

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, March 16, 1949, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan and White present.

Absent: Councilmen McKee.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Ernest S. DeLaney.

MINUTES APPROVED.

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

U. S. POSTAL AUTHORITIES PETITIONED TO CONTINUE NORTH CHARLOTTE SUB-POSTOFFICE.

Speaking in behalf of a number of residents of the northern area of the city, Mr. Basil M. Boyd requested that the proper Postal Authorities be petitioned by the City to continue maintaining the North Charlotte Sub-Postoffice, which it is understood they propose to discontinue upon the completion of the new sub-Postoffice on Thomas Avenue. He further stated that it is estimated that the present sub-Postoffice serves from 15,000 to 20,000 persons within that area, and the new location on Thomas Avenue is some two miles distant.

Councilman White moved that the Post Office Department be petitioned immediately to continue the North Charlotte sub-Postoffice. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS ON BARBOURS COURT BETWEEN EAST 5th and EAST 6th STREETS.

Pursuant to the passage on its first reading on March 9th of a resolution authorizing permanent improvements on Barbours Court between East 5th and East 6th Streets, finding it in the public interest that said improvement be made, and the adoption of a resolution authorizing the advertisement of Notice of hearing on March 14th with regard to the improvement, the resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing Permanent Improvements on Barbours Court between East 5th and East 6th Streets" was presented on its final reading. No objections were registered to the said improvement, Whereupon Councilman Childs moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 161.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING APPRAISERS IN CONNECTION WITH BARBOURS COURT PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Appointing Appraisers in Connection with Barbours Court Permanent Improvements" was presented and read, and upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, was unanimously adopted. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 162.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN PRESENTATION OF UNDOCKETED ITEMS.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Albea, the following five items were presented with the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT OFFER BY CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION FROM U. S. GOVERNMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution relative to Acceptance of Grant Offer by Civil Aeronautics Administration from U. S. Government for Development of Douglas Municipal Airport" was presented and read, and upon motion of Councilman DeLaney, seconded by Councilman White, was unanimously adopted. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, beginning at Page 163.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD PETITIONED TO AUTHORIZE EASTERN AIR LINES TO EXTEND SERVICES TO WEST COAST.

Councilman Childs moved that the Civil Aeronautics Board be requested to authorize the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Eastern Air Lines to extend its services from San Antonio, Texas in order to provide one carrier service from eastern points to the West Coast, and, also, that the City join with the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce in presenting to the said Board facts and figures regarding Charlotte and its interests with cities that would be so serviced. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

EMPLOYMENT OF SIX ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR NEW FIRE STATION NO. 8.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the employment of six additional men in the Fire Department for service at new Fire Station No. 8, for whose salaries from April 1st to July 1st funds are available in the Fire Department Budget.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT FOR MAKING STUDY IN CONNECTION WITH CONSOLIDATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS.

A resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing Contract with Institute of Government for Making Study in Connection with the Consolidation of the City of Charlotte and County of Mecklenburg" was presented and read, and upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Childs, was unanimously adopted. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 165.

PAYMENT OF TWO-THIRDS OF CONTRACT PRICE TO INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT FOR CONSOLIDATION OF CITY-COUNTY GOVERNMENTS STUDY.

Councilman DeLaney moved that payment of two-thirds of the contract price of \$10,000.00 be made to the Institute of Government for study in connection with the consolidation of the City of Charlotte and County of Mecklenburg Governments. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

NOTICE OF CLAIM OF MISS MARGARET GIBBON IN CONNECTION WITH ACCIDENT.

The City Attorney advised that claim, in the amount of \$700.00, has been filed against the City by Miss Margaret Gibbon for personal injuries sustained in an accident.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF SHUMAN PROPERTY ADJACENT TO INCINERATOR PROPERTY.

Motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, authorizing the purchase of the Shuman property, being approximately 11 acres, adjacent to the City's incinerator property on Shuman Avenue, to be used for landfill garbage disposal.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried, the transfer of the following funds was authorized:

\$25,000 from City's contribution to Crosstown Boulevard Account, (Code 1513-A), to Bridges and Viaduct Account (Code 1513 G-3).

\$10,000 from Acquiring Right-of-Way for Setback & Paving Slum Areas Account, to Bridges and Viaduct Account (Code 1513 G-3).

\$5,000 from Resurfacing Streets Account (Code 1513 G-29) to Repairing Streets Account (Code 513 B-23).

\$8,500 from Resurfacing Streets Account (Code 1513 G-29) to Purchase of Real Estate for Garbage Landfill (Code 1511).

TREE REMOVAL AT EAST TRADE AND NORTH CALDWELL STREETS.

Councilman Jordan moved that the request of Mr. E. L. Hicks be granted permitting him to remove a tree at the intersection of East Trade and North Caldwell Streets. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CHANGE OF STREET NAMES.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried, the names of the following streets were authorized changed as requested by property owners, and approved by the City Engineer and The Planning Board:

- (a) Dunn Street to Dunn Avenue, for entire length of street from Monroe Road to the end of the street parallel with the Seaboard Railroad.
- (b) Lynwood Road, from Poindexter Drive to Sedgefield Road, be changed to Lawndale Road.
- (c) John Street be changed to Double Oaks Road.
- (d) Double Oaks Road be changed to Tinnin Avenue.

CONTRACT WITH THE SUMMITT BUILDERS, INC. FOR WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION IN VIRGINIA AVENUE AND BROOK ROAD.

Councilman Childs moved that contract be authorized with The Summitt Builders, Inc., for the construction of 1,220 feet of water mains and one fire hydrant in Virginia Avenue and Brook Road, at an estimated cost of \$3,150.00, to serve a residential subdivision; the City to finance the costs and the applicant to guarantee 10% revenue on construction costs. Motion seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWER IN TROTTERS ALLEY.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of a new sanitary sewer in Trotters Alley, at an estimated cost of \$588.83, to be borne by the City.

CONTRACTS FOR MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASES.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, the following contracts for purchases, and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary, were unanimously authorized:

- (a) Contract with The Textile Mill Supply Company, for one lot of Jeffrey Roller Chain, for the Disposal Plant, at a net delivered price of \$995.00.
- (b) Contract with North Carolina Equipment Company, for Repair Parts, consisting of 21 items, for the Elgin Street Sweeper, at a net delivered price of \$647.73.

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SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing the issuance of Special Officer Permits to the following persons:

Hugh Will Maness, Indian Trail, N. C., for use on the premises of Southern Railway Company Yards.

Harry T. Stinson, 1835 North Allen Street, for use on the premises of Fruehauf Trailer Company, 310 Dalton Avenue.

John William Kay, 419 S. Church Street, for use on the premises of Domestic Laundry, Inc., 809 South McDowell Street.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, March 30, 1949 at 4 p.m.

Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk