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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 7, 1945, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Baker, Cope, Daughtry, Hovis, Slye and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilmen Bullard, Painter and Price.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Albea, the minutes of the meetings of January 24th and 31st were approved as read.

LONG RANGE RECREATION PLAN FOR CHARLOTTE PRESENTED BY REPRESENTATIVE OF NATIONAL RECREATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Chas. H. Stone, Chairman, Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission, introduced Mr. George D. Butler, Director of Research of the National Recreation Association, who formally presented to the Council the Long Range Recreational Plan prepared by them. Mr. Butler supplemented the written Plan by a discussion and the display of maps and charts.

FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR TRAFFIC SURVEY BY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND PUBLIC ROADS ADMINISTRATION OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

Councilman Albea moved that \$2,500.00 be appropriated from the Emergency Fund to finance the city's share of the cost of a traffic survey being supervised by the State Highway Department and Public Roads Administration of the Federal Government. Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS UNIFORMS.

Councilman Slye moved that contracts for uniforms for the Police and Fire Departments be awarded to the low bidders, as follows:

Fire Department Uniforms to Efird's Department Store, at \$2,674.90
Fire Department Shirts to Belk Bros. Company, at \$1,427.40
Police Department Uniforms to Efird's Department Store, at \$4,163.70

Motion seconded by Councilman Atkins, and unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF RADIO RECEIVER FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL DIVISION CAR.

Councilman Daughtry moved that One Mobile Radio Receiver with antenna and spring be purchased from the General Electric Company, at a net delivered price of \$196.65, for use on the Traffic Signal Division car. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

APPLICATION FOR DEFERMENT OF THE EQUIVALENT ELIMINATION PROVISION OF AGREEMENT WITH CHARLOTTE HOUSING AUTHORITY AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Hovis moved that the City Manager be authorized to request the deferment for one year, dating from March 25, 1945, of the equivalent elimination provision of the Agreement with the Charlotte Housing Authority. Motion seconded by Councilman Atkins, and unanimously carried.

PETITION PRESENTED FROM WASHINGTON HEIGHTS RESIDENTS FAVORING EXTENSION OF CORPORATE LIMITS.

The City Manager presented a Petition signed by approximately 75 residents of Washington Heights section of Charlotte, favoring the extension of the corporate limits. The Mayor requested that the Petition be filed with the City Clerk.

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ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION WITH REGARD TO PAYMENT TO THE TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES FOR DAMAGES DONE TO AN AUTOMOBILE BELONGING TO THE UNITED STATES BY A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER, JOHN A. LYLES.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted upon motion of Councilman Atkins and seconded by Councilman Albea:

WHEREAS, under date of September 9, 1944, Special Police Officer, John A. Lyles, was operating an automobile belonging to the City of Charlotte in connection with the performance of his Police duties:

AND, WHEREAS, in the operation of said automobile, a collision occurred on East Boundary Street, in the City of Charlotte, between said automobile and an automobile belonging to the United States Government and operated by C. C. Davenport; that the damages to the United States Government automobile amounted to \$10.00 and said damages were caused solely by the negligence of John A. Lyles, and the operator of the United States Government automobile, C. C. Davenport, in no way contributed to said damages;

AND, WHEREAS, Walter F. Anderson, Chief of Police Department, has conducted an investigation of this matter and recommends the payment of the sum of \$10.00 to the United States Government;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Accountant be, and he hereby is, authorized, empowered and directed to pay the sum of \$10.00 to the Treasurer of the United States.

TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY AT 2026-28 WILMORE DRIVE SOLD TO T. C. WILSON.

Councilman Baker moved that property located at 2026-28 Wilmore Drive (being Tax Suit No. 462, City vs. Louise Withers Sloan) be sold to T. C. Wilson, at \$110.00, who was high bidder at the sale on February 5, 1945. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY AT 514-16 SOLOMON STREET SOLD TO J. E. SIMMONS, JR.

Councilman Daughtry moved that property located at 514-16 Solomon Street (being Tax Suit No. 643, City vs. Lelia Agnes Russell) be sold to J. E. Simmons, Jr., at \$130.00, who was high bidder at the sale on February 5, 1945. Motion seconded by Councilman Atkins, and unanimously carried.

SALE OF PROPERTIES.

Councilman Daughtry moved that the following tracts of land be sold to the high bidders at the sale on January 15, 1945, as recommended by the Evaluation Committee. Motion seconded by Councilman Atkins, and unanimously carried:

Sugaw Creek Disposal Plant Property, on and adjacent to Ebenezer Road and to A. F. and Florence E. Epting property, to Duke Power Company, at \$1030.43.

Property at 214, 216, 222, 224 and 228-30 North Cedar Street to K. S. Abrams, at \$650.00.

Property at 1713-19 West Fourth Street, to R. R. Rhyne at \$625.00.

Property at 2101-05 Statesville Avenue, to Mrs. Flora A. Case, at \$1,010.00.

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CEMETERY DEEDS APPROVED FOR TRANSFER.

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

To J. H. Newman and wife, Virginia Newman, Deed to Lot No. 133, in Section "Y", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$63.00.

To J. T. White and wife, Addie-Dorothea White, Deed to Lot. No. 134, in Section "Y", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$63.00.

To D. C. Smith, Deed to North-half Lot No. 30, in Section "A-Annex", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$72.28.

To D. C. Smith, Perpetual Care Deed to North-half Lot No. 30, in Section "A-Annex", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$51.62.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk