MAY 13, 1936

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Wednesday, May 13, 1936, at 4:00 o'clock P.M., with Mayor Douglas presiding, and Councilmen Albee, Baxter, Boyd, Durham, Hudson, Nance, Tipton and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Councilmen Hovis, Huntley and Sides.

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Minutes of May 6th meeting approved.

On motion of Councilman Albee, seconded by Councilman Durham, the minutes of the meeting of May 6th, were approved as read.

COUNCIL, MAYOR, CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEYS PRAISED BY H. M. WADE, LOCAL BUSINESS MAN.

Mr. H. M. Wade, local businessman, appeared before the Council to express his appreciation, as a private citizen, for the harmony, universal interest and lack of friction that the City Council has shown during their entire term of office. Mr. Wade also expressed his high regard for the Council's selection of the City Manager, Mr. J. B. Marshall, and stated he was very gratified with the results being accomplished by the larger body.

DOG ORDINANCE

MR. BURTON SMITH WAS AGAIN PRESENT AT THIS MEETING IN CONNECTION WITH HIS REQUEST OF SEVERAL WEEKS AGO FOR RIGID ENFORCEMENT OF THE ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL DOGS TO BE MUZZLED.

The following recommendation was made by the Committee handling this matter; Councilman Albee, Chairman:

"The Health Committee recommends to the Council that the City Attorneys be instructed to revise the Ordinance in reference to dogs, so that no dog shall be muzzled except those that have shown indications of viciousness, and that we recommend to the City Manager that a Dog Pound be built and that the City Manager obtain such additional help as the Dog Catcher may need to clear all stray dogs from the City."

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Tipton, this recommendation was unanimously adopted.
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SEWER LINE ON POST STREET.

COUNCILMAN BAXTER, CHAIRMAN OF THE PUBLIC WORKS
COMMITTEE, REPORTED THAT HIS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE
REQUEST FOR THE CITY TO CONSTRUCT A SEWER ON POST STREET FROM
THE AIR REDUCTION PLANT TO ELLIOTT STREET, BE GRANTED. THIS
WORK ESTIMATED TO COST $334.00; AND ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN
BAXTER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WILKINSON, THIS RECOMMENDATION
WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

CLAIM OF MR. FRED A. WARD DISALLOWED.

THE POLICE COMMITTEE REPORTED ON THE REQUEST OF
MR. FRED A. WARD FOR RE-IMBURSEMENT OF COST OF TAKING ANTIBIotics.
RABIES TREATMENT, AS FOLLOWS: "AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION
IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO
DISALLOW THIS CLAIM, AS WE BELIEVE THE CITY WAS NOT AT FAULT
IN THIS CONNECTION".

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN WILKINSON, SECONDED BY
COUNCILMAN TIPTON THAT THIS RECOMMENDATION BE ADOPTED, WAS
UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

TRAFFIC SCHOOL.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN HUDSON, SECONDED BY
COUNCILMAN NANCE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE RECOMMENDATION
OF THE POLICE COMMITTEE TO DEFER ACTION ON THE MATTER OF
CONDUCTING A TRAFFIC SCHOOL UNTIL AFTER THE NEXT BUDGET IS
MADE, NO FUNDS BEING AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME TO CONDUCT AND
PROPERLY OPERATE A SCHOOL OF THIS NATURE, WAS ADOPTED.

WINTER STREET TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

A NEW PETITION HAVING BEEN RECEIVED REQUESTING
THE CITY TO TAKE OVER WINTER STREET ONE BLOCK NORTH OF BELVEDERE
AVENUE, SIGNED BY NINE OWNERS OR RESIDENTS, COUNCILMAN ALBEA
MADE A MOTION THAT THIS WORK BE DONE, THE ESTIMATED COST TO
PUT THIS STREET IN SHAPE BEING $272.00. MOTION SECONDED BY
COUNCILMAN BAXTER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

RESOLUTION ON SOUTH GRAHAM STREET OVERPASS.

 THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY
COUNCILMAN BOYD AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALBEA AND UPON
BEING PUT TO VOTE WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED:

"WHEREAS, THAT IMPROVEMENT DESIGNATED BY THE
STATE HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION AS PROJECT NO. 6528
IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE MOST NECESSARY IMPROVEMENT IN THE HIGH-
WAY SYSTEM IN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE SAID MUNICIPALITY,
FOR THE PROMOTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CONVENIENCE:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ABOVE
PROJECT $6528 BE AND IS HEREBY FORMALLY APPROVED BY THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE SAID MUNICIPALITY, AND THAT THE MAYOR AND CLERK
OF THE SAID MUNICIPALITY BE AND ARE HEREBY EMPowered TO SIGN
AND EXECUTE THE REQUIRED AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE SAID MUNICIPALITY AND THE STATE HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION."

OLD AUDITORIUM PROPERTY.

CITY MANAGER MARSHALL REPORTED THAT AT A MEETING OF THE INTERESTED PARTIES CONCERNING THE SALE OF THE OLD AUDITORIUM PROPERTY NO PLAN WAS DEVELOPED WHEREBY FORECLOSURE COULD BE FORESTALLED AND IT WAS THE OPINION OF ALL PARTIES CONCERNED THAT THE BEST METHOD WAS TO LET THE PROPERTY BE SOLD ON NEXT MONDAY.

COUNCILMAN HUDSON THEN MADE A MOTION THAT THE CITY MANAGER BE AUTHORIZED TO ATTEND THIS SALE, REPRESENTING THE CITY, AND BID THE NECESSARY AMOUNT TO PROTECT THE CITY'S INTEREST. MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BOYD AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

AMENDMENT TO ELECTRICAL ORDINANCE.

THE CITY MANAGER PRESENTED AN AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTRICAL ORDINANCE WHICH WAS NECESSARY TO CLARIFY CERTAIN INSPECTION CHARGES THAT ARE NOT CLEARLY STATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND WHICH WERE CAUSING CONFUSION. THIS AMENDMENT READING AS FOLLOWS:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ELECTRICAL ORDINANCE, SECTION 418 OF THE 1931 CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, N. C.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE THAT SECTION 418 OF THE ELECTRICAL CODE BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1 - (418) INSPECTION FEE. THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE THE FEES FOR THE INSPECTION OF ELECTRICAL WIRING AND EQUIPMENT IN ANY BUILDING IN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE. SAID FEES SHALL BE PAID INTO THE TREASURY OF THE CITY AS PRESCRIBED. ANY ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR WHO SHALL FAIL TO PAY FEES AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN WILL NOT BE GRANTED FURTHER PERMITS.

1. ALL TYPES OF SERVICE INSTALLATIONS (114-220V LIGHTING AND 3 PHASE POWER) INCLUDING METER CONNECTIONS (EXCLUSIVE OF OUTLETS, ETC.)............. .50

2. OUTDOOR METER INSTALLATIONS PER METER............. .50

3. MINIMUM INSPECTION FEE FOR REPAIRS, REPLACEMENTS AND RE-ARRANGEMENTS ON OLD WORK. (THIS RATE APPLIES ONLY TO MINOR WORK)............................. .25

4. MINIMUM INSPECTION FEE FOR ALL NEW WORK (TO TAKE CARE OF ALL UNCLASSIFIED)............................. .50
5. Electric signs including 30-amp size and less
   (reconnect only) .......................................................... .25
   Electric signs including 30-amp size and less
   (original installation complete) ......................................... .50

6. Electric signs including 60-amp size and over
   (reconnect only) .......................................................... .50
   Electric signs including 60-amp size and over
   (original installation complete) ......................................... 1.00

