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The City Council met in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 P. M., Wednesday, September 27, 1939, with Mayor Douglas presiding, and Councilmen Baxter, Britt, Hudson, Huntley, Little, Nance, Sides and Wilkinson being present.

Absent: Councilmen Albea, Hovis and Ward.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Britt, the minutes of the meeting of September 20th. were unanimously approved as read.

BUS ROUTE - WILMORE DRIVE SECTION - PROTESTS.

A large delegation of residents of the Wilmore section of the city appeared before the Council regarding the recent change in bus route in that section; this delegation being divided into three groups; one protesting the change recently made, which cut off West Boulevard; one desiring to retain the route now in effect, and the third wishing to have it extended down Cliffwood Place to Wilmore Drive and around Wilmore Drive to Mint Street, thus taking in a larger territory and serving more area.

A map showing the former route, the present route and the proposed route was presented by Mr. L. C. Isenhour, who favored the extension down Cliffwood Place provided the Duke Power Company will be willing to run the buses over two blocks of unpaved streets.

Mr. Paul Irwin, Attorney, represented one group present, and after hearing all the delegations, Councilman Hudson moved that a committee, composed of the Mayor, the City Manager and the City Attorney, confer with the Duke Power Company to see what can be worked out regarding the extended route down Cliffwood Place to Wilmore Drive and back to Mint Street, and report back to the Council at next Wednesday's meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Little and unanimously carried.

Mr. J. M. Scarborough, City Attorney, explained to those present, that the City Council has no authority in the matter of bus routes, but that it can merely make recommendations to the Duke Power Company and the Utilities Commission, under which Commission the Duke Power Company operates, and that they do not have to carry out the recommendations of the Council unless they so desire.

PURCHASE OF 100 WATER METERS.

On motion of Councilman Little, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, contract was awarded to the Neptune Meter Company for furnishing 100- 5/8" Water Meters, at a delivered price of \$882.00, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

Bids received from Hersey Manufacturing Co. and Pittsburgh Equitable Meter Company were the same as that of Neptune Meter Company and award was made on the basis of rotating business where quality and price are equal.

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PIPE AND FITTINGS.

The City Manager reported that bids had been received on the following Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings:

15-	6-inch Cast Iron B&S Bends	(1/8)	
10-	6-inch " " " "	(1/16)	
6-	6-inch " " " "	(1/32)	
60-	6-inch " " Plugs		
5-	8-inch " " Plugs		
180-	Ft. 12-inch Cast Iron B&S Pipe		
14,400-	Ft. 6-inch " " " "		
	Lynchburg Foundry Company		\$11,057.21
	Glamorgan Pipe & Foundry Company		11,500.25
	U. S. Cast Iron Pipe Company		11,510.00
	American Cast Iron Pipe Company		11,949.86

On motion of Councilman Britt, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute the contract with Lynchburg Foundry Company, the low bidder, at the total price of \$11,057.21.

STANDARD PRINTING COMPANY TO PRINT ANNUAL REPORT.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Nance and carried, contract for printing the City's annual report, was awarded to the lowest bidder, The Standard Printing Company, at the total price of \$249.00, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

Other bids received were as follows:

Pound and Moore Company	\$	275.00
Observer Printing House		280.00
News Publishing House		288.45
The Herald Press		300.00
The Lassiter Press		308.55
Southern Printing Company		314.75
Washburn Printing Company		325.00

PETITIONS PRESENTED ON BUS SERVICE WILMORE SECTION AND WEST BOULEVARD.

In connection with the appearance of the delegations regarding the bus service in the Wilmore Section, petitions signed by a number of residents of Wilmore, requesting that the service not be discontinued on West Boulevard, and also one to extend the service to include Wilmore Drive from West Boulevard to Cliffwood Place, was reported by the City Manager as having been received.

CONTRACT WITH STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried, the Mayor was authorized to sign the contract with the State Board of Health in connection with the State's participation in the Charlotte Health Department. This contract was read in full by the City Manager and is practically the same as the one entered into for the last fiscal year.

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ENCROACHMENT RIGHT OF WAY CONTRACTS WITH STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Britt and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute encroachment right of way contract with the State Highway Commission for the extension of a 1-inch water line from Briarcreek Road, 150 feet north; and also contract for 1-inch pipe line on Monroe Road, a distance of 630 feet south; these contracts being the standard form agreements used.

APPROVAL OF INVOICE FOR REPAIRS AND PAINTING AT MINT MUSEUM.

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Little, approval was given for the payment of an invoice for \$350.00 to Mr. Eric I. Johnson, for repairs and painting at the Mint Museum, this amount having been set up in the budget to take care of the necessary repairs at the Museum.

GATEWAY AT ANDRILL TERRACE TO BE REMOVED.

Mr. Marshall reported receipt of request from the American Bakeries Company, on West Trade Street, for the removal of the stone gateway at Andrill Terrace, on the grounds that it constitutes a traffic hazard. This gateway is on city property and it is the opinion of the Safety Inspector that it should be removed.

Councilman Wilkinson made a motion that this gateway be taken down, which was seconded by Councilman Baxter and unanimously carried.

EMPLOYMENT OF CITY WORKERS.

The City Manager reported the following persons had been employed:

Mrs. Pauline Jones, Clerk, Elmwood Cemetery
Mr. David J.C. Thomasson, Clerk, VD Clinic, Health Dept.
Woodrow Greer, Janitor, Police Department.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF SEABOARD UNDERPASS.

The City Manager reported that the Seaboard Underpass, on North Tryon Street, will be opened to traffic on next Wednesday, and on motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the Council is to formally open this underpass to traffic at 3 o'clock P. M., that afternoon.

W.P.A. PROJECT TO BE HOUSED IN CITY HALL.

Mr. Marshall advised that the North Carolina League of Municipalities is putting through a state-wide W.P.A. project for the codification of ordinances in the various cities, and that Charlotte has been selected as the working center for this district, which will employ about twelve "white-collar" workers for a period of two years, and that he had been asked to provide space to house these workers for this two-year period. After discussion, Councilman Baxter moved that space be provided in the City Hall, rather than to pay rent on an office elsewhere, and this motion was carried, after being seconded by Councilman Little.

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APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT FOR MR. R. H. GARLAND APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Sides, Mr. Robert H. Garland was appointed Special Police Officer on the premises of the G. & H. Transit Company.

STREET ASSESSMENTS ON SEIGLE AVENUE.

As Chairman of the committee to handle street assessment settlements, Councilman Baxter reported that the assessments against the Orr Land Company property on the east side of Seigle Avenue, at the corner of 10th Street, amounted to \$22,333.53, and that the appraised value of this property was only \$10,300.00, and that in the absence of one member of his committee, and the large amount involved in these assessments, he would rather that the entire Council pass on the matter. He stated that all the data in connection with this matter would be in the office of the Collector of Revenue, and that he would like for each Councilman to stop in and study it in order to be thoroughly familiar with it when called upon to vote on the question of proper settlement.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Sides, the following Cemetery transactions were approved:

Transfer of S. W. 1/4 of Lot No. 125, in Section "S", Elmwood Cemetery, from Buford Hargett and wife, Margie Hargett, to Mrs. W. G. Riggins \$1.00

Perpetual care agreement to Howard Snow for Lot No. 19, Section "Y" Elmwood Cemetery \$45.00

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, duly seconded by Councilman Little and carried, the meeting then adjourned.

Alice B. McConell
City Clerk