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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, January 15, 1945, with Mayor pro tem Childs presiding, and Councilmen Hinson, Johnston, McIntyre, Newson and Puette present.

Absent: Mayor Baxter and Councilman White.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Hinson, seconded by Councilman Newson, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

RESOLUTION CONCERNING CONGRESSMAN JOE W. ERWIN.

Upon motion of Councilman Johnston, seconded by Councilman McIntyre, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, our fellow citizen Joe W. Erwin was serving his first term in The Congress of the United States, and

WHEREAS, he represented his district, including the City of Charlotte, excellently, and

WHEREAS, we, the Mayor and the members of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, admired and respected him not only as our representative in The Congress, but also for his sterling worth and character.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Charlotte that they do hereby express to the widow, and the members of the family of Joe W. Erwin their deepest and sincerest regrets in his passing and do extend to her and to them their heartfelt sympathy.

TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY ON NORTH TRYON STREET CONFIRMED FOR SALE, AND ON HUTCHISON AVENUE AUTHORIZED ADVERTISED FOR SALE.

Councilman Newson advised that the Appraisal Committee recommended that the sale of tax foreclosed property at 2408-10 North Tryon Street, being lots 11 and 12 in Block X, to Mrs. Jessie T. Purnell, at \$1,601.25 be confirmed.

Also, that the following property be advertised for sale, and no bids be accepted for less than the amounts herein indicated:

- Lot 37 in Block 1 Graham Heights, being known as 2114-20 Hutchinson Ave. at \$1,500.00.
- Lots 23 and 24 in Block 1 Graham Heights, being known as 2220-22 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,000.00.
- Lots 20 and 21 in Block 1 Graham Heights, being known as 2224-26 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,000.00.
- Lots 22 and 22-A in Block 1 Graham Heights, being known as 2228-30 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,000.00.
- Lot 31 and Part of 32 in Block 2 of Graham Heights, being known as 2316-18 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$562.50.
- Lots 29 and 30 in Block 2 of Graham Heights, being known as 2320 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$750.00.
- Lots 24, 25 and 26 in Block 2 of Graham Heights, being known as 2328-32 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,225.00.
- Lot 1 in Block 1 of Graham Heights, being known as 2501-03 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,000.00.
- Lot 2 in Block 1, of Graham Heights, being known as 2505-07 Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,000.00.

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Lot 3 in Block 1 of Graham Heights West, being known as 2509-11
Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,000.00.

Lot 4 in Block 1 of Graham Heights West, being known as 2513-15
Hutchinson Avenue, at \$1,000.00

Motion was made by Councilman Newson that the recommendations
of the Appraisal Committee be approved. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston
and unanimously carried.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 6 TO LEASE NO. W-154-QM-1915 AUTHORIZED WITH U.S.
GOVERNMENT TO DELETE ELEVEN ACRES OF AIRPORT PROPERTY USED AS RADIO RANGE SITE.

Upon motion of Councilman McIntyre, seconded by Councilman Puette,
an agreement with the U. S. Government was unanimously authorized as requested
to delete from Lease No. W-154-QM-1915 an 11 acre tract of land at the Airport
used as a Radio Range Site and contracted for with the City by Supplemental
Agreement No. 1 to said Lease, under date of May 28, 1941.

NOTICE OF CLAIM OF MRS. MATTIE DRUM BY ATTORNEYS RALPH F. KIDD AND MORGAN
F. GILREATH REPORTED BY CITY MANAGER.

The City Manager advised that Notice of Claim of Mrs. Mattie
Drum had been filed by Attorneys Ralph F. Kidd and Morgan F. Gilreath, in the
amount of \$10,000.00 for alleged injuries sustained from falling on the side
walk on North Tryon Street, between 9th and 10th Streets, on December 2, 1945.

AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT TO NEPTUNE METER COMPANY RESCINDED.

