

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, February 23, 1949, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, McKee and White present.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilmen Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted.

ORDINANCE (NO.62) AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE.

Pursuant to the adoption of a resolution on February 2nd, the hearing was held with regard to amending the Zoning Ordinance to change from R-2 to B-1 district the area at South Fox Street and Shorter Avenue.

No objections to the change were voiced, and motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried adopting the ordinance as presented. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 29.

ORDINANCE (NO.63) AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE.

The hearing with regard to amending the Zoning Ordinance was held in accordance with the resolution adopted on February 2nd, to change the phraseology relative to the uses in R-1, R-2, B-1 and B-2 districts.

There being no objections registered to the change, Councilman McKee moved the adoption of the ordinance as read. Motion seconded by Councilman DeLaney, and unanimously carried. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 29.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO REPORT ON SANITARY AND DRAINAGE CONDITIONS IN ELON STREET AND VICINITY.

Mayor Baxter appointed Councilmen Childs and White as a Committee to investigate with the City Manager and City Engineer the sanitary and drainage conditions in Elon Street and vicinity, and report on same at the next meeting. A second petition was filed by residents of this area requesting that immediate steps be taken to improve conditions. The City Manager reported that a survey had been made and the cost of a sewer trunk line to serve these twenty housing units was estimated at \$19,240.00.

REQUEST DENIED FOR REINSTATEMENT OF REVOKED TAXICAB OPERATOR'S LICENSE.

The request of Mr. W. A. McCulley for the reinstatement of his Taxicab Operator's Permit, which was revoked in 1943 due to violations and convictions of the taxicab regulations, was denied. Lieut. McCall, Taxicab Inspector reviewed the record of Mr. McCulley during the period he operated a Cab, and since the revocation of his Permit, which indicated a number of offenses and convictions.

ACTION DEFERRED RELATIVE TO AMBULANCES OBSERVING TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

Action was deferred on a proposal to require ambulances to observe traffic regulations, and the City Attorney was directed to draft an ordinance for presentation at the next meeting to improve conditions with particular regard to the speeding of ambulances.

ACTION RESCINDED REQUIRING PAYMENT OF PAST DUE RENTAL ON AIRPORT BUILDING BY CHARLOTTE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, action taken on January 19th that the Charlotte Amateur Radio Club make payment of past due rental from June 1, 1948 to January 1, 1949, at \$3.00 per month, on Airport Building No. 364, was rescinded.

STREET NAMES CHANGED.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the following changes were made in the names of streets:

Old Monroe Road was changed to "Washburn Avenue".
Morrison Boulevard was changed to "Wendover Road".
A new street off Atando Road north and east to Cornelius Street, in Robinson Park, was named "Leota Drive".

TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, authorizing the transfer of \$100.00 from the Emergency Fund, Code 110, to the City Council Budget, Professional Services Account, Code 101 B-21.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWER MAINS.

Councilman White moved the approval of the construction of new sanitary sewer mains in the following locations. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried:

- (a) Contract with Marsh Land Company, for sewer mains in Wriston Place and Marsh Road, at an estimated cost of \$3,666.74, to serve 35 residential lots; said amount to be subsequently reimbursed in accordance with the terms of the contract.
- (b) Construction of sewer main in Merriman Avenue, to serve 4 houses started and 2 vacant lots, at an estimated cost of \$438.90, at the City's expense.
- (c) Construction of sewer in Burke Street, from Crest Street toward Whisnant Avenue, to serve one house started and two vacant lots, at an estimated cost of \$199.10, to be borne by the City.

ADVERTISEMENT OF LOT AT 401-05 SOUTH GRAHAM STREET.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the City Treasurer was authorized to advertise the lot at the southeast corner of South Graham Street and West Second Street, known as 401-05 South Graham Street, upon receipt of 5% deposit as a guarantee to bid \$2,000.00 for said lot.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS.

