could furnish this ammonia.

The bids received on this item are as follows:

The Cheney Chemical Company	\$1,005.00
Monsanto Chemical Company	1,050.00
Selby & Hines	1,050.00
Penn Salt Mfg. Company	1,050.00
American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp.	1,050.00

On motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Little, the City Manager's recommendation that award on this item be made to the Monsanto Chemical Company, on a unit price basis of .17½¢ per pound, or a net delivered price of \$1,050.00, was approved and the Mayor and Clerk were instructed to execute contract on behalf of the City of Charlotte.

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PURCHASE OF SHRUBBERY FOR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Bids on Shrubbery to be planted on the Memorial Hospital grounds are as follows:

200 pieces of Shrubbery, various sizes, to conform with specifications of the Hospital Landscape Architect:

Harkey Bros. Nurseries, Inc.	\$ 241.00
Mecklenburg Nurseries, Inc.	260.50

This shrubbery will be paid for by the Charlotte Memorial Hospital Association, however, contract is to be awarded by the City Council, as title to this property is vested in the City of Charlotte. Councilman Sides made a motion that contract be awarded to the lowest bidder, Harkey Bros. Nurseries, Inc., at the price of \$241.00 and that the Mayor and Clerk sign same. Motion seconded by Councilman Baxter and unanimously carried.

SEWER EXTENSION IN MASON CIRCLE.

On motion of Councilman Little, seconded by Councilman Huntley, approval was given for the extension of an 8" sanitary sewer in Mason Circle, from the Plaza, 231 feet east, to serve one house under construction and another proposed; estimated cost of this extension to be \$221.87.

RELOCATION OF SANITARY SEWER AT 1416 EAST MOREHEAD STREET.

Mr. Armstrong reported receipt of a request from Mr. Ruben Hatcher to re-locate the 12" sanitary sewer and manhole at 1416 East Morehead Street, so that this lot may be used to erect a residence without the sewer line coming under the proposed house. Estimated cost of doing this work is \$345.95, and the City Manager recommended that this sewer be placed in the alley at the rear of this lot.

After discussion, Councilman Hovis moved that the request be granted and the sewer be re-located. Motion seconded by Councilman Ward and carried.

P & N RAILWAY COMPANY TO INSTALL TRACK ACROSS WEST SECOND STREET.

Report was made of request from the Piedmont and Northern Railway Company for permission to install an additional track across West Second Street, between Graham Street and the present P & N tracks, with the understanding that they take care of any additional drainage that is made necessary now or at any future date due to this installation. Mr. Armstrong stated that this is an industrial section and that there are at least six other tracks across this block, and he recommended that permission for this installation be granted.

On motion of Councilman Britt, seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried, permission was given for this additional track installation.

LEASE OF HOUSE AT JUNEAU FROM SOUTHERN RAILWAY FOR USE AS OFFICE IN CONNECTION WITH WORK AT THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

On motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman

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Ward, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign an agreement with the Southern Railway wherein the Railway Company agrees to lease to the City of Charlotte a two-room house at Juneau, to be used as an office for men working at the Municipal Airport, at a monthly rental of \$3.00.

THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER GRANTED FREE USE OF ARMORY AUDITORIUM FOR PRESENTATION OF THE "MESSIAH".

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Hovis and unanimously carried, the Charlotte Observer was granted free use of the Armory-Auditorium on Tuesday, December 17th. for presentation of the "Messiah".

EMPLOYMENT.

The City Manager reported that he had promoted J. R. Robinson from operator in the Radio Division to Chief Operator, succeeding T. C. Woods, resigned, and that he had employed L. W. Terry to fill the position of operator made vacant by the promotion of Mr. Robinson.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT FOR RAYMOND WILSON DENIED.

