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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., Wednesday, July 19, 1944, with Mayor Pro Tem Price presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Baker, Cope, Hovis, Painter, Daughtry, Slye and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilman Bullard.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Painter the minutes of the last meeting, on July 5, 1944, were approved as read.

REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN PRIVILEGE LICENSE TAX BY CAROLINA UNIFORM COMPANY REFERRED TO CITY MANAGER.

Mr. Phillips, of the Carolina Uniform Company, requested a reduction in his privilege license tax from \$50.00 to \$25.00. The Mayor Pro Tem referred the matter to the City Manager for investigation and report at the next meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE
ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO THE APPROPRIATION BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1944-45.

Adoption of the
An ordinance relative to the Appropriation Budget for the City of Charlotte for the Fiscal Year 1944-45 was presented by the City Manager and read. Councilman Slye moved the adoption of the ordinance, together with the budget as submitted by the City Accountant. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, with the votes cast as follows:

Councilman Albea	AYE
Councilman Atkins	AYE
Councilman Baker	AYE
Councilman Cope	AYE
Councilman Daughtry	AYE
Councilman Hovis	AYE
Councilman Painter	AYE
Councilman Price	AYE
Councilman Slye	AYE
Councilman Ward	AYE

Upon the foregoing recorded vote, the ordinance was duly adopted and declared to be the Budget Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year 1944-45.

Said ordinance being recorded in Ordinance Book 9, beginning at Page 221.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1944-45.

An ordinance Fixing the Tax Rate for the City of Charlotte for the Fiscal Year 1944-45 and Levying a Tax Upon All Real and Personal Property Located Within the Limits of the City of Charlotte for Said Fiscal Year was presented by the City Manager. Councilman Slye moved the adoption of the foregoing ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, with the votes cast as follows:

Councilman Albea	AYE
Councilman Atkins	AYE
Councilman Baker	AYE
Councilman Cope	AYE
Councilman Daughtry	AYE
Councilman Hovis	AYE
Councilman Painter	AYE
Councilman Price	AYE
Councilman Slye	AYE
Councilman Ward	AYE

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Upon the foregoing recorded vote the ordinance was duly adopted and declared to be an ordinance fixing the tax rate for the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year 1944-45.

Ratified this the 19th day of July, 1944.

Said Ordinance being recorded in Ordinance Book 9, beginning at Page 223.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE PURCHASE OF COAL.

Upon motion of Councilman Slye, seconded by Councilman Baker, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, numerous coal dealers have been communicated with in regard to supplying coal to the City for the ensuing year and it has been ascertained that coal cannot be obtained upon bids; and

WHEREAS, existing War conditions make it impossible for the City to purchase its coal requirements if the usual formalities of bids, bid bonds or performance bonds are insisted on; and

WHEREAS, the supply of coal available to be purchased by the City is scarce and difficult to find;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the City Council finds that there exists a special emergency involving the health and safety of the people and their property with respect to the coal situation as above outlined;

2. That the City Manager be, and he is, authorized to purchase coal up to, but not exceeding a total cost of \$ 7,500.00 , without advertising for bids or requiring bid bonds or performance bonds, such a waiver of formalities being authorized by law in the case of the emergency which is hereby found to exist.

3. That the City Manager be, and he is, directed immediately after each purchase of coal to report to the City Council the amount of coal purchased, the price paid for same and the person from whom the purchase has been made.

CONTRACT AWARDED THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER FOR THE PUBLICATION OF 1943 DELINQUENT TAX LIST.

Councilman Alba moved that contract be awarded The Charlotte Observer for the publication of the 1943 Delinquent Tax List on August 14th, 21st, 28th and September 4th, 1944, at a cost of \$1.02 per columnar inch. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter and unanimously carried.

RENEWAL OF CONTRACTS WITH CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION FOR POLE SETTING LICENSE TO SERVE RADIO RANGE SITES (Contract No. C2CA-1484) AND FOR LEASE OF SITE FOR REMOTE CONTROL QUARTERS (Contract No. 963).

Councilman Alba moved the renewal of contracts with the Civil Aeronautics Administration (1) for Pole Setting License to serve Radio Range Site, being Contract No. C2CA-1484, and for Lease of Site for Remote Control Quarters, being Contract No. 963, at the Municipal Airport, each at an annual rental of \$1.00, for period ending June 30, 1945. Motion seconded by Councilman Hovis, and unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF PARTS FOR ROAD ROLLER.

