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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, December 6, 1944, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Baker, Cope, Daughtry, Painter, Price, Slye and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilmen Bullard and Hovis.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded by Councilman Daughtry, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR CHEMICALS.

Councilman Baker moved that contracts for a year's supply of chemicals be awarded in accordance with the recommendations of the City Manager on Sections 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6, and as recommended by the Superintendent of the Water Department on Section 3, as follows:

- Section 1. 250 Tons Aluminum Sulphate
To American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp. at \$7,150.00
- Section 2. 220 Tons Chemical Hydrated Lime
To Standard Lime & Stone Company, at \$2,637.80
- Section 3. 40 Tons Ferric Chloride
To E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company
Grasselli Chemical Department, at \$2,000.00
- Section 4. 50,000 Pounds Liquid Chlorine
To American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp. at \$3,960.00
- Section 5. 50,000 Pounds Activated Carbon
To American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp. at \$2,338.87
- Section 6. 14,000 Pounds Anhydrous Ammonia
To American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp. at \$2,240.00

Motion seconded by Councilman Slye, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT APPROVED WITH H. V. JOHNSON & SON FOR COAL.

The City Manager reported the purchase of 63.9 Tons of Coal from H. V. Johnson & Son, at ~~\$495.33~~, and contract was approved to cover.

EMPLOYMENT OF R. T. EFURD, ATTORNEY, AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT PERSONAL TAX ACCOUNT OF R. C. PRICE.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Collector of Revenue, Councilman Baker moved that Mr. R. T. Efurd, Attorney, Atlanta, Ga. be employed to collect the past due personal tax account of R. C. Price, now residing in Atlanta, in the amount of \$209.00, and that Mr. Efurd be employed on a contingent basis of 40% net of the amount collected. Motion seconded by Councilman Price, and unanimously carried.

REPAIRS TO ANIMAL SHELTER AUTHORIZED FROM EMERGENCY FUND.

Councilman Ward moved that \$311.88 be appropriated from the Emergency Fund for necessary work and upkeep at the Animal Shelter. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

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AUTHORIZATION OF CANCELLATION OF UNDELIVERED BALANCE OF CONTRACT FOR UNIFORMS AND CONTRACT FOR CONCRETE MIX.

The City Manager requested the cancellation of the undelivered balance of contract for Firemen's Uniforms, amounting to \$377.10, which contract was awarded Martin's Department Store on March 1, 1944; and of the undelivered balance of contract for concrete mix, amounting to \$406.12, which contract was awarded Caldwell Construction Company on October 9, 1944. Councilman Atkins moved that the above mentioned balances on contracts be cancelled. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye, and unanimously carried.

AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT TO ABERNETHY LUMBER COMPANY FOR SAWING LUMBER FOR BRIDGE OVER SUGAW CREEK.

Councilman Daughtry moved that payment of \$154.59 to Abernethy Lumber Company be authorized for sawing lumber for use in the construction of the bridge over Sugaw Creek. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF COLEMAN W. ROBERTS AS SPECIAL LICENSE AGENT, FOR TWO WEEKS PERIOD.

Councilman Albea moved that the action of the City Manager be ratified in appointing Coleman W. Roberts as Special License Clerk for a two weeks period on December 1, 1944, to sell 1945 City Automobile License Stickers, with compensation at 7 cents per sticker sold. Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried.

COLEMAN W. ROBERTS APPOINTED SPECIAL LICENSE CLERK FROM DECEMBER 15, 1944 TO MARCH 1, 1945.

Councilman Ward moved that Mr. Coleman W. Roberts be appointed Special License Clerk for the period December 15, 1944 to March 1, 1945, to sell 1945 City Automobile License Stickers, with compensation at 7 cents per sticker sold. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH G. W. TODD REGARDING INVENTION OF AUTOMATIC CONTROLS FOR HYDRAULIC VALVES.

Councilman Baker moved that adoption of the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Price, and unanimously carried:

WHEREAS, G. W. Todd, while in the employ of the City Water Works Department, has invented certain automatic controls for hydraulic valves, and, whereas, embodiments of this invention have been installed in certain parts of the City's Water Works System and from time to time hereafter the City may wish to install other portions of the said invention, or the said invention in its entirety and, whereas, the said Todd has applied to the City for release of any interest it may have in his said invention, provided he will grant to the City full rights to the use of the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they are, authorized to enter into a contract with G. W. Todd confirming to the said Todd that he is the owner of the said invention and has the right to apply for letters patent thereon, provided he grants to the City a non-exclusive royalty free license to use the said invention in the City's Water Works System now and hereafter.

SALARIES FOR PERIOD DECEMBER 15th, 1944 TO JANUARY 1, 1945 AUTHORIZED ADVANCED TO CITY EMPLOYEES ON DECEMBER 15th, 1944.

Councilman Ward moved that salaries for the period from December 15, 1944 to January 1, 1945 be paid to City Employees in advance on December 15, 1944, as has been the custom. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter, and unanimously carried.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ON DECEMBER 25th AND 26th, 1944 GRANTED CITY EMPLOYEES.

Councilman Albea moved that December 23rd, 25th and 26th be granted as a Christmas Holiday to City Employees. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter.

Councilman Atkins made a substitute motion that December 25th and 26th be designated as the Christmas Holiday. Motion seconded by Councilman Baker.

The substitute motion was put to a vote and failed to carry.

The original motion was put to a vote and failed to carry.

Councilman Atkins then moved that the Christmas Holiday for City Employees be observed on December 25th and 26th. Motion seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimously carried.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS GRANTED.

Councilman Albea moved that a Special Officer Permit be issued to Melvin H. Ezell and Dunham B. Price, for use on the premises of Nebel Knitting Company at 101 West Worthington Avenue. Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry and unanimously carried.

Councilman Ward moved that Special Officer Permits be renewed to the following men while on duty for the Federal Reserve Bank of Charlotte. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye and unanimously carried:

Edgar L. Kale	Cleveland Townsend
Ernest H. Dellinger	Odus H. Turner
Fred F. Oates	Wade H. Vause
John F. Phifer	Charles O. White
Oliver W. Smith	Milus Pruett

Councilman Albea moved that Special Officer Permit be renewed to James C. Hasty for use on the premises of the Mint-Museum of Art. Motion seconded by Councilman Cope, and unanimously carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS APPROVED FOR TRANSFER.

Councilman Albea moved that the following cemetery deeds be approved for transfer. Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried:

Mrs. Bessie Eddins Brumfield, Lot No. 329, Section "Y", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$35.00.
Perpetual Care Deed on Lot No. 42, Section "C", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$144.00, owned by Mrs. Lester B. Paysinger.
Perpetual Care Deed on Lot No. 386, Section "Y", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$24.75, owned by Mrs. Mary E. Elliott.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded by Councilman Ward, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffmann
City Clerk