The request of the Miller & Smith Market that Raymond Wilson be appointed a special police officer for work on their premises was denied by motion of Councilman Little, seconded by Councilman Hovis and carried.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Ward and unanimously carried, the City Hall will be closed from 12 o'clock Noon, December 24th. through December 26th., re-opening on December 27th. 1940, for the Christmas holidays.

ONE THOUSAND COPIES OF BUILDING CODE TO BE PRINTED.

Mr. Armstrong stated that prices had been received on printing 1,000 copies of the Building Code, and 1,000 copies of the Fire Prevention Ordinance, and that while the Committee is not yet ready to report on this matter, the Inspection Division is badly in need of printed copies of the Building Code and he recommended that authority be given for printing 1000 copies of this Code and that the money to do so be taken from the Emergency Fund.

On motion of Councilman Little, seconded by Councilman Ward, the City Manager's recommendation was approved, and 1,000 copies of the Building Code only, are to be printed.

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APPOINTMENT OF MR. A. L. McHAM AS CLERK OF RECORDER'S COURT.

Mr. Armstrong reported that he had appointed Mr. A. L. McHam as Clerk of City Recorder's Court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. A. P. White.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING POLICE DEPARTMENT SUBMITTED FOR STUDY.

Several copies of the Rules and Regulations governing the Police Department, as submitted by the new Chief of Police, Harry Joyner, were in the hands of the City Manager, and on motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Sides, copies are to be furnished to each member of the Council for one week's study.

CHESTER NIXON REQUESTED STREETS TO NEW BALL PARK BE FIXED.

Chester Nixon appeared before the Council asking that they take action in connection with the fixing of Magnolia Avenue, Lyndhurst Avenue and Ideal Way, to unbottle these streets before the new Ball Park is opened in the spring. Mayor Douglas advised Mr. Nixon that this matter had been discussed with Mr. Griffith and that he had certain ideas to carry out and that it would be best to leave this to Mr. Griffith and his committee. He also stated that the Council will work with Mr. Griffith in this connection.

USE OF ARMORY-AUDITORIUM FEBRUARY 23, 1941 GRANTED TO RELIGIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE BUREAU (COLORED).

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Ward, the Religious Public Service Bureau, Inc. (colored) was granted free use of the Armory-Auditorium on Sunday, February 23, 1941, in connection with a demonstration of the organization's cooperation in the Home and National Defense program.

COUNCILMAN SIDES CONGRATULATES MAYOR DOUGLAS ON SPLENDID WORK DONE BY HIM IN CONNECTION WITH SECURING THE ARMY AIR BASE AT THE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Councilman Sides congratulated Mayor Douglas on the splendid work done by him in connection with the Army Air Base for the City of Charlotte, stating that every citizen of Charlotte should be proud of the fine work done by the Mayor.

Councilman Sides also introduced at this time, Mr. E. F. Monroe, the new Smoke Abatement Engineer, and Mr. T. W. Day, representative of Appalachian Coals Incorporated, who came to Charlotte to offer assistance to Mr. Monroe and the City in connection with the study of smoke conditions. Mr. Day made a very interesting talk, in which he stated that proper firing with first class equipment will reduce smoke from coal and also save money for the consumers, and that the cooperation of the coal dealers, householders and commercial building owners and managers will be necessary if anything is to be accomplished in Charlotte.

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CEMETERY DEEDS AND PERPETUAL CARE AGREEMENTS.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Little, the following Cemetery Deeds and Perpetual Care Agreements were approved for issuing:

Arthur Carl Lee, Lot No. 23, G-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery	\$140.00
Perpetual care on same-	100.00
James M. Yandle, Lot No. 43, G-Annex, " "	140.00
Perpetual care on same-	100.00
Allen M. White, Lot No. 44, G-Annex, " "	140.00
Perpetual care on same-	100.00
H. C. Hull, Lot No. 249, Section "Y", " "	35.00
Mrs. C. R. L. Kelley, Lot No. 250, Section "Y" "	35.00

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

Alice B. McConnell
City Clerk