

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, September 15, 1948, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, and McKee present.

Absent: Councilman White.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman DeLaney, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting, on September 1st, were approved as submitted.

ORDINANCE (NO. 51) TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE INTRODUCED, AND RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON ADOPTED.

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 51) Amending Chapter 21 of the City Code with Respect to the Zoning Ordinance", to change from Residence-2 to Business-1 district the area on East 5th Street adjacent to Briar Creek and on the south side of East Seventh Street across from the Palmer Fire School, was introduced. Following the reading thereof, a resolution entitled, "Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance", setting the date of hearing on October 6, 1948, was presented and read. Councilman Childs moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 140.

REMOVAL OF TREES FROM PLANTING STRIPS.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, permission was granted Mr. Thad Adams to remove a tree from the front of his residence at 604 Clement Avenue, and to Mr. M. R. Collins to remove a tree from the planting strip at his business property at 211 Tuckasee Road.

CONTRACT WITH C. P. GIBBS ET AL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER IN BACON AVENUE.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, authorizing a contract with C. P. Gibbs, S. M. Mullis, Dewey Tillman and R. W. Puckett for the construction of a sanitary sewer in Bacon Avenue for a distance of 920 feet, at an estimated cost of \$2,352.90, to serve 4 houses under construction and 4 houses to be erected, and the refund of deposit of \$800.00 if and when the additional 4 houses are connected to the sewer.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.

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

- (a) Contract with E. J. Smith & Sons Company for One Toro Power Lawn Mower, at a net delivered price of \$748.15, for the Cemetery Department.
- (b) Contract with Belk Bros. Company for Uniforms for the Sanitary and Shop Divisions, the Engineering Dept. and Cemetery Dept., at a net delivered price of \$5,538.55.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY

September 15, 1948.

A special called joint meeting was held in the Mayor's office at the City Hall at 2 o'clock, to consider the question of a revaluation of property - both real and personal in the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.

Present for the city: Mayor Baxter, presiding.
Councilmen Albea, Childs, Jordan, and McKee.
City manager : Yancey and city attorney Shaw.

Present for the county: S. Y. McAden, Chairman of the Board,
Commissioners McDonald, McEwen and Porter.
County attorney Clarkson.

The Mayor advised that the purpose of the joint meeting was to consider the much needed proposition of revaluation of real and personal property in the city and county.

A full and general discussion was had .

Mayor Baxter asked for a hand vote, which was taken and showed that we do need a revaluation.

A vote was taken on: "Should the revaluation be done as soon as possible." This was carried unanimously.

Discussion was then had as to what year's basis the revaluation should be made. The general opinion was that it should be made upon a 1941 basis. A hand vote was taken and carried that the revaluation should be based upon the year 1941.

Then, after further discussion, it was decided:

"Until January 1, 1949 we will have representative meetings in the city and county; in the meantime, we will have to ask somebody to make a few trips to other cities and counties in North Carolina, where this type of revaluation has been made, in order to get more definite information."

The joint meeting then adjourned.

NOTE:

The above "minutes" were submitted by G. D. Bradshaw, County Auditor, relative to a conference held in the Mayor's office by the City Council and Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners on Sept. 15, 1948. It was merely a conference and NOT an officially called joint meeting. No Notice of a Special Meeting was authorized sent to the City Council, nor was same sent, and no minutes were requested taken by the City Clerk, nor were any taken.

