The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., with Mayor Douglas presiding and the following Councilmen present: Councilmen Baxter, Hovis, Hudson, Huntley, Tipton and Wilkinson.

Absent: Councilmen Boyd, Durham, Nance, Sides and Albee.

AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR BASEBALL SERIES.

Messrs. Robin Kirby and Keely Grice appeared before the Council on behalf of the American Legion Junior Baseball Series to be held in Charlotte, commencing August 19th, and requested that the Mayor issue a proclamation declaring next Wednesday afternoon (August 19th) a half-holiday, and asked that the City Council support this series officially.

The Mayor stated he would be glad to issue a proclamation asking that the City observe this date as a half holiday but that he could not so declare it.

Councilman Wilkinson made a motion that next Wednesday afternoon be granted as a half holiday for all City employees who can conveniently be away from their duties, which motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter and unanimously carried.

EAST FOURTH AND FIFTH STREET PARKING SITUATION.

Mr. Louise Carter again appeared before the Council on behalf of merchants on East 4th. and 5th. Streets protesting the present system of not permitting parking, this matter having been presented to the Council at previous meetings, and a committee appointed to investigate same.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, Councilman Wilkinson made a motion to permit thirty (30) minute parking on one side only of 4th. and 5th. Streets, as formerly. Motion seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried unanimously.

PROTESTS REGARDING OPERATION OF WRECKERS.

Mr. George Gilbert, of the Piedmont Auto Exchange, and Mr. C. H. Webber, of Webber Axle Brake and Body Service, both owners of automobile wrecking cranes, requested the Council to adopt an ordinance regulating the operation of wreckers within the City of Charlotte, stating that the present manner of so doing is a racket and exceedingly dangerous. Mr. Gilbert stated that an ordinance should be drawn making it a misdemeanor for a wrecker to answer police radio calls, as they are now doing, and Mr. Webber suggested that they be regulated the same as ambulance calls are now handled.

Councilman Hovis advised that Mr. Marshall, City Manager, and Mr. Skinner, the Traffic Instructor, have been investigating this matter, and after discussion, Mayor Douglas advised that this would be held in abeyance until the City Manager returned, and suggested that in the mean time the owners of all wrecking cranes in Charlotte hold a meeting in an effort to work out a satisfactory solution of their problems.
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PARK-O-METER COMPANY REQUEST TO APPEAR BEFORE COUNCIL.

Mr. W. C. Deaton, representative of the Park-O-Meter Company, asked permission of the Council to appear before that body at a later date to demonstrate the Park-O-Meter, stating that his Company will put in a complete installation at no cost to the City for a trial period and make a complete take-out, if not satisfactory, also without cost, in addition to allowing the City 26% of receipts during the trial period.

Inasmuch as the Council had already allowed next Wednesday afternoon as a half holiday, Mr. Deaton was granted permission to appear before the Council on Wednesday, August 26th, to demonstrate his product.

CONTRACT FOR EMULSIFIED ASPHALT

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Hudson, contract was awarded the Emulsified Asphalt Company of Charleston, for one minimum car (approximately 6,000 gallons) of emulsified asphalt for laying dust on the City's streets, at a price of $0.0885 per gal.

Bids were received from the following concerns:

- Emulsified Asphalt Company  
  $0.0885 per gal.
- Shell Eastern Petroleum Products, Inc.  
  $0.0925 per gal.
- American Bitumuls Company  
  $0.0950 per gal.

The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

PURCHASE OF NORTH CAROLINA STATE HIGHWAY BOND.

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Horis and carried unanimously, the purchase of one $1,000 North Carolina State Highway 4% Bond, due January 1, 1937, at $101.54, to yield 1%, was authorized.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Contract for a schedule of medical supplies for the Health Department was awarded to the Chemical Laboratories, Inc., the low bidder, at a price of $393.85, on motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk being authorized to sign the contract.

Bids on these supplies were as follows:

- Charlotte Chemical Laboratories, Inc.  
  $393.85
- Winchester Surgical Supply Company  
  $408.25

PURCHASE OF NORTH CAROLINA STATE 5% BONDS.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Horis, the purchase of four $1,000.00 N. C. State 5% Bonds, due February 15, 1937, at $102.00, to yield 1%, was unanimously approved.
CONTRACT FOR JAIL MATTRESSES AWARDED.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Baxter, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with the Mecklenburg Work Shop for the Blind, for forty (40) mattresses for the Jail, at a total cost of $200.00. The following bids were received:

- Mecklenburg Work Shop for the Blind: $200.00
- Ralph H. Lee: $246.00
- Lawing Mattress Factory: $254.00

WATER METER CONTRACT AWARDED.

On motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Tipton and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with the Pittsburg Equitable Meter Company of South Carolina, for 100 - 5/8" Water Meters, at a price of $9.00 each, less 2% - 30 days. Bids were also received from:

- Neptune Meter Company: $9.00, less 2% - 10 days
- Hersey Mfg. Company: 9.00, less 2% - 10 days.

PURCHASE OF 3 NORTH CAROLINA STATE HIGHWAY 4.5% BONDS.

The purchase of 3 $1,000 N. C. State Highway 4.5% Bonds, due January 1, 1937, at $101.30, to yield 1%, was authorized on motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Tipton and carried unanimously.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT GRANTED A. M. ROGERS.

At the request of the Hobbs-Peabody Construction Company, who have the contract for the construction of the two bridges on North Graham Street, Councilman Baxter moved that A. M. Rogers be granted a special officer permit during the construction of the bridges in this vicinity only. Motion seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried. This application for permit was approved by the Chief of Police.

PATVILEG LICENSE - SOUTHERN ASBESTOS MFG. COMPANY.

The request of Mr. R. P. Majors, Treasurer, of the Southern Asbestos Mfg. Co. made at the last Council meeting, for change in the present method of levying privilege taxes as affecting his company, having been deferred in order to confer with the Tax Collector, the Mayor presented the following report received from Mr. Armstrong, Collector of Revenue:

"It does not appear that asbestos manufacturing and cotton mills are one and the same class of business. Asbestos manufacturing is a combination of looms and spindles, also some crushing machinery. For this reason I recommend that "Asbestos Manufacturing" license be made $100.00, the same as license for "Refiners.""

Councilman Wilkinson moved that the recommendation of the Collector of Revenue be adopted. Motion seconded by Councilman Hovis and unanimously carried.
RESOLUTION UPON THE DEATH OF D. M. BOYD, BROTHER OF COUNCILMAN JOHN F. BOYD.

The following resolution was read by the Clerk and upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley, was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in the Divine Wisdom of Almighty God, He has called Daniel M. Boyd, brother of Mr. John F. Boyd, a member of the City Council of Charlotte, from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: First, That we, as members of the City Council of the City of Charlotte bow in humble submission to the will of Almighty God, knowing that He is too wise to err and too kind to willingly afflict without cause.

Second, That we extend to Mr. John F. Boyd and to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy in this hour of bereavement.

Third, That copies 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.

ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO REMOVAL CHARGES ON ARMY-AUDITORIUM PASSED ON SECOND READING.

Councilman Baxter stated that the ordinance presented at the last meeting, entitled: "An Ordinance Amending Ordinance Adopted June 19,1935, Entitled 'An Ordinance regulating the Leasing, Use and Occupancy of the City Armory-Auditorium'" was deferred for second reading until this date, and moved that the Ordinance be adopted on its second reading. This motion seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried.

Ordinance not placed on third reading at this time.

REQUEST FOR DONATION TO BETTER HOUSING COMMITTEE DEFERRED.

Councilman Baxter stated that the Better Housing Committee has been very active in Charlotte in helping home owners to finance their homes through the F.H.A., and that the expense of this office in the past has been borne by the Citizens of Charlotte, and that they are now needing assistance and have asked that the City donate $300.00 for this purpose. Councilman Baxter stated he felt that this is a good cause if the City can legally donate this amount.

Councilman Wilkinson suggested that the matter be deferred in order to get a ruling from the City Attorneys as to the legality of same, and Mayor Douglas referred the matter to the Public Works Committee for investigation.
MINUTES OF JULY 27TH. MEETING APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the minutes of the meeting of July 27th, 1936, were unanimously approved as read.

MINUTES OF AUGUST 5TH. MEETING APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Tipton, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the minutes of the meeting of August 5th, 1936, were unanimously approved as read.

Cemetery Deeds.

The following cemetery deeds were ordered recorded, on motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Tipton:

Mrs. Ore May Neithardt, East Half Lot #340, Section "U"  $35.00

N. S. Turner, East Half of Lot #341, Section "U"  35.00

Perpetual care on Lot Fract #2, Section "A", in the name of Mrs. Henry E. Nobles, issued to the Estate of Leo, Henry E. Nobles, by G. N. Scranton  55.00

Adjournment

Motion by Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Huntley, to adjourn, unanimously carried.

City Clerk