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The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, November 13, 1940, with Mayor Douglas presiding and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Britt, Hovis, Huntley, Little, Nance, Sides, Ward and Wilkinson being present.

Absent: None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the minutes of the regular meeting of November 6th. and special meeting of November 9th., were approved as read.

MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION REQUEST FOR STREETS TO BE CLEARED OF PARKED CARS FOR CHRISTMAS PARADE.

Mr. R. L. Chapman, Chairman of the Special Advance Committee of the Merchants Association for the Christmas parade, petitioned the Council to assist the Association in their parade to be held on Thursday afternoon, November 21st., by clearing the streets of all parked cars after five o'clock, from the Wilder Building, at East 3rd. Street to 7th Street, on Tryon Street, and on Trade from College to Church Streets.

After discussion regarding the line of march of the parade, Councilman Sides made a motion that parking be prohibited at this time for four blocks on Tryon Street (3rd. to 7th.) and 3 blocks on Trade Street, (College to Poplar). Motion seconded by Councilman Huntley and carried.

PURCHASE OF GOOSENECKS AND CURB STOPS.

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Albea, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with Hajoca Corporation for 350- 3/4" lead goosenecks with corporation stops, and 400- 3/4" inverted key curb stops, for use in the Water Department, at a net delivered price of \$955.50.

Other bids received on this material were:

Mueller Company	\$992.25
Glauber Brass Mfg. Co.	1327.90

CHECK VALVES CONTRACT AWARDED TO GRINNELL COMPANY.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Sides, contract for 500- 3/4" Bronze Check Valves, for the Water Department, was awarded to the low bidder, Grinnell Company, and the Mayor and Clerk authorized to sign same in the amount of \$583.10 net delivered.

Bids were also received from:

Crane Company	\$612.50
Textile Mill Supply Co.	686.00
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co.	830.00

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SEWER EXTENSION RUSH AVENUE.

On motion of Councilman Britt, seconded by Councilman Albea, the request of Mrs. W. E. Wilson, 2904 Tuckaseegee Road, was granted for extension of the 8" sanitary sewer in Rush Avenue, from the end of the present sewer 65 feet south towards Tuckaseegee Road, to serve one house now under construction. The estimated cost of this extension is \$72.05.

WATER LINE IN POINDEXTER DRIVE.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Albea, authority was given for the installation of a 6" water main in Poindexter Drive, 540 feet west from the end of the present water main, at the expense of the City, on a revenue basis; the Mayor and Clerk to sign a contract on behalf of the City of Charlotte with the applicant, S. A. Leslie, wherein the applicant agrees to build sufficient houses to produce an annual revenue for water service equal to 10% of the cost of laying the main; further, that should there not be built a sufficient number of houses to produce this revenue, the applicant agrees to pay the difference as a "guarantee" bill.

REPORT ON RESURFACING STREETS.

The City Manager, Mr. Jas. W. Armstrong, reported the following streets have received asphalt resurfacing:

Thrift Road- Morehead to City limits
7th Street - Louise Ave. to Hawthorne Lane
Central Ave- 7th Street to City limits
McDowell St- 7th. to East Trade St.
Elizabeth Ave-Cecil Street to McDowell St.
S.Boulevard- E. Boulevard to Bland St.

Also, that the cost of resurfacing was borne by the State Highway Department and represents approximately \$20,000.00 of the \$33,000.00. All of the above streets had received no resurfacing for a period of ten years. This leaves only two streets within the city limits which are over ten years old, under State Highway maintenance, which have not been resurfaced.

PURCHASE OF BONDS.

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Albea, authority was given for the City Treasurer to purchase 3- \$1000.00 Town of Southern Pines Public Improvement Bonds, due 7-1-41, to yield $1\frac{1}{4}\%$.

REQUEST FOR PAVEMENT OF SIDEWALKS AT EASTOVER AND LAWYERS ROAD SCHOOLS GRANTED.

The Board of School Commissions having requested the City to pave the sidewalks at Eastover school and Lawyers Road school, the City Manager stated that this had already been contemplated and on motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Sides, this request is to be taken care of.

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THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

On motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Huntley, November 28th., Thanksgiving Day, was granted as a holiday for the City Hall and Departments outside.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Little, the following cemetery deeds were approved:

Mrs. Henrietta K. Millershan, S. Half Lot 62-A, D Annex, Elmwood \$70.00
E. R. Graham, Deed to Lot 29-Full Fraction Section "E", replacing deed issued August 10, 1910, in error, for Lot No. 32. No charge for this deed.

DISCUSSION AS TO CITY ATTORNEY REPRESENTING CITY IN TRIAL OF FRANK N. LITTLEJOHN IN SUPERIOR COURT.

Councilman Wilkinson at this time asked if the City Attorney, Mr. J. M. Scarborough, would represent the City in the trial of Frank N. Littlejohn appealed from the Civil Service Commission to Superior Court, and was informed that Mr. Scarborough was to represent the City and all of its Commissions and that he would represent the City in that case. Mr. Wilkinson protested this on the ground that the case was not discussed with the City Manager nor the City Council at the very beginning and that he did not feel that the taxpayers should be burdened with furnishing an attorney to represent the City in cases of this kind.

He then made a motion that the City Attorney not represent the City in this case, which motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and lost on a vote of 3 to 7. The following members voting for the motion: Councilmen Wilkinson, Baxter and Huntley.
Nay: Councilmen Albea, Hovis, Little, Britt, Sides and Ward.

Councilman Wilkinson then stated that Mr. Nolan, Chief of Police, be required to prove his citizenship to the City Manager by next Wednesday, but this was not in the form of a motion and after discussion the matter was dropped.

VOTE ON REPLACING E. J. NOLAN AS CHIEF OF POLICE.

Councilman Hovis moved that Mr. John Yandle be made Chief of Police of the City of Charlotte, which motion was seconded by Councilman Huntley.

After considerable discussion, both for and against this motion, Councilman Baxter offered a substitute motion to postpone any action in the matter until after the trial of the Littlejohn case in Superior Court. This motion seconded by Councilman Ward, and carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYE: Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Little, Nance, Ward and Wilkinson.

NAY: Councilmen: Hovis, Huntley, Britt and Sides.

The Mayor declared the motion carried.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, duly seconded, the meeting
adjourned.

Alice B. McConnell
City Clerk