Councilman Painter moved that parts for the Hercules Road Roller be purchased from the Huber Manufacturing Company at a cost of \$131.86. Motion seconded by Councilman Hovis, and unanimously carried.

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NOTICE OF CLAIM OF R. E. JAMES AND E. T. JAMES FOR ALLEGED WATER DAMAGES TO PROPERTY AT 106 TUCKASEEGEE ROAD AND 1517-1521 WEST TRADE STREET.

The City Manager advised that Notice of Claim had been received from Robinson & Jones, Attorneys, for damages to the property of R. E. James and E. T. James located at 106 Tuckaseege Road and 1517-1521 West Trade St., alleged to have been caused by the drainage of surface water. The amount of the claim is \$10,000.00. Mr. Flack stated the matter had been referred to the City Attorneys.

CONTRACT APPROVED WITH CHAPMAN VALVE MANUFACTURING COMPANY FOR EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH SERVICE AT CATAWBA RIVER STATION.

Councilman Baker moved that contract be approved with Chapman Valve Manufacturing Company, Indian Orchard, Mass., covering traveling expenses and services of their representative in connection with work done at the Catawba River Station, in the sum of \$212.53. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye, and unanimously carried.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE CLOSING HOURS FOR THE SALE OF BEER AND/OR WINE.

The City Manager presented an ordinance to regulate the closing hours for the sale of beer and/or wine and stated that the present ordinance in effect would expire on July 21, 1944. Councilman Daughtry moved the adoption of the ordinance as read. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye and same was unanimously adopted, and declared to be an ordinance of the City of Charlotte. Same being recorded in Ordinance Book 9, Page 225.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE CONTROL OF KEEPING HORSES WITHIN THE CITY.

The City Manager stated complaints were being received regarding the keeping of horses within the city limits. He stated the matter had been referred to the Health Department, and the Chief Health Officer had submitted a suggested ordinance to control the situation. The Mayor Pro Tem referred the matter to a special committee composed of Councilmen Slye, Ward and Daughtry for investigation and report.

APPRAISALS OF THREE PIECES OF TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Baker moved that appraisals be made of three pieces of tax foreclosed property, namely: 1217 Seigle Ave (Tax Suit No. 440); 2109 Statesville Avenue (Tax Suit No. 481) and 1713-19 West 4th Street (Tax Suit No. 408). Motion seconded by Councilman Slye, and unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF LAND ON ALBEMARLE ROAD FOR CEMETERY PURPOSES AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Hovis moved that the Legal Department be authorized to purchase as soon as possible the tract of land on the Albemarle Road, as plotted by the Engineering Department, containing approximately 200 acres, at a cost of \$34,147.50 more or less, for cemetery purposes. Motion seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimously carried.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT GRANTED WALTER L. HUFFSTICKLER.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded by Councilman Painter, a Special Officer Permit was unanimously granted to Walter L. Huffstickler, 522 East 4th Street, as requested by The B. F. Goodrich Stores, for use on their premises at 4th and Brevard Streets.

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CEMETERY DEEDS APPROVED FOR TRANSFER.

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

W. T. Hoppe, South Half Lot No. 116, in Section "X", Elmwood Cemetery, \$70.00
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$60.00.
W. D. Beam, South Half Lot No. 30, in Section A-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, \$72.28
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$51.62.
Graham G. Stegall, North Half Lot No. 109, Section "X", Elmwood Cemetery, \$70.00
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$60.00.
Mrs. Annie Laura Reese, North Park Lot No. 54, in Section A-Annex, Elmwood
Cemetery, \$36.75.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$26.25.
Mrs. Leola Ofsonka and Mrs. Victoria Gore, Lot No. 45, in Section "Z", in
Elmwood Cemetery, \$31.50.
James R. Byars, Lot No. 136, in Section "Y", in Elmwood Cemetery, \$63.00.
Perpetual Care on Lot No. YY, in Section "U", belonging to Charles M. Hicks,
in Elmwood Cemetery, \$54.00.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Lillian R. Huffman
City Clerk