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The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, June 24, 1936, at 4:00 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Douglas presiding.


Absent: Councilman Boyd.

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Reading of Minutes of June 3rd., June 12th. and June 17th. 1936.

The reading of the minutes of June 3rd., 12th., and 17th., which had been postponed at the respective previous meetings, was: the first business of the Council and on motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Durham, were unanimously approved as read.

Proposed Negro School Site.

A large delegation of colored citizens of Charlotte were present at this meeting and Thad Tate, spokesman for the group, stated that they were here to oppose the location of the proposed Negro High School on the old Water Works property.

Dr. Gordon, J. T. Sanders, negro attorney; representatives from the Ministerial Interdenominational Alliance; the Citizens League and others, entered protests against the proposed site, because of its closeness to the railroad tracks, to the playground development and because of the low ground and inaccessibility in bad weather because of lack of paved streets. They asked that the City consider the property which it owns at the corner of Seatties Ford Road and Oaklawn Avenue, but the City Manager explained that this site would not be available as it was needed for expansion of the present Filtration Plant.

Prof. Harding, Supt. of Schools, reviewed the situation for the benefit of those present, stressing the need for a new colored high school and pressure of time if this school is to be ready by the opening of the fall term. Prof. Harding stated that his Board is simply asking the City Council to give its assent to this location and that the County Board would then consider whether the school would be built. He suggested that the Negro citizens appear before the County Board with their request since the Council had nothing to do with the school's location except to give its permission for the use of the land.

J. T. Sanders then asked that no action be taken until a committee of colored citizens could confer with the proper Board regarding the location, stating that the colored citizens would rather have no school at all than a school on this site.

After much discussion, Councilman Hudson made a motion that this matter be held in abeyance for one week. Motion seconded by Councilman Albee.
COUNCILMAN SIDES OPPOSED THIS DELAY SINCE ONE WEEK's DELAY WOULD PERHAPS MEAN A DELAY OF ONE MONTH BEFORE IT COULD BE PRESENTED TO THE DIFFERENT BOARDS, BUT A VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULT:

AYE: COUNCILMAN ALBEA, BAXTER, DURHAM, HOVIS, HUDSON, NANCE, TIPTON AND WILKINSON.

NAY: COUNCILMAN HUNTLEY AND SIDES.

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION EXTENDING INVITATION TO NOTABLES TO ATTEND "GREEN PASTURES DEMOCRATIC RALLY" IN CHARLOTTE SEPTEMBER 10, 1936.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR AND ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN WILKINSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALBEA, WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED:

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ALL OTHER DEMOCRATS:

WHEREAS, THE "GREEN PASTURES DEMOCRATIC RALLY" IS TO BE HELD AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, ON OR ABOUT SEPTEMBER 10th, 1936, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING THE CANDIDACY OF HON. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT TO SUCCEED HIMSELF AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND TO PROMOTE THE BEST INTEREST OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN THE SOUTH:

AND, WHEREAS, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO BE PRESENT AT SAID RALLY AND DELIVER THE CHIEF ADDRESS:


DONE AT REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

THIS THE 24th DAY OF JUNE 1936.
MEMBERSHIP IN CHARLOTTE & MFGS. ASSOCIATION DECLINED.

Mr. Marshall reported request received from the Charlotte Shippers & Manufacturers Association, Inc. that the City of Charlotte purchase a membership in this organization at $500.00 per year, but that the City Attorneys had ruled that the City could not legally enroll as a member in this association at this price.

Councilman Albee moved that the City Council abide by the City Attorneys decision and deny the request. Motion seconded by Councilman Tipton and unanimously carried.

RE-ASSESSMENT - NORTH TRYON STREET.

On motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Durham, the following re-assessment ordinance was unanimously adopted on three readings:

The City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, do ordain that the special benefits to the abutting property on North Tryon Street on account of the paving of the street, beginning at the southwest corner of the intersection of North Tryon Street and West 24th Street and running in a southerly direction with North Tryon Street, a distance of 456.50 feet; being originally assessed as a whole against the N. W. Wallace estate, is hereby subdivided and re-assessed on the westerly side only, as follows:

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Report of Accidents to City Employees Period March 1st. to June 24th, 1936.

