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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., on Wednesday, February 14, 1945, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Bullard, Cope, Daughtry, Hovis, Painter, Price and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilmen Baker and Slye.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Atkins, duly seconded by Councilman Albea, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

REQUEST FOR ADVERTISEMENT IN N. C. EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION MAGAZINE APPROVED IF LEGAL.

A representative of the North Carolina Educational Association requested that an advertisement be taken by the City in the issue of their magazine that will be devoted to the schools in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County. Councilman Atkins moved that the advertisement be placed in the magazine if the City Attorneys ruled that it can be done legally, and that \$100.00 be appropriated from the Emergency Fund to cover the cost. Motion seconded by Councilman Bullard, and unanimously carried.

OBJECTION OFFERED TO AMENDMENT OF SECTION 50 OF THE CITY CHARTER.

Mr. L. L. Ledbetter, City Treasurer, offered an objection to the proposed amendment to Section 50 of the City's Charter by striking out from Subsection (1) "provided, further, that in the event that the City of Charlotte shall become the purchaser or owner of any real property in the enforcement of such tax liens, said real property so acquired may be sold by the City of Charlotte after one year from the date of its acquisition, at either public or private sale, and without public outcry."

The City Manager was directed to request Senator Blythe to postpone action on said amendment in the Legislature for one week until a decision on the matter was reached by Council.

SALE OF PIPE AND GATE VALVE TO BLYTHE BROS. COMPANY APPROVED.

Councilman Albea moved that the sale of 24 feet of cast iron pipe at \$150.00 and a Gate Valve at \$33.00 to Blythe Bros. Company from the Water Department Stock be approved. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR WATER WORKS IMPROVEMENTS TO A. H. GUION & COMPANY.

Councilman Daughtry moved that contracts be awarded A. H. Guion & Company, low bidder, on all three sections of the Water Works Improvements, at a total price of \$63,526.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Hovis, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED RALPH E. TORRENCE FOR SHIRTS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Councilman Hovis moved that contract be awarded Ralph E. Torrence, Charlotte, for 312 shirts for the Police Department, at a total price of \$920.40. Motion seconded by Councilman Price, and unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF REPAIR PARTS FOR FIRE TRUCK.

Upon motion of Councilman Atkins, seconded by Councilman Cope,

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purchase of repair parts for the American LaFrance Fire Truck were unanimously approved, at a net delivered price of \$105.96, from American LaFrance Foamite Corporation.

EMERGENCY FUND APPROPRIATION MADE TO CHARLOTTE PLANNING BOARD.

Councilman Hovis moved that \$1,500.00 be appropriated from the Emergency Fund for the general expenses of the Charlotte Planning Board through June 30, 1945, as requested by the Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Ward, and carried by a vote of six to three, with Councilmen Atkins, Cope and Painter voting against the motion.

NOTICE OF CLAIM FOR PERSONAL INJURIES TO WILLIE WILLIAMS.

The City Manager advised notice of claim for alleged injuries to Willie Williams on November 19, 1944, had been received from Bowser and Harris, Attorneys. That notice had been referred to the City Attorneys.

TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY AT 1022 SEIGLE AVENUE AUTHORIZED ADVERTISED FOR SALE.

Councilman Atkins moved that tax foreclosed property at 1022 Seigle Avenue (being Tax Suit No. 463, City vs. Dowd Investment Company et al) be advertised for sale, and no bids be accepted for less than \$340.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Ward, and unanimously carried.

EMERGENCY FUND APPROPRIATION APPROVED FOR PAINTING DIRECTION SIGNS ON BUILDINGS FOR AIR PILOTS.

Councilman Hovis moved that \$150.00 be appropriated from the Emergency Fund for use by the Civil Air Patrol to paint location signs on two buildings for service to Air Pilots. Motion seconded by Councilman Bullard, and unanimously carried.

REQUEST MADE BY J. L. WILKINSON FOR SIDEWALKS AND CURB CONSTRUCTION IN CLAYTON DRIVE REFERRED TO CITY ATTORNEY.

Mr. J. L. Wilkinson requested Council to have the sidewalks and curbs in Clayton Drive immediately constructed. He was advised that the matter had been discussed at the last Council Meeting and an opinion had been requested of the City Attorneys regarding the availability of funds for such purposes. He was also advised the opinion of the City Attorneys would probably be available at next week's meeting.

CEMETERY DEEDS APPROVED FOR TRANSFER.

Upon motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Hovis, the following cemetery deeds were approved for transfer:

P.T. Freeland and wife, Maribelle W. Freeland, south half Lot 125, in Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$70.00.
Perpetual Care Deed to above lot, \$60.00.
Mrs. Joseph Hoske, Lot 327, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, \$35.00.
Perpetual Care Deed to above lot, \$25.00.
W. D. Broockey, North Half, Lot 129, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, \$70.00
Perpetual Care Deed to above lot, \$60.00.
Mrs. Mary Vance Van Every, Lot 108, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, \$119.00.
Perpetual Care Deed to above lot, \$102.00.
Mrs. J. W. Ritch, Lot 35-C, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, \$75.25.
Perpetual Care Deed to above lot, \$64.50.
Mrs. ~~Sara~~ E. Austin and H. P. Austin, Lot 67, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, \$84.00.
Perpetual Care Deed to above lot, \$72.00.
Perpetual Care on south-half Lot 10, Section J, Elmwood Cemetery, belonging to Mrs. S. A. Kittrell, at \$50.00.

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Mrs. J. C. Wilson, Lot 135, in Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$63.00.
Mrs. W. M. Weaver, Lot 152, in Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$63.00.
Mrs. Foy Cooper and Mrs. Mattie McElhose, Lot 8, Section F-Annex, in Elmwood Cemetery, at \$82.60.
Mrs. S. B. Thompson, Lots No. 345 and 353, in Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$61.60.
John G. Tatsis, Lot 302, in Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$35.00.
Corrie P. Chisholm, Lots 3 and 4, in Section "Luke", Pinewood Cemetery, at \$52.50.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded by Councilman Daughtry, the meeting was adjourned.

William R. Hoffman
City Clerk