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A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, October 22, 1947, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen, Albea, DeLaney, Jordan, Lambeth, McKee and White present.

Absent: Councilman Childs.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by the Reverend Joe Caldwell, Pastor, Duncan Memorial Methodist Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Jordan, the minutes of the last meeting, on October 15, 1947, were unanimously approved as submitted.

HOUSING AUTHORITY PRESENTED CHECKS FOR \$17,636.02 AND REQUESTED THE COUNCIL TO PASS NECESSARY RESOLUTION TO ENFORCE ELIMINATION OF SUB STANDARD HOUSES.

Mr. Edwin L. Jones presented two checks to Mayor and City Council, one for \$13,761.47 as payment in lieu of taxes for Piedmont Courts and Fairview Homes for year ending March 31, 1947, and one for \$3,874.55 for Public Services, year ending June 30, 1947 for Morris Field Homes.

Mr. Jones then called the Council's attention to the City's obligation for slum clearance. He stated that survey made sometime ago revealed that the number of sub standard houses was around 12,000 and that they estimated the figure today to be between 12,000 and 15,000. He petitioned the Council to pass the necessary regulation to enforce the ordinance passed about two years ago setting forth minimum requirements. Other members of Housing Authority present were Messers George W. Dowdy, Vice-Chairman, W. Reynolds Cuthbertson, Earl J. Gluck, and Executive Director H. J. Dillehay.

Councilman White moved this matter be put on the docket for the next regular meeting of the City Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

MR. COLEMAN W. ROBERTS APPOINTED SPECIAL LICENSE CLERK TO SELL 1948 CITY AUTOMOBILE LICENSES.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea that Mr. Coleman W. Roberts be appointed Special License Clerk to handle the sale of 1948 City Automobile License for a term of one year beginning December 1, 1947, with a fixed compensation of 10¢ per license. Councilman DeLaney seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

SANITARY SEWER IN NORTH DAVIDSON STREET

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of a sanitary sewer in North Davidson Street between Wesley Avenue and Charles Avenue a distance of 105 feet to serve the property of the Laxton Construction Company, Inc., at an estimated cost of \$199.10, to be paid by the City.

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SANITARY SEWER IN PERRIN PLACE

Councilman Albea moved that the construction of 1004 feet of sanitary sewer in Perrin Place to serve the property of the Charlotte Investment Company, at an estimated cost of \$2,916.98 to serve 20 houses now under construction, to be paid for by City. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.

Councilman McKee moved that the following contracts, and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary, be authorized. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried:

- (a) Contract with P. S. Avery for 2 Rensselaer Bardwell Portable Power Wrenches, complete with 1 - 3/4" electric drill and 1-2" square socket, at a net delivered price of \$624.00 for the Water Department.
- (b) Purchase of one 6 drawer Steel Filing Cabinet from Remington Rand, Inc., at a net delivered price of \$219.50 for the Health Department.
- (c) Contract with the Standard Printing Company for 500 copies of the revised City Charter at a net delivered price of \$280.00.
- (d) Contract with the Pomona Terra-Cotta Company, Pomona, N. C., for 1500 feet 8" terra cotta pipe at a net delivered price of \$577.50 for the Engineering Department.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, a Special Officer Permit was authorized issued to James Everett Hartis to serve on the premises of Elmwood and Pinewood Cemeteries.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING REPLACEMENTS FOR JUDGES IN SPECIAL AUDITORIUM BOND ELECTION.

Councilman White moved that the unanimous consent of the Council be given for presenting RESOLUTION APPOINTING REPLACEMENTS FOR JUDGES IN SPECIAL AUDITORIUM BOND ELECTION. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the Resolution as read. Motion was seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried. The Resolution is recorded in full in Resolution Book 1, at page 68.

APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF ZONING COMMISSION

Councilman White called the Council's attention to the urgent need for immediate appointment of two alternate members to serve in the absence of regular members of the Zoning Commission. Mayor Baxter suggested that this be put on the Docket for the next regular meeting of the City Council and appointed Councilmen White and Childs to serve as a committee to bring in suggested names of members to serve on the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT.

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


Acting City Clerk