

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, December 22, 1948, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, McKee and White present.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting, on December 15th, were approved as submitted.

REQUEST FOR REISSUANCE OF TAXICAB OPERATOR'S PERMIT BY ELMORE BRIGMAN DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT MEETING.

Mr. Elmore Brigman stated that his permit to operate a taxicab was revoked about two years ago and he appealed for its reissuance.

Mayor Baxter advised Mr. Brigman that the matter would be reviewed and considered and a decision would be given him at the next Council Meeting.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT WITH SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY COMPANY IN CONNECTION WITH THE HAWTHORNE LANE UNDERPASS.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Contract with the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company in Connection with the Hawthorne Lane Underpass" was introduced and read. Councilman White moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 151.

CONFIRMATION OF SALE OF TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY AT 1649-55 SCOTLAND AVENUE TO MR. IRA TURNER.

Councilman Childs moved the confirmation of the sale of tax foreclosed property, being a small triangular parcel of land at 1649-55 Scotland Avenue, at \$25.00 to Mr. Ira Turner, the high bidder at the public auction on December 6th. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the transfer of \$265.00 was authorized from the Emergency Fund (Code 110) to the Accounting Department, Capital Outlay Account (Code 1202 G-14) for the purchase of a Todd Protectorgraph Machine.

PLAT OF BIDDLE HEIGHTS ANNEX #2 SUBDIVISION APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, approving the plat of Biddle Heights Annex #2 Subdivision, as recommended by the Planning Board.

CANCELLATION OF LEASE WITH NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD, AIR ARM UNIT, FOR SITE AT AIRPORT FOR SKEET RANGE.

Councilman McKee moved that the lease approved on November 1, 1948 with the North Carolina National Guard, Air Arm Unit, for site at Douglas Municipal Airport for a Skeet Range, be cancelled as requested. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

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SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY GRANTED PERMISSION TO REMOVE TREE AT INTERSECTION OF WEST 11th AND NORTH POPLAR STREETS.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, permission was granted Southern Bell Telephone Company to remove a tree at the northeast corner of West 11th Street at the intersection of North Poplar Street, due to the installation of a telephone box under the sidewalk that will render the tree unsafe.

CONSTRUCTION OF A SANITARY SEWER IN BANCROFT STREET APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of a sanitary sewer in Bancroft Street, from ^Norris Avenue north toward Virginia Avenue, to serve a church building and one vacant lot, at an estimated cost of \$19932, to be borne by the City.

CONTRACT WITH SHARON WATER COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS IN WOODHAVEN LANE.

Councilman Albea moved the approval of a contract with the Sharon Water Company for the construction of water mains on the north side of Woodhaven Lane, off the Sharon Road, outside the city limits, at an estimated cost of \$1,100.00 to be borne by the applicant. Motion seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.

Motion was made by Councilman McKee, seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried, authorizing contracts for purchases, and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary, as follows:

- (a) Contract with Pomona Terra Cotta Company, for 2,301 feet of pipe, at a net delivered price of \$989.43, for the Engineering Department.
- (b) Contract with North Carolina Equipment Company, for One International Industrial Side-Mounted Mower, completely installed on Tractor, at a net delivered price of \$385.00, for street maintenance.
- (c) Contract with Avrett & Ledbetter Roofing and Heating Company for furnishing and installing a Williamson Oil Unit complete, in the Mint Museum of Art Building, at a net delivered price of \$655.00.
- (d) Purchase of 75,000 Postal Cards from the Charlotte Postmaster at a price of \$750.00, for the Water Department.

REPORT OF SALE OF USED AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT.

The City Manager reported the sale of the following cars on December 15th by auction at E. M. Stafford's Used Car Mart, pursuant to a resolution adopted on December 31, 1946 authorizing the sale of used automotive equipment:

<u>MAKE AND KIND</u>	<u>PURCHASER</u>	<u>SELLING PRICE</u>
1936 Chevrolet Sedan	C & W Motors, Concord, N.C.	\$ 70.00
1939 Chevrolet Sport Sedan	C & W Motors, Concord, N.C.	200.00
1939 Chevrolet Sedan	Blair Auto Co. Montone, N.C.	265.00
	Total	<u>\$535.00</u>
	Less Auctioneer's Fees of \$5 each	15.00
	NET SELLING PRICE	<u>\$520.00</u>

HOLIDAY GRANTED EMPLOYEES ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, a holiday was granted City Employees on January 1st, 1949, in observance of New Year's Day.

CEMETERY DEED TRANSFERRED.

Motion was made by Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a deed with Mrs. Grace Hucks for the transfer from Mrs. Nena W. Ritch of Lot 292, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery - cost of transfer \$1.00.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN THE PRESENTATION OF UNDOCKETED ITEMS.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Albea, the following undocketed items were presented with the unanimous consent of Council.

COUNCIL MEETING DISPENSED WITH ON DECEMBER 29th.

Motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, that no Council Meeting be held on December 29th, and the next meeting be held on January 5, 1949.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STATE HIGHWAY & PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, AND ALSO PROPERTY OWNERS ALONG SUPER HIGHWAY, TO REMOVE TREES AND SHRUBS FROM PARKING STRIP ON HIGHWAY.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing State Highway and Public Works Commission to Remove Trees Along Super Highway" was presented and read, authorizing the Commission and property owners along the super highway from East 7th Street north to the city limits, to remove trees and shrubs from the parking strips. Councilman Childs moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 152.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICY WITH RESPECT TO LAYING AND CONNECTING SEWER AND WATER LINES OUTSIDE THE CITY TO THE CITY SYSTEM.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Establishing Policy with Respect To Laying and Connecting Water and Sewer Lines" was presented and read, providing that the City not enter into further contracts with respect to laying and connecting water and sewer lines outside the city to the city system. Motion was made by Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried that the resolution be adopted as read. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 152.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Leslie R. Hoffman
City Clerk