

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, December 5, 1951, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Boyd, Coddington, Dellinger, Jordan and Van Every present.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by the Reverend Alfred C. Cole, Rector of St. Martin's Episcopal Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Jordan and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on November 28th were approved as submitted.

HEARING RELATIVE TO BENEFITS CONFERRED UPON PROPERTY WITHIN THE IMPROVEMENT AREA OF BALDWIN CIRCLE CONTINUED UNTIL MEETING ON DECEMBER 19, 1951.

Councilman Baxter moved that the hearing relative to benefits conferred upon property within the improvement area of Baldwin Circle be continued until 4 o'clock p.m., on December 19th. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Every, and unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE TO BE APPOINTED TO STUDY PROBLEM OF ALCHOLISM AT REQUEST OF REVEREND ALFRED C. COLE.

The Reverend Alfred C. Cole requested that the Mayor and Council appoint a Committee to make a study of alcholism as it now exists in Charlotte, with the view toward the establishment of a Clinic for Alcholics to aid and rehabilitate those persons who are victims of alcholism.

Councilman Albea moved that a Committee be appointed as requested. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.

Mayor Shaw stated that he was vitally interested in the matter and at his request Mr. Cole advised that he will be glad to work with the Committee.

REQUEST TAKEN UNDER CONSIDERATION THAT SPECIFICATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL CONSTRUCTION WORK CONTAIN RESTRICTION THAT ONLY LOCAL PERSONNEL BE EMPLOYED OTHER THAN SUPERVISORS.

Mr. Walter Hooker, spokesman for a delegation representing the Charlotte Building and Construction Council, stated that many out-of-town workers are being transported to Charlotte for work on construction jobs, including those financed by the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, and are paid substandard wages or heavy fees for transportation, while local workers are forced to seek employment away from Charlotte. He stated further that this practice is unfair competition and requested that the City Council include in all specifications for municipal construction work that only local personnel may be employed in such jobs, other than those persons in supervisory capacities. Mr. Hooker requested that the Council study the request and render a decision.

Councilman Albea moved that the matter be taken under consideration and a decision be rendered as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Every, and unanimously carried.

Councilman Boyd requested that the City Attorney give the Council an opinion as to the legality of such action by the Council.

REQUEST THAT CONTRACT FOR PAINTING WATER TANKS BE AWARDED TO LOCAL PAINTERS TAKEN UNDER CONSIDERATION.

Mr. C. P. Murphy, painting contractor, stated he understood that the City will shortly have two water tanks repainted, and he requested that the contract be awarded to local painters.

Mayor Shaw advised that the Council will be glad to do all possible to favor the local contractors, at the same time big prices must be considered in the expenditure of taxpayers funds.

NAME OF LAKE STREET CHANGED TO RALEIGH STREET.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the name of Lake Street was changed to Raleigh Street, as recommended by the Planning Board and City Engineer, upon the petition of the property owner, J. A. Jones Construction Company.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS APPROVED.

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

- (a) 1,419 feet of sewer main and trunk sewer in Remount Avenue and Watson Drive, at an estimated cost of \$3,590.00, to serve 22 family units and 10 vacant lots, at request of E. J. Withrow, 2537 Wilkinson Boulevard. All costs to be borne by the City.
- (b) 46 feet of sewer main in East 13th Street, at an estimated cost of \$150.00, to serve 2 business units, at request of Gittlin Charlotte Bag Company, with all costs to be borne by the City.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the construction of driveway entrances at the following locations was approved:

- (a) One 8 foot entrance at 1639 Garden Terrace.
- (b) One 20 foot entrance at 1761 Maryland Avenue.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY GRANTED CITY EMPLOYEES.

Councilman Albea moved that Monday and Tuesday, December 24th and 25th be granted as Christmas Holidays to city employees, and that the Council Meeting on December 26th be dispensed with. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

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

BUILDING NO.	LESSEE	MONTHLY RENTAL	DATE AND TERM OF LEASE
72	Cotton Mill Machinery Co.	\$91.80	10-1-51 1 year
112	Jinks Caldwell	8.00	12-1-51 month to month
61	Morris Field Soda Shop	28.84	12-1-51 5 years

SALE OF SURPLUS BUILDING NO. 322 AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TO STEELE CREEK AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 221.

Councilman Alba moved that the request of Steele Creek American Legion Post No. 221 to purchase surplus Building No. 322 at Douglas Municipal Airport at a price of \$200.00 be granted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION RENEWING AND REAFFIRMING THE RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL DATED OCTOBER 4, 1951 REQUESTING THE CLOSING AND RELOCATING OF A PORTION OF DIXIE ROAD.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Renewing and Reaffirming the Resolution of the Council dated October 4, 1951 requesting the Closing and Relocating of a Portion of Dixie Road", was introduced and read. Councilman Coddington moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Van Every, and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 449.

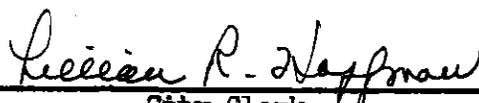
CLOCK FOR RECORDER'S COURT ROOM AUTHORIZED PURCHASED.

Councilman Dellinger reported for the Committee appointed by Mayor Shaw to investigate the need for the installation of a clock in the Recorder's Court Room. He advised that in the opinion of the Committee a clock should be so erected, and stated that the Western Union Telegraph Company will install a clock without charge on a monthly-rental basis, also, that M. B. Smith Jewelers will install a clock bearing their advertisement without charge, or that a clock similar to those throughout the City Hall may be purchased and installed at a cost of \$16.00.

Councilman Coddington moved that the City purchase a clock similar to those in the City Hall at a cost of \$16.00 in case a surplus one is not available, and have it installed in the Recorder's Court Room. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

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



City Clerk