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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1935, AT 4:00 O'CLOCK P. M., MAYOR DOUGLAS PRESIDING, AND COUNCILMEN: ALBEA, BAXTER, DURHAM, HOVIS, HUDSON, HUNTLEY, NANCE, TIPTON AND SIDES PRESENT.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN BOYD AND WILKINSON.

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4TH. MEETING APPROVED.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN HOVIS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HUDSON, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 4TH. WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED AS READ.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

SUIT OF MAE DAVIS AGAINST CITY.

CITY MANAGER MARSHALL REPORTED RECEIPT OF NOTIFICATION OF SUIT OF MAE DAVIS AGAINST THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR PERSONAL INJURY ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SUSTAINED BY FALLING IN A HOLE ON NORTH TRYON STREET, SUIT FOR \$15,000.00, FILED BY H. C. WILLIAMS, ATTORNEY, AND THAT THE MATTER HAD BEEN REFERRED TO THE CITY ATTORNEYS FOR HANDLING.

JOINT CITY AND COUNTY HOSPITALIZATION.

THE CITY MANAGER REPORTED THAT A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON JOINT HOSPITALIZATION, CONSISTING OF MESSRS. SIDES, WEST-MORELAND AND MARSHALL FOR THE CITY, HUNTER, HARKEY AND BRADSHAW FOR THE COUNTY, WAS HELD ON DECEMBER 6TH., AND THE FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENT ARRIVED AT AND SUBMITTED FOR THE COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION:

- FOR ALL GRAVE DIGGING AND FREE LOTS, THE CITY TO PAY ALL OF THIS EXPENSE.
- FOR PAUPER CASKETS, THE COUNTY TO PAY ALL THIS EXPENSE.
- FOR HOSPITALIZATION, THE CITY TO PAY 65% OF THE COST OF ALL CASES ORIGINATING WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND THE COUNTY TO PAY 35%. THE COUNTY TO PAY IN FULL FOR ALL CASES ORIGINATING OUTSIDE THE CITY.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN SIDES, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALBEA, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THIS PROGRAM WAS APPROVED.

PURCHASE OF CHEMICALS FOR DISPOSAL PLANTS.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN ALBEA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DURHAM, THE COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF ONE CAR LOAD OF FERRIC CHLORIDE CRYSTALS FROM THE GRASSELLI CHEMICAL COMPANY OF NEW YORK, AT \$2.25 PER CWT, AND THE MAYOR AND CLERK WERE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THE CONTRACT COVERING SAME.

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APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR IMPROVEMENT TO JAIL BUILDING.

THE CITY MANAGER REPORTED A TELEGRAM JUST RECEIVED FROM DR. H. G. BAITY, STATING THAT DOCKET NO. 1119, WHICH IS THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE JAIL BUILDING, HAD BEEN APPROVED, AND STATED THAT PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS WOULD BE SENT TO DR. BAITY, AT CHAPEL HILL, IMMEDIATELY IN ORDER TO GET THE WORK STARTED AT AN EARLY DATE.

DR. WALTON TO ATTEND AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BACTERIOLOGISTS.

ON RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER THAT THE COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF THE EXPENSES OF DR. WALTON, OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, TO A CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BACTERIOLOGISTS IN NEW YORK CITY, DECEMBER 26TH. TO 28TH., WHERE DR. WALTON HAS BEEN INVITED TO PRESENT A PAPER; THIS EXPENSE ESTIMATED AT APPROXIMATELY \$80.00, WHICH WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM THE CONTINGENT FUND, COUNCILMAN NANCE, MOVED THAT THIS AMOUNT BE AUTHORIZED AND TAKEN FROM THE CONTINGENT FUND. MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN TIPTON AND CARRIED, WITH COUNCILMAN SIDES VOTING "NO" ON THE GROUNDS THAT NO FUNDS FOR SUCH PURPOSES WERE MADE AVAILABLE IN THE BUDGET AND THAT IT MIGHT BE SETTING A PRECEDENT.

PARKS LAND COMPANY ASSESSMENT.

MR. MARSHALL PRESENTED A REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEYS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PARKS LAND COMPANY'S CLAIM FOR RETURN OF STREET ASSESSMENTS ON ETON STREET, WHICH REPORT STATED THAT UNDER AN AGREEMENT MADE BY A FORMER BOARD, THERE WAS NOTHING THE CITY COULD DO EXCEPT REFUND THIS COMPANY THE AMOUNT PAID FOR PAVING OF THE INTERSECTION OF HUTCHINSON AVE. AND ETON STREET AND CANCEL THE REMAINING ASSESSMENTS.