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- (c) Contract with Concrete Supply Company, for 500 cubic yards of Class A-Quick Set, Class A-Plain and Class B-Plain Ready Mix Concrete, at a total price of \$6,950.00 with a deduction of .50¢ per classification on concrete less than one cubic yard called for by the City at the Mixing Plant. Prices are guaranteed for 90 days, and any increase guaranteed not to exceed .75¢ per cubic yard over above prices.
- (d) Contract with Southern States Chemical Company, for One Car Load of Activated Carbon, at a net delivered price of \$3,600.00.
- (e) Contract with Heath Motor Company, for Two Ford Sedans, at a price of \$3,197.44, for the Police Department.
- (f) Contract with Pomona Terra Cotta Company, for 2,196 feet of 8-inch Pipe, at a price of \$883.89.
- (g) Contract with Mueller Company, for One Tapping Machine, at a price of \$938.83, f.o.b. Decatur, Ill.
- (h) Contract with Auten Motor Company, for One Ford F-6 Truck with metal dump body, at a net delivered price of \$2,431.00, for the Water Department.
- (i) Contract with International Harvester Company, for One International Express Pick-up Truck, at a price of \$1,315.80, less cash discount of \$122.73, making a net delivered price of \$1,193.07, for the Water Department.
- (j) Contract with Auten Motor Company, for One Ford F-5 stake body Truck, at a price of \$1,940.00, for the Traffic Department.
- (k) Contract with Everett-Noble Motors, Inc., for One Plymouth Sedan, at a net delivered price of \$1,408.00, for the Traffic Department.
- (l) Contract with Darling Motors, Inc., for One Reo Wrecker, at a net delivered price of \$2,618.69, for the Motor Transport Dept.
- (m) Contract with Everette-Noble Motors, Inc., for Two Plymouth Sedans, at a total price of \$2,926.10, for the Motor Transport Dept.
- (n) Contract with Everett-Noble Motors, Inc., for Two DeSota Sedans, at a total price of \$4,369.30, less trade-in allowance for 1940 Buick \$860.00, making a total net delivered price of \$3,508.30.
- (o) Contract with Auten Motor Company, for Eight Ford F-5 Garbage Trucks, at a total price of \$19,064.00.
- (p) Contract with Darling Motors, Inc., for Six Reo D-19 Garbage Trucks, complete with dump body, at a total price of \$14,620.14.
- (q) Contract with General Truck Company, for Six GMC, FC-302 Garbage Trucks, complete with dump body, at a total price of \$14,742.00.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET.

Upon motion of Councilman A,bea, seconded bu Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, approval was given for the transfer of \$508.30 from the Fire Department Fire hose Account (Code 1402-G-33) to the Fire Dept. Automobile Account (Code 1402-G-1).

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT TO C. I. HUNSUCK.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, approving the issuance of a Special Officer Permit to C. I. Hunsuck on the premises of Southern Railway property at Liddell Street.

CEMETERY DEEDS TRANSFERRED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albaea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute the following deeds for the transfer of cemetery lots:

- (a) To Mrs. R. F. Dorton, for Lot 285, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$81.90.
- (b) To Mrs. I. M. Horne, Lot 39, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$208.00.
- (c) To Mrs. Lula J. Robinson, Perpetual Care on Lot 281, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$25.00.
- (d) To Mrs. E. M. Sentman, Lot 97, Section S, transferred from James Harrison and wife, at \$1.00 for transfer.
- (e) Duplicate Deed to W. R. Smith and wife, Martha A. Smith for Lot 312, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00 for new deed.

REAPPOINTMENT OF H.M. WADE AND DR. HOWARD P. STEIGER TO ADVISORY BOARD ON PUBLIC HEALTH MATTERS.

Councilman Childs moved the reappointment of Mr. H. M. Wade and Dr. Howard P. Steiger to the Advisory Board on Public Health Matters, for terms of 5 years each from the expiration date of their present terms on September 29, 1948. Motion seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF COUNCILMAN CHARLES E. LAMBETH.

The following resolution was presented by Mayor Baxter, and upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Albaea, was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE DEATH
OF COUNCILMAN CHARLES E. LAMBETH.

WHEREAS, in the Providence of the Almighty God and in His Divine Wisdom, He has called Charles E. Lambeth from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant, and

WHEREAS, the genial nature and winning personality of Charlie Lambeth endeared him to his friends and associates, and he will long remain in our memory, and

WHEREAS, his service to his country, his outstanding contribution to his city as Mayor, Councilman and member of the Board of Education and manifold civic enterprises, his loyalty to his friends and devotion to his family, tell the story of the full and gracious life of Charlie Lambeth, and

WHEREAS, it is with a deep knowledge of the great loss to the City of Charlotte, and to each of us personally, that we mourn his passing and honor his memory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the members of the City Council of the City of Charlotte extend to his family our sympathy and pray

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God's blessings to rest upon them.

AND FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the City Council, a copy sent to the family of the deceased and copies furnished to the newspapers in the City of Charlotte.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILMAN T. A. CHILDS AS MAYOR PRO TEM.

Mayor Baxter suggested that the appointment of the Mayor pro tem be considered, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Charles E. Lambeth, Mayor pro tem.

Upon motion of Councilman McKee, seconded by Councilman Jordan the unanimous consent of Council was given to consider the appointment.

Councilman Alba nominated Councilman T. A. Childs as Mayor pro tem, and moved his appointment. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Alba, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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