7. Electric range complete with outdoor meter and service ..................... 1.00

8. Electric range complete installation less service ............................. .50

9. Oil burners, coal stokers, x-ray machines with external thermo controls .75

10. Fixtures 1 to 10 (a fixture shall mean any outlet regardless of number of sockets) .50

11. Fixtures all over 10, each .................................................... .10

12. Outlets:
    1 to 3 ................................................................. .25
    4 to 8 ................................................................. .50
    9 to 14 ......................................................... 1.00
    15 to 22 ..................................................... 1.50
    23 to 30 .................................................... 2.00
    31 to 40 ..................................................... 2.50
    41 to 50 ..................................................... 3.00
    51 to 60 ..................................................... 3.50
    61 to 70 ..................................................... 4.00
    71 to 80 ..................................................... 4.50
    81 to 90 ..................................................... 5.00
    91 to 100 ................................................... 5.50

    .05 for each additional outlet over 100.

13. Motors:
    1 h. p ............................................................ .50
    2 h. p ............................................................ .75
    3 h. p ............................................................ 1.00
    5 h. p ......................................................... 1.50
    7½ h. p ....................................................... 2.00
    10 h. p ........................................................... 3.00
    15 h. p ........................................................... 4.50
    20 h. p ........................................................... 5.50
    30 h. p ........................................................... 6.00
    50 h. p ........................................................... 7.00
    75 h. p ........................................................... 8.00
    100 h. p ....................................................... 10.00
    101 to 200 h. p ............................................... 5.00

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its first publication.

On motion of Councilman Tipton, seconded by Councilman Boyd, the above ordinance was unanimously adopted on three readings, and declared by the Mayor to be an ordinance of the City of Charlotte.

PURCHASE OF GUILFORD COUNTY HIGHWAY BONDS.

On motion of Councilman Nance, seconded by Councilman Albee and unanimously carried, the City Manager was authorized to purchase 2 $1000.00 5-1/4% Guilford County Highway Bonds, due March 1, 1937, at $102.88, to yield 6-3/4%, for the Sinking Fund account, subject to the approval of the Local Government Commission.
COMPENSATION FUND.

Mr. Marshall reported that the amount appropriated for Compensation Insurance will be exhausted before the end of the fiscal year, a balance of only $1,155.43 now on hand, and it being estimated that the claims, hospital expenses, etc., will total approximately $2,000.00.

Councilman Hudson made a motion that $1,000.00 be set aside from the Contingent Fund for this account. Motion seconded by Councilman Nance and unanimously carried.

MAY 20TH. MECKLENBURG DECLARATION DAY—DECLARED A HOLIDAY FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Boyd and unanimously carried, May 20th, 1936 (Wednesday) was declared a holiday for all City employees who can conveniently be away from their duties, in commemoration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence of May 20, 1775, and the Council meeting of this date was postponed subject to the call of the Mayor.

TELEGRAM TO BE SENT COUNCILMAN SIDES RELATIVE TO HIGH SCHOOL BAND.

On motion of Councilman Tipton, seconded by Councilman Boyd and unanimously carried, the Mayor was authorized to send a telegram to Councilman Sides, in Cleveland, Ohio, that the Central High School Band of Charlotte will be successful in the National Band Contest.

Cemetery Deeds

On motion of Councilman Tipton, seconded by Councilman Albea, the following cemetery deeds were ordered placed of record:

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Treadaway, Lot #302, Sec. "U" $101.50
Mrs. Ida H. Ingle, East Half Lot #285, "U" $35.00 with credit of $12.50 allowed for exchange of 1 Stranger's grave plot, balance $22.50

General Motors Parade of Progress

An invitation was extended the Mayor and Council to meet with the General Motors Parade of Progress immediately after Council meeting and have their pictures made.

Council Beginning Second Year of Work.

Councilman Albea brought to the attention of the Council that this was the first meeting in the second year of this Council's administration.

Adjournment.

Motion by Councilman Boyd, seconded by Councilman Albea, to adjourn, unanimously carried.