The City Manager reported a total of 55 accidents to City employees since March 1, 1936, and called attention to the decrease in number in the Motor Transport and Sanitary Division, stating the Superintendent of this Department is to be congratulated on this great decrease, but that the Fire and Police Departments were increasing and that attention of the Department Heads will be called to this matter.
REQUEST FOR ST. JULIAN STREET TO BE TAKEN OVER FOR CITY MAINTENANCE DECLINED.

The City Manager reported a petition received for top-soiling and taking over for maintenance St. Julian Street, but advised that this street is being developed by a development company and that no property has yet been sold for private residences and that it has not been the policy of the City to construct streets for purely development purposes and recommended that the matter be held in abeyance until such time as the property is sold to private parties.

Thereupon, the Mayor referred the matter to the Public Works Committee.

ATTENTION OF COUNCIL CALLED TO OPERATING BUDGET FOR 11 MONTHS.

The City Manager called attention to the operating budget for the past eleven months, a copy of which had been furnished each member of the Council.

AMBULANCE ORDINANCE.

Councilman Hovis introduced the following ordinance and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Councilman Durham and after discussion as to amount of insurance required, was unanimously adopted on three readings, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE
TO REQUIRE AMBULANCE OPERATORS CARRYING PASSENGERS FOR HIRE WITHIN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE TO TAKE OUT AND CARRY LIABILITY INSURANCE OR PROVIDE THEMSELVES WITH SURETY BONDS AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 279 PUBLIC LAWS OF 1935.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE IN REGULAR SESSION:

Section 1. That on or after the 1st. day of August, 1936, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or association of individuals to operate or permit or cause to be operated any ambulance transporting passengers for hire over the public streets of the City of Charlotte, without first taking out and keeping in effect at all times for each such ambulance so operated, a Policy of Insurance in some Insurance Company duly licensed by the Insurance Commissioner of North Carolina to do business in the State of North Carolina or provide themselves with a Surety Bond with individual or corporate sureties as may be approved by the City Council, said Policy of Insurance or Surety Bond for each ambulance so used and operated to cover damages to persons and property in the following amounts:
$5,000.00 for injury to one person in any one accident
$10,000.00 for injury to two or more persons in any one accident
$5,000.00 for property damage in any one accident

Said policy of insurance or surety bond to be conditioned on the owner and/or operator of each ambulance responding in any damages for any liability incurred on account of injuring a person or persons or damage to property resulting from the operation of any such ambulance.

Section 2. That every person, firm, corporation or association of individuals intending to operate or cause to be operated an ambulance for hire within the City of Charlotte on and after the 1st day of August 1936, shall, as a condition precedent to the operation of any such ambulance, file with the Chief of Police of the City of Charlotte on or before the 1st day of August 1936, their or its name, the number of ambulances owned or operated carrying passengers for hire in the City of Charlotte, the name of the insurance company in which the insurance herein provided for is carried, the number of each policy so carried and the expiration dates—provided, that if a surety bond is carried instead of an insurance policy, such person, firm or corporation shall have said bond prepared, executed and delivered to the City Clerk of the City of Charlotte to be approved by the City Council.

Section 3. Every person, firm or corporation who shall operate or permit or cause to be operated any such ambulance for the purpose of carrying passengers for hire within the City of Charlotte on or after the 1st day of August 1936, in violation of the foregoing provisions shall, upon conviction, be subject to a penalty of $50.00 for each and every such operation of any such ambulance.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective on and after midnight, July 31, 1936.

Section 5. Any ordinance or portions of ordinances herefore adopted by the City Council which conflict with this ordinance is hereby repealed.

Cemetery Deed.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Hovis the following cemetery deed was ordered recorded:

Sam Kendall, Lot No. 14, "D" Section, Pinewood Cemetery $58.00

Adjournment

On motion of Councilman Alsea, seconded by Councilman Hudson and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned.

Alice T. McConnell
CITY CLERK