A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber in the City Hall, on Wednesday, May 29, 1957, at 11 o'clock a.m., with Mayor Smith presiding and Council members Albee, Baxter, Brown, Dellinger, Evans, Poard and Wilkinson being present.

ABSENT: None

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albee.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on May 22nd were approved as submitted.

OVER-FORTY CLUB EXPLAINED BY PRESIDENT AND BOARD MEMBER.

Mr. Waldo Cheek, member of the Board of the Over-Forty Club and Mrs. Ethel Sloop, President of the Club, appeared before Council to explain the purpose of the Club. Mr. Cheek stated the placement of persons over forty years of age is of great importance to our city, its government, our business establishments and the insurance field. That many business men would like to employ persons over forty but cannot do so as they would not fit into their retirement systems. That the Club hopes to afford a facility where these persons and business can work out something together. That there are more jobs available for more people now than in recent years and more people out of work. That the organization would like to think they can depend on the City Officials for support as individuals.

Mayor Smith asked what Mr. Cheek would like them to do? Mr. Cheek replied they would like the City Officials to learn more about their program; acquaint themselves with what they are trying to do. That they are holding a Breakfast at Honey’s Restaurant on next Monday morning and will explain the program in detail and they believe theirs is an agency that will help government.

Mrs. Sloop stated the Club was formed in June, 1955, that 425 people have since been placed in jobs.
Councilwoman Evans asked if any of the persons applying for placement are welfare potentials? Mrs. Sloop replied that they are and that many of the persons placed in jobs were taken from the welfare rolls, which is an aid to government and to us all from the tax viewpoint. She stated further that although the idea of the Club was her own, she does not take credit for what has been done, that Mr. Cheek and the other Board members have done a grand job because of their interest in the problems of the older worker and for business at large.

Mayor Smith stated he is sure the Council has a great interest in such a program and will assist in any way they can.

REQUEST THAT RATS AT MANHOLES AT 1015 ROMANY ROAD BE ERADICATED.

Councilman Dellinger stated he has received complaints from residents of 1015 Romany Road about the rats around the manholes in the area, and asked that the City Manager have them eradicated.

REAPPOINTMENT OF JAMES A. HARDISON TO STATE HIGHWAY & PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION RECOMMENDED TO GOVERNOR HODGES.

Councilman Baxter moved that the Council commend Mr. James A. Hardison for his splendid services to Charlotte and recommend his reappointment to the State Highway & Public Works Commission to Governor Luther Hodges. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albes, and unanimously carried.

COUNCILMAN BROWN URGES THAT ASSISTANCE BE GIVEN IN GETTING OUT THE VOTE IN THE CITY LIMITS EXTENSION ELECTION OF JULY 15, 1957.

Councilman Brown stated that the Chamber of Commerce will be most active in getting out the vote for the City Limits Extension Election on July 15th, and he feels the Council should lend every assistance possible. That there will be many young people coming home from school and they should be impressed with the importance of registering and voting in the election.

SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTED TO GIVE CITY PRIOR NOTICE OF DISPOSITION TO DISPOSE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY BETWEEN INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD AND COMMONWEALTH AVENUE.

Councilman Brown stated that he felt it would be too bad for the City to allow the 23 acres of land, between Independence Boulevard and Commonwealth Avenue to get away from us, and he moved that the Council go on record requesting the School Board to give us prior notice of any disposition on their part to dispose of the property. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried.
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LETTER OF APPRECIATION FOR COUNCIL’S RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF MR. RUBE HATCHER.

A letter from Mrs. Jean Cole Hatcher, was presented, expressing her appreciation for the adoption of a resolution by the Council in memory of her husband, Mr. Rube Hatcher, as follows:

"Mrs. Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk
City of Charlotte
North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Hoffman:

John Cole and I want to express our heartfelt thanks for the resolution which the City Council passed in honor and memory of Rube. This recognition of his service made us very proud and gave us much comfort in our bereavement.

This resolution is especially comforting to me because I know how proud Rube was of his association with the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the City Council.

He was always sincerely interested in good government, and he felt that the people who were responsible for the city government in Charlotte were doing an excellent job.

John Cole and I would appreciate it very much if you would extend to the members of the City Council our thanks for this resolution and their beautiful expression of sympathy.

