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A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, March 24, 1954, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Van Every presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Boyd, Brown, Dellinger, Smith and Wilkinson present.

Absent: None

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on March 17th were approved as submitted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS ON TUCKASEEGERE ROAD.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution Authorizing Permanent Improvements on Tuckasegee Road" was introduced and placed on its final reading. No objections to the improvements was registered. Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 2, at Page 182.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING APPRAISERS IN CONNECTION WITH PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS ON TUCKASEEGERE ROAD.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution Appointing Appraisers in Connection with Permanent Improvements on Tuckasegee Road" was presented and read. Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, the resolution was adopted. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 2, at Page 184.

REPORT BY COUNCILMAN BAXTER ON 14-POINT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Councilman Baxter reported that the status of each of 14-points included in the Improvement Program he submitted to Council on November 4, 1953, with the recommendation that it be carried out by the City, is as follows:

Point 1. WIDENING THE SCOPE OF THE PLANNING BOARD TO EXTEND GROWTH IN THE PERIMETER AREA.

That this program is now in the working, with a good start having been made.

Point 2. AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE OFF-STREET PARKING.

That the amendments are being drafted by the City Attorney and will probably be ready for consideration next week.

Point 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF SETBACK LINES.

That lines have been established on four streets and will be established on South McDowell Street today.
Point 4. REVISION OF CITY CHARTER.

That nothing has been done about this recommendation.

Point 5. CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HEALTH CENTER.

That this is being worked on by the Special Committee.

Point 6. IMPROVEMENTS TO SUGAW CREEK.

That he appreciated the Mayor’s cooperation in connection with this, and he would have some information for the Council next week that will be very interesting.

Point 7. EXPANSION OF FILTER PLANT AND WATER LINES.

That contracts will be let for this next week.

Point 8. ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRAFFIC COURT.

That nothing has been done about this – it should be investigated, or studied.

Point 9. PERIMETER ZONING.

That some progress has been made on this – the candidates for the General Assembly have agreed to this proposed zoning.

Point 10. ROADWAY FROM KING’S DRIVE TO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OVER SUGAW CREEK.

That this has been approved.

Point 11. IMPROVEMENTS TO SIDEWALKS ON TRADE AND TRYON STREETS.

That nothing has been done about this yet, and he would like it pushed.

Point 12. STREET-LIGHTING (WHITE-WAY) EXTENSION.

That the City Manager advises this program is being carried out gradually.

Point 13. PROMOTION OF NEW NEGRO HOSPITAL.

That at the wise suggestion of the Mayor, the report from Washington is being awaited on this item.

Mayor Van Every stated he wanted to correct this – that at his suggestion the United Community Social Services Committee is making a study of the negro hospitalization needs; that they have met with the Hospital officials and will give us a report as soon as it is completed.

Point 14. CONSOLIDATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS.

That this has been considered.

Councilman Baxter advised that 8 of the 14-points are now operating, and urged that action be started on the remaining 6 points.
ORDINANCE NO. 205 AMENDING THE SETBACK ORDINANCE AND ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BUILDING SETBACK LINES ON SOUTH MCDOWELL STREET, ADOPTED.

An ordinance entitled: "Ordinance No. 205 Amending the Setback Ordinance and Ordinance Establishing Building Setback Lines on South McDowell Street," was introduced and read. Upon motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, the ordinance was adopted. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 341.

ORDINANCE NO. 206 AMENDING THE BUILDING CODE SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR PREFABRICATED METAL FLUES, ADOPTED.

An ordinance entitled: "Ordinance No. 206 Amending the Building Code so as to Provide for Prefabricated Metal Flues," was introduced and read. Councilman Smith moved the adoption of the ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously adopted. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 342.

REMOVAL OF TREE FROM PLANTING STRIP AT 1756 QUEENS ROAD WEST APPROVED.

Councilman Brown moved that permission be granted Mr. E. R. Dimmette to remove a tree from the planting strip in front of his residence at 1756 Queens Road West which interferes with the construction of a driveway. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albee, and unanimously carried.

APPLICATION FOR LOCATION OF BUILDING FOR SUB-STATION AND STORAGE OF COMPRESSED GASES AT 2300 SOUTH BOULEVARD APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, an application for the location of a building for a sub-station and the storage of compressed gases at 2300 South Boulevard, in an industrial zone, was authorized.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR THE PURCHASE OF 10,000 BICYCLE MANUALS FROM THE POLICE SAFETY COUNCIL, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

Motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, awarding contract for the purchase of 10,000 Bicycle Manuals from the Police Safety Council, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in accordance with specifications, at a net delivered price of $1,043.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED BILL SHAW COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF OFFICE FURNITURE FOR NEW AIRPORT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

Upon motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, a contract was awarded Bill Shaw Company for the purchase of 27 items of office furniture for the New Airport Administration Building, as specified, at a total price of $1,522.42, subject to 2% cash discount.

CONTRACT AWARDED DARLING VALVE & MFG. CO. FOR FOUR GATE VALVES.

Councilman Baxter moved that contract be awarded Darling Valve & Manufacturing Company for Four 16-inch Darling No. W-33 Gate Valves, as specified, for the total sum of $2,866.20, subject to 2% cash discount. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED BLYTHE BROS., COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON QUEENS ROAD WEST CENTER PLANTING STRIP.

Motion was made by Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Smith, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to Blythe Bros. Company for the construction of improvements to Queens Road West Center Planting Strip, on a unit price basis, representing a total price of $15,768.00.
CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Delligier, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, the construction of driveway entrances was authorized at the following locations:

(a) Two 20-ft. driveways at 1316 East 7th Street.
(b) One 35-ft. driveway on Stonewall Street and One 30-ft. on College Street, both for 501 S. College Street.
(c) One 30-ft. driveway at 128 E. Myers Street.
(d) One 35-ft. driveway at 205 W. Morehead Street.

RENEWAL OF SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS AUTHORIZED TO JOHN W. KAY AND E. C. SULLIVAN.

Motion was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the renewal of Special Officer Permits to the following persons:

(a) Permit to John W. Kay, for use on the premises of Domestic Laundry.
(b) Permit to E. C. Sullivan, for use on the premises of Lacey, Inc.

RENEWAL LEASES ON AIRPORT BUILDINGS CONCLUDED.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, advised that renewal leases have been concluded on the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport:

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TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

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

(a) Deed with Mrs. Lea Frye, for Grave #5 on Lot 116, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at $26.00.
(b) Deed with James K. Brown, for Lot 207, Section 4-A, Evergreen Cemetery, at $81.90.
(c) Deed with Mrs. Rose W. Jones, for Perpetual Care on Lot 105, Section A, Elmwood Cemetery, at $144.00.
(d) Deed with Mrs. Helen P. Ketchie, for east part of Lot 9, in Section A-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, transferred from Mrs. S. A. Pierce, at $1.00 for transfer deed.
(e) Deed with Mrs. S. A. Pierce, for west part of Lot 9, in Section A-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at $1.00 for issuance of new deed.

ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE IN CONNECTION WITH TESTING AIRPORT RUNWAYS AUTHORIZED.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, advised that on February 10th, the City Council authorized that tests be made to determine the weight limitations and carrying capacities of the runways at the Airport, at a cost not to exceed $1,000.00. That the total cost of this work amounts to $1,376.00, and he requested that the additional expenditure be approved. Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Delligier, and unanimously carried, payment of the additional amount of $376.00 was authorized.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.