Councilman DeLaney moved that Special Officer Permits be granted to Carl J. Eudy on the premises of the City's Cemeteries, and renewal permit be issued to M. F. Patterson for use on the premises of the A & P Tea Company. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS FOR MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASES.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, authorizing contracts for the following purchases, and the allocation of funds therefor, if required:

- (a) Contract with Blythe Bros Company, for the installation of sanitary sewers in Dixie Manor Subdivision, on a unit price basis, representing a total bid of \$19,429.42.
- (b) Contract with Belk Bros. Company for Uniforms for the Fire Department, as specified in the contract, on a unit price basis, representing a net delivered price of \$5,113.93.
- (c) Contract with Belk Bros. Company for Uniforms for the Police Department, as specified in the contract, on a unit price basis, representing a net delivered price of \$3,760.56.
- (d) Contract with Chicago Pump Company, for Pump Repair Parts at a price of \$267.28, f.o.b. shipping point.
- (e) Contract with Graybar Electric Company, Inc. for Three Controllers and Two Master Timers, at a net delivered price of \$970.00.
- (f) Contract with Pomona Terra-Cotta Company, for 1,101 feet of pipe, at a price of \$473.43.
- (g) Contract with Contractors Service, Inc., for a Dragline Bucket, at a delivered price of \$600.00, subject to cash discount ten days of \$31.00.
- (h) Contract with The Charlotte Observer, for the publication of the Building Zone Map, at a price of \$200.00, and the transfer of \$235.00 from the Emergency Fund to the Planning Board Budget, Code 109, for payment of same.

LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

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

| BUILDING NO. | LESSEE | MONTHLY RENTAL | DATE AND TERM OF LEASE |
|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------------|
| 33 | Dixie Manufacturing Company | \$15.00 | 2-1-49 Month to Month |
| 317 | Delph Hardware Company | \$40.00 | 1-15-49 1 year |
| 48 | Graphic Industries | \$25.00 | 9-1-48 1 year |

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR ZONING.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, the following members of the Board of Adjustment for Zoning were appointed:

Mr. William Shaw and Mr. R. P. Covington, as regular members, and Mr. Hugh Martin, Alternate member, reappointed for a term of three years, from January 22, 1949.

Mr. Fred McPhail appointed as an Alternate Member, for a term of three years, from January 22, 1949, succeeding Mr. W. Hill Smith.

ITEMS PRESENTED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF COUNCIL.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Albea, the following items, not included in the Docket, were presented with the unanimous consent of Council.

REPORT OF CHARLOTTE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The following report of the Charlotte Board of Health was presented by the City Manager:

"WHEREAS, The Charlotte Board of Health finds as a fact that there are a great many defective septic tanks and privies now within the corporate limits of Charlotte, and

WHEREAS, These defective installations, with their resultant improper disposal of human wastes, constitute a grave menace to public health, and

WHEREAS, These and other problems of environmental sanitation threaten to swamp the staff of the City Health Department, and

WHEREAS, It is impossible to extend the city sewers except in an orderly fashion, to serve the greatest numbers, and as funds are provided by further taxation or the issuance of bonds, or both, and

WHEREAS, This is a long term objective that may require years for its accomplishment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the citizens of Charlotte be fully apprised of the situation and the dangers inherent therein, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council is requested to provide four additional well-trained sanitarians, as recommended by the City Manager and the City Health Officer, to assist in the enforcement of the public health laws of the State and the City, looking to the correction of the above mentioned public health hazards.

THE CHARLOTTE BOARD OF HEALTH

Hamilton W. McKay, M.D. Chairman
Frank Ol Sherrill
D. Clyde Lisk
Ralph F. Jarrett
Monroe T. Gilmour, M.D."

CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT WITH MAJONNIER BROS. CO. FOR MILK TESTER AND THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the contract with Majonnier Bros. Co., dated April 8, 1948, for One Model D Milk Tester, at \$1,950.90, was cancelled, and said amount was transferred to the Health Department Budget, Monthly Salaries Account, Code 301-A-8.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM PAVING & OPENING OF STREETS ACCOUNT TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET.

Councilman McKee moved that \$4,100.00 be transferred from the Paving & Opening of Streets Account, Code 1513-A, to the Health Department as follows. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried:

\$2,570.00 to Monthly Salary Account, Code 301-8-A
\$ 970.00 to Car Allowance Account, Code 301-10-B
\$ 560.00 to Building Supplies Account, Code 301-4-C

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EMPLOYMENT OF ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, authorizing the employment of additional personnel in the Health Department, as recommended by the Board of Health and Chief Health Officer.

REMOVAL OF TREE AT 616-618 MORAVIAN LANE.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, Mr. W. E. Love was authorized to remove a tree from the planting strip at 616-618 Moravian Lane.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION TO APPOINT A CITY BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing the Park and Recreation Commission to Appoint a City Beautification Commission" was presented by Mayor Baxter, who recommended its adoption in the interest of the beautification of the City and the preservation of life by the prevention of fires and spread of disease. Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Childs, the resolution was unanimously adopted as presented. The Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 158.

ADJOURNMENT.

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


City Clerk