THEREUPON, COUNCILMAN TIPTON MOVED THAT THE ASSESSMENTS ALREADY PAID BY THE PARKS LAND COMPANY ON THIS PAVING BE REFUNDED AND THAT THE UNPAID ASSESSMENTS BE CANCELLED MOTION SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ALBEA AND CARRIED.

ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT RECEIVED.

COPIES OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT PREPARED BY H. C. NORTHRUP & COMPANY WERE PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

SPECIAL OFFICERS PERMITS GRANTED.

MOTION OF COUNCILMAN TIPTON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BAXTER, THAT THE REQUEST OF SEARS-ROEBUCK & CO. FOR SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT FOR MR. J. H. SEAVER, ON THEIR PARKING LOT AND DURING THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS ON THEIR SALES FLOOR, WAS GRANTED, WITH COUNCILMEN ALBEA, HUDSON, HUNTLEY AND NANCE VOTING "NO".

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT WAS GRANTED MR. J. C. CROCKER, FOR DUTY AT THE HOTEL CHARLOTTE, ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN HOVIS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DURHAM AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

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LETTER OF THANKS FROM CHARITY LEAGUE FOR DONATION.

A LETTER OF THANKS FROM MRS. C. H. GOVER, OF THE CHARITY LEAGUE, FOR THE CITY'S YEARLY DONATION, WAS PRESENTED.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO CITY'S FINANCIAL RATING.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN SIDES, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DURHAM, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE GAVE THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE A RATING OF B A A IN THEIR LAST PUBLICATION "MOODY'S MANUAL OF INVESTMENTS", AND

WHEREAS, THIS IS THE SAME RATING AS GIVEN A NUMBER OF TOWNS IN NORTH CAROLINA THAT HAVE BEEN IN DEFAULT, AND

WHEREAS, SEVERAL TOWNS IN NORTH CAROLINA HAVE BEEN GIVEN A BETTER RATING THAN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, AND

WHEREAS, WE UNDERSTAND THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE PAPER HAS BEEN SOLD MORE ADVANTAGEOUSLY THAN ANY OTHER CITY ON NORTH CAROLINA;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY TREASURER BE INSTRUCTED TO WRITE THE "MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE" THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FEELS THAT THIS CITY HAS BEEN UNFAIRLY DISCRIMINATED AGAINST AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THIS INJUSTICE BE CORRECTED IN THE NEXT ISSUE, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND WILL BE PUBLISHED AROUND THE FIRST OF THE YEAR.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN ALBEA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DURHAM, THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS OF CEMETERY LOTS WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED:

TRANSFER OF LOT No. 58, SECTION "Q" FROM FRED N. HALL TO CHARLES STOWE MOODY.....\$1.00

TRANSFER OF E. $\frac{1}{2}$ LOT No. 119, SECTION "D ANNEX" FROM Z. A. HOVIS & SON TO MRS. THELMA M. BASINGER, WITH PERPETUAL CARE COVERING SAME.....\$2.00

REPORT FROM MR. GILMORE ON CHARITY LICENSE PRESENTED.

COUNCILMAN DURHAM, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO WORK WITH MR. GILMORE ON CHARITY LICENSES, PRESENTED A LETTER RECEIVED FROM MR. GILMORE REGARDING THESE CHARITY LICENSES, WHICH LETTER REPORTED 95 FORMAL REQUESTS FOR FREE LICENSE RECEIVED. OF THIS NUMBER 63 WERE RECOMMENDED. FORTY FAMILIES HAVE RECEIVED NO FURTHER RELIEF SINCE BEING GRANTED LICENSE. TWENTY-THREE CASES WERE KEPT FROM GOING ON RELIEF THROUGH THE GRANT, AND HE STATED THAT THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENT IS WORKING VERY SATISFACTORILY FROM THE VIEW POINT OF THE WELFARE AGENCIES.

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COLORED CEMETERY WORK.

ON INQUIRY OF COUNCILMAN BAXTER AS TO WHAT HAD BEEN DONE AT THE COLBRED CEMETERY, THE CITY MANAGER REPORTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT PROJECT FOR THIS WORK DID NOT GO THROUGH, BUT THAT THEY WERE DOING THE VERY BEST THEY COULD UNDER THE PRESENT BUDGET WITH THE ORDINARY MAINTENANCE FORCE AND THAT SOME WORK HAS ALREADY BEEN DONE OUT THERE.

ADJOURNMENT.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILMAN ALBEA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN HOVIS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE MEETING ADJOURNED.

Alice B. McCornell
CITY CLERK