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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p. m. on Tuesday, June 26, 1945, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Childs, Johnston, McIntyre, Newson, Puette and White being present.

Absent: Councilman Hinson.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman McIntyre, the minutes of the Joint Meeting on July 19, 1945 were approved as read.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Puette, the minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 19, 1945 were approved as read.

CONSIDERATION OF RESIGNATION OF CHIEF OF POLICE POSTPONED UNTIL JULY 10, 1945.

Councilman McIntyre moved that consideration of the resignation of Chief of Police Walter F. Anderson be postponed until July 10, 1945. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO RECOMMEND PERSON FOR POSITION OF CHIEF OF POLICE.

Mayor Baxter appointed Councilmen White, Childs and Hinson as a Committee to investigate and recommend a person for the position of Chief of Police.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY RETIREMENT PLAN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES AND TO REPORT ON JULY 10, 1945.

Following a brief discussion of the Retirement Plan for City Employees approved by the former City Council, Councilman Newson suggested that a Council Committee, similar to the Employees Committee, be appointed to study the Plan and to report on same to Council on July 10th. Mayor Baxter appointed Councilmen Newson and himself as a Committee.

CONSIDERATION OF SOLICITATION ORDINANCE REFERRED TO THE PLANNING BOARD.

Mayor Baxter stated the vacancies on the Solicitation Commission had not been filled by him as he felt the Council should give consideration to the Solicitation Ordinance as to its worth to the City. Councilman McIntyre moved that the matter be referred to The Planning Board for recommendation. Motion seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried.

OFFER TO SELL TRACT OF LAND ON ORR STREET REFERRED TO APPRAISAL COMMITTEE.

Upon motion of Councilman McIntyre, seconded by Councilman White, the offer of Mr. Lee Heath to sell to the city a tract of land on Orr Street at \$10,500.00, was referred to the Appraisal Committee.

REQUEST OF BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE REFERRED TO CITY MANAGER.

The City Manager reported the Board of Education was requesting an additional office on the third floor, City Hall. Councilman McIntyre moved that the decision as to which office should be assigned them be left up to the City Manager. Motion seconded by Councilman Newson, and unanimously carried.

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SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT AWARDED A. H. GUION & COMPANY TO CONSTRUCT CLEAN-OUT VAULT FOR WATER MAINS.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Puette, a supplemental contract was unanimously awarded A. H. Guion & Company to construct a clean-out vault for water mains for the sum of \$613.50, and the said \$613.50 authorized transferred from the "Water Contingent Fund" to "Repairs To Supply Pipe Lines Account".

CONTRACT AMENDED WITH D. C. GIBSON TO CONSTRUCT WATER LINE.

The City Manager advised that on March 28, 1945 contract was authorized with D. C. Gibson to construct a water line in Major Street, Edgewood Street and Edgewood Road, provided that if and when the city limits are extended that portion of said line then coming within the city limits shall become the property of the city. That the Mecklenburg County Board of Education owns the Thomasboro water line to which Mr. Gibson has been given permission to tap in order to make his extension, provided he deed his line to them. The City Manager advised the Superintendent of the City Water Department recommended that the line be constructed at the applicant's expense and the City maintain and operate it and collect all revenue therefrom, and the condition that title is to vest in the City when the corporate limits are extended be omitted from the contract. Councilman Childs moved that the recommendation of the Superintendent of the City Water Department be approved. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried.

CLAIM OF GUS D. COTTROS FOR ALLEGED PROPERTY DAMAGES REJECTED.

Councilman McIntyre moved that the claim of Gus D. Cottros for \$3,000.00 for alleged property damages by surface water drainage be rejected as recommended by the City Attorney. Motion seconded by Councilman Newson, and unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF CRUSHED STONE FROM CONCRETE SUPPLY COMPANY RATIFIED AND PAYMENT AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Puette moved that the purchase of Crushed Stone from Concrete Supply Company be ratified and payment authorized as follows:

104.01 Tons	\$ 197.62	on April 2, 1945
59.15 Tons	112.39	on April 20, 1945
53.93 Tons	102.47	on May 3, 1945

Motion seconded by Councilman McIntyre, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH COCHRANE & ROSS COAL COMPANY RESCINDED AND NEW CONTRACT AWARDED THEM TO FURNISH GAS SHOVEL, TRUCKS AND LABOR FOR REMOVING DIRT IN THE EXTENSION OF ELMWOOD CEMETERY.

The City Manager requested that contract awarded Cochrane and Ross Coal Company on June 5, 1945 for furnishing gas shovel and trucks in removing dirt in the extension of Elmwood Cemetery, be rescinded, and a new contract with them authorized to cover the furnishing of gas shovel and trucks and labor, for the total sum of \$562.91. Councilman Childs moved that contract be rescinded and new contract awarded as recommended. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

RELOCATION OF BARRINGER DRIVE AUTHORIZED.

The City Manager reported that The Planning Board recommended the relocation of Barringer Drive as requested at the Council Meeting on June 19, 1945. Councilman Puette moved that Barringer Drive be relocated. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

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SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT RENEWED TO MRS. STELLA PATTERSON.

Upon motion of Councilman McIntyre, seconded by Councilman Johnston, the Special Officer Permit to Mrs. Stella Patterson was unanimously authorized renewed for one year on the premises of J. B. Ivey & Company.

SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS AND ISSUANCE OF DEEDS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman McIntyre, seconded by Councilman Childs, sale of the following cemetery lots, and issuance of deeds for same, was unanimously authorized:

- To - Mrs. C. C. Fesperman, Lot No. 82-B, Section D-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$103.25.
 - To - Mrs. Hettie Hargett, Lot No. 13, Section Z, Elmwood Cemetery, \$35.00.
 - To - Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Beard, North Half Lot No. 5, Section BB, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$63.00.
 - To - W. W. Carter and wife, Lot No. 24, in Section Z, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$35.00.
 - To - Mrs. M. L. Nalley, Perpetual Care on East Half of Lot No. 320, Section U, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$25.00.
- Transfer of Lot No. #3, south half, Section Q, Elmwood Cemetery, to Mark Wilkes Williams and Mark Steadson Williams, from W. W. Carter and wife.

HOLIDAY GRANTED CITY EMPLOYEES ON JULY 4, 1945.

Councilman White moved that a holiday be granted City Employees on July 4th to commemorate Independence Day. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Puette, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman

City Clerk