Sincerely yours,

Signed Jean Cole Hatcher
(Mrs. Rube Hatcher)"

Funds allocated from emergency fund to pay for proposed city limit signs.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, stated the City has been asked to place suitable signs on every roadway to indicate the proposed city limits in the coming election on July 15th. That it is estimated that the signs will cost $1,200.00. Councilman Wilkinson moved that $1,200.00 be allocated from the Emergency Fund to pay for the signs. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.


An ordinance entitled: "Ordinance No. 399-X Levy, Assessing, Imposing and Defining the License and Privilege Taxes of the City of Charlotte for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1957 and Ending June 30, 1958" was
introduced by Councilman Wilkinson and read, who then moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried. The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 12, at page 155.

RESOLUTION FOR COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS AND OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES MAKING APPLICATION FOR COVERAGE OF POLICEMEN AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS UNDER THE OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE PROVISIONS OF TITLE II OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.

A resolution entitled: "Resolution for Counties, Cities and Towns and Other Public Agencies Making Application for Coverage of Policemen and Other Law Enforcement Officers Under the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Provisions of Title II of the Federal Social Security Act" was introduced by Councilman Dellinger and read. Motion for the adoption of the resolution was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Brown and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 3, at page 88.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED EXECUTED WITH LOUIS H. ASBURY & ASSOCIATES AS ARCHITECTS FOR PROPOSED FIRE STATION IN NORTHWESTERN SECTION OF CHARLOTTE.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute a contract with Louis H. Asbury & Associates for architectural services on the proposed fire station in the northwestern section of Charlotte.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH P & N RAILWAY COMPANY FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS IN PROPERTY ADJACENT TO CHEMWAY ROAD.

Councilman Dellinger moved approval of a contract with the P & N Railway Company for the installation of 5,285 feet of water mains and 6 hydrants in their property adjacent to Chemway Road, outside the city limits, at an estimated cost of $33,425.00. All costs to be borne by the applicant, who will dedicate the mains to the City without cost upon completion and acceptance by the City. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried, the construction of sanitary sewers was authorized as follows:
(a) Construction of 300-ft. of 8-inch sanitary sewer line in Park Road, to replace existing line during the construction of the new bridge by the State Highway Commission. Estimated cost is $1,180.00, which will be borne by the city.

(b) Construction of 1,060-feet of 8-inch sanitary sewer line in Jamestown Drive, upon request of John Crosland Company to serve 27 vacant lots, at an estimated cost of $2,370.00. All cost to be borne by the city, and applicant's deposit of the full amount to be refunded as per terms of the contract.

(c) Construction of 275-ft. of 8-inch sanitary sewer line in Trensean Avenue, upon request of Mrs. W. M. Farmer, to serve one residence, at an estimated cost of $490.00. All cost to be borne by the City, with no refund of applicant's deposit of $280.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED W. E. CARRIKER, PAINTING CONTRACTOR, FOR PAINTING CATARAQUA RIVER PUMPING STATION AND OFFICE.

Councilman Albee moved that contract be awarded the low bidder, W. E. Carriker, Painting Contractor, to furnish all labor, tools, equipment, supervision and materials, except paint and thinners, necessary to clean and paint Cataraqua River Pumping Station and Office, in accordance with specifications at a total price of $1,190.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Foard, and unanimously carried.

Bids received on this work are as follows:

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CONTRACT AWARDED CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF OVERHEAD BRIDGE ON REMOUNT ROAD.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilwoman Evans, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Crowder Construction Company for the construction of the Overhead Bridge on Remount Road, on a unit price basis, to be completed within 180 days, at a total bid price of $119,130.91.

Bidders for this job are as follows:

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CONTRACT AWARDED CONCRETE PRODUCTS COMPANY FOR 1,000 CONCRETE METER BOXES.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Brown, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the only bidder, Concrete Products Company, for 1,000 Concrete Meter Boxes with Covers, City of Charlotte accepted standard pattern, as specified, on a unit price basis of $4.50 each, representing a net delivered price of $4,500.00.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute a deed with Mr. W. A. Kelly and wife, for the transfer to them of Graves #4 and #5, in Lot 87, Section 3 of Evergreen Cemetery, at a cost of $80.00.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman, City Clerk