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Regular weekly meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, March 19, 1941, with Mayor Douglas presiding and Councilmen Albaea, Baxter, Britt, Hovis, Huntley, Little, Nance, Sides, Ward and Wilkinson being present.

Absent: None.

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MINUTES OF MARCH 12TH MEETING APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Albaea, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the minutes of the meeting of March 12th., were approved as read.

PATRIOTIC ORDER, SONS OF AMERICA, GRANTED FREE USE OF ARMORY AUDITORIUM MAY 10th.

At the request of Mr. L. L. Caudle, and on motion of Councilman Albaea, duly seconded by Councilman Britt and carried, the Patriotic Order of the Sons of America was granted free use of the Armory-Auditorium on May 10th., for a Defense Program, which will start in High Point with a parade, passing through all the towns between that point and Charlotte and on to Belmont and Gastonia, returning to Charlotte, which will comprise four or five hundred automobiles.

REQUEST FOR CITY TO BECOME PARTY TO SUIT IN SUPERIOR COURT TO CLEAR UP TITLE TO PROPERTY.

Mr. Thad Adams, Attorney, appeared before the Council and presented the following Motion:

NORTH CAROLINA  
MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

In the Superior Court  
Special Proceeding No. 6878.  
Civil Action No. 33087.

Carrie L. McLean, Admix, of the :  
Estate of Joseph A. Price, :  
deceased, at al, Petitioners :  
: :  
vs. :  
: :  
Amanda Price, widow of Joseph A. :  
Price, et al., Defendants :  
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T. A. Adams, as attorney for the plaintiff in the above-entitled action, hereby represents to the City Commissioners, in regular meeting duly assembled, that due diligence has been made in the above-entitled special proceeding and civil action to sell the property therein described, and which was offered for sale several times and finally sold at public auction, and the price it brought was insufficient to pay the

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costs of the proceeding and the accumulated city and county taxes, and therefore, in lieu of bringing an independent action against the county or city, or allowing the county or city to bring an independent action, the said attorney hereby moved that the City Commissioners, in regular meeting assembled, authorize the City Attorney to accept service for the city and make the city a party to the above-entitled proceeding and civil action, so that the question of whether the said property might bring a better price if sold by either the city or the county for taxes can be considered by a Superior Court Judge, and the question of the application of the funds arising from the present sale, if the present sale be allowed by the city and county to stand in lieu of any sale by the city or county for taxes, be determined.

This the 19th day of March, 1941.

(Signed) Thaddeus A. Adams  
Attorney for Carrie L. McLean, Admrx.

O R D E R.

After a lengthy discussion, during which Mr. Scarborough explained why this request was made in order to save additional costs and which he stated was already acted upon by the County, Councilman Ward made a motion that the City become a party defendant to the action voluntarily, which motion was seconded by Councilman Nance, with Councilmen Huntley and Sides voting in the negative.

~~REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL DAMAGE MADE BY ATTORNEY FOR L. ARRENSON ON TENTH STREET WIDENING.~~

Mr. Adams, as attorney for Mr. L. Arrenson, whose property on 10th. Street was damaged by reason of the widening project on that street, stated that his client was not satisfied with the amount of damages allotted to him by the Appraisers, which amounted to \$267.00, and that while he felt that his property was damaged to the extent of \$1,000.00, that if the Council will increase the amount awarded from \$267.00 to \$350.00 that he would withdraw the exception to the award.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Hovis, this request was denied and the Commissioners' report is not to be increased.

~~REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC LIGHT AT 2ND. AND CHURCH STREETS DENIED.~~

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Hovis, the request made by petition from approximately fifty-three users of the parking lot at the corner of 2nd. and Church Streets, for a traffic light to be installed at that corner, was denied.

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PURCHASE OF MIXED ASPHALT.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with The Texas Company, for one car of Mixed Asphalt, (approximately 6600 gallons), at the net delivered price of \$654.62.

Other bids received on this material were:

American Bitmuls Company	\$671.16
Shell Oil Company	726.04
Standard Oil Co. of N.J.	747.59

SANITARY SEWER - LILAC ROAD.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Albea and carried, request was granted for an 8" sanitary sewer to be laid in Lilac Road, from Idlewood Circle west 345 feet, to serve two houses already completed and estimated to cost \$283.80.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL TO BE ERECTED AT EAST SEVENTH STREET AND CASWELL ROAD.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Baxter, a traffic signal is to be placed at the intersection of East 7th Street and Caswell Road, at a cost of \$375.00, which is to be taken from the Emergency Fund. Councilman Sides voted against this motion.

PURCHASE OF WROUGHT IRON AND CAST IRON PIPE.

The following bids having been received on pipe and fittings to be placed in stock for the Water Department:

GENUINE WROUGHT IRON PIPE - 1 CAR

American Hardware & Equipment Co.	\$3,410.89
Grinnell Company	3,418.34
Hajoca Corporation	3,438.13
The Textile Mill Supply Co.	3,444.65
Crane Company	3,473.85
Noland Pipe Company	3,473.85

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Albea, award was made to the lowest bidder, American Hardware & Equipment Company, at the net delivered price of \$3,410.89, and the Mayor and Clerk authorized to sign the contract.

CAST IRON PIPE- 10,000 FEET.

The only bid received on this item was from McWane Cast Iron Pipe Company, who bid \$2,267.75, and on motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Albea, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with this company for same, in the amount of \$2,267.75.

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CAST IRON PIPE & FITTINGS - 540 FEET WITH SLEEVES  
AND BENDS.

Lynchburg Foundry Company	\$1,405.50
Glamorgan Pipe & Foundry Company	1,491.30

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute contract with the lowest bidder, Lynchburg Foundry Company, in the amount of \$1,405.50.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT FOR WILLIAM P. ANDERSON.

On motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Hovis, William P. Anderson was granted permit as Special Officer on the premises of the Hinson Coal Company.

COPY OF BUDGET REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28TH. SUBMITTED.

A copy of the monthly Budget Report for eight months period ending February 28, 1941, was submitted.

CONTRACT FOR WATER PIPE LINE ENCROACHMENT UNDER TRACKS OF NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY.

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with the Norfolk Southern Railroad Company covering encroachment of pipe line across the right of way and under the tracks of the Railroad Company; this pipe line for the water connection and private fire hydrant on the grounds of the Railway Supply and Manufacturing Company.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Ward, the Clerk was authorized to issue deed in the name of Mrs. Ida V. Voltz for Lot No. 35 in Section "Y", purchased at the price of \$63.00.

ADOPTION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REQUEST FOR SALE OF PROPERTY.

Councilman Wilkinson, Chairman of the Committee appointed to investigate the request of parties that the City sell to them certain pieces of property owned by the City, the first located on the Oakdale Road, near the City's reservoir tract and the other near the Sugar Creek Disposal plant, reported that his committee had met with the Mayor, the City Manager, City Engineer and Treasurer and carefully studied the matter and that it was the recommendation of the Committee that these tracts not be offered for sale at this time, and he moved that the Committee's recommendation be adopted, which motion was seconded by Councilman Ward and carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded and carried, the meeting then adjourned.

*Alice B. McCoull*  
City Clerk