Motion was made by Councilman McIntyre that authorization of
payment of \$171.60 to Neptune Meter Company on January 2, 1946, for a 3-inch
water meter, be rescinded as requested by the City Manager, as same had previous-
ly been authorized when contract was awarded on September 11, 1945. Motion
seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Puette that the following contracts
and purchases be authorized, and funds appropriated if necessary. Motion
seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

- a. Payment of over-run of \$13.27 to contract awarded General
Electric Supply Corp., on May 9, 1945, for Conductor Traffic
Signal Control Cable, at \$900.00.
- b. Purchase of repair parts for Elgin Sweeper, from North
Carolina Equip,ent Co., in the sum of \$100.80.
- c. Purchase of 50,000 Citation Tags for use by the Police Dept.
from the low bidder, Dixie Tag & Envelope Co. in the sum
of \$193.00.
- d. Contract with Chapman Valve Mfg. Co. for services and expenses
of Factory Engineer for work on Chapman Cone Valve at the
Catawba River Pumping Station, in the amount of \$223.75.
- e. Contract with the Standard Oil Company for 14,720 gallons
of gasoline, in the amount of \$2,263.14.
- f. Purchase of Fairlead Complete for Dragline, from E. F.
Craven Company, at \$167.29.

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g. Purchase of 64 Street Plates and Repair Parts for Tractor and Backfill Tamper from E. F. Craven Company, at \$102.66.

h. Payment of \$121.20 to Purity Cafe, for Prisoners' Board.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT GRANTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Hinson, seconded by Councilman Puette, a Special Officer Permit was unanimously granted to Joseph B. Rhodes, for use on the premises of Railway Express Agency, as requested by R. C. Fickling, General Agent.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF COUNCIL GIVEN FOR PRESENTATION OF ITEMS NOT ON DOCKET.

Councilman Puette moved that the City Manager be granted the unanimous consent of Council to present items not included on today's Docket. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried.

PERMITS TO OPERATE TAXICABS AUTHORIZED ISSUED TO EIGHTY-SEVEN APPLICANTS.

The City Manager advised that the Chief of Police recommended that permits to operate taxicabs for a period of one year be authorized issued to the following applicants:

Johnnie E. Bell, Jr. 1508 N. Caldwell St.	C. L. Freeman	Frank C. Mullis
Etis E. Baker 1014 South Tryon St.	G. W. Foster	W. L. McMichael
Frank Barcardi, Jr.	Fred W. Fowler	B. J. Morris, Jr.
John S. Berryhill 3100 Commonwealth Ave.	John A. Furr	D. P. McGowan
Boyd Andy Bean	C. W. Grubbs	R. D. McClain
Jack E. Bullard 322 West 10th St.	J. A. Garris	J. P. Moncus
David L. Beaty	A. D. Groome	K. B. Martin
C. W. Branson 1504 Seigle Ave.	L. J. Gaers	I. O. Montieth
D. B. Blackmon	K. C. Hoffman	G. B. Moore
W. F. Bloodworth	J. C. Haglen	B. E. Miller
W. R. Blakely	C. J. Hauss	G. J. Mullis
A. R. Burgess	H. C. Hillman	T. F. Mauldin
A. H. Currin	L. B. Holland	E. J. Nadreau
Robert L. Cook	W. J. Johnson	L. D. Orr
C. M. Chatham	H. F. Keeter	H. W. Posey
R. L. Forbis	W. F. Kerr	W. M. Pope
	O. L. Litaker	D. W. Pregatt
	K. P. Mullis	C. E. Perry
	T. W. Martin	I. A. Pigg

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D. L. Payne	M. C. Solomon	A. N. Williams
W. R. Riley	James W. Summers	Raymond Wilson
Jessie E. Robinson	Clyde E. Teague	A. F. Williams
Earl P. Robinson	J. L. Trammell	J. W. Watkins
D. C. Rutledge	W. C. Taylor	E. P. Whitley
C. L. Smith	W. A. Thomas	W. D. Whittington
W. D. Starnes	Leroy M. Raylor	T. A. Wynne
J. W. Stackley	T. M. Turner	John A. McManus
W. B. Stafford	Odell R. Watson	M. T. Pressley
J. R. Stewart	J. F. Williams	Thomas E. Holcomb
H. F. Sigmon	J. C. Whitmore	James I. Kay

Motion was made by Councilman Hinson that permits be issued as recommended by the Chief of Police. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried.

REQUEST OF P. D. MCSWAIN FOR PERMIT TO OPERATE TAXICAB REFUSED.

The City Manager advised that the Chief of Police recommended that the application of Mr. P. D. McSwain for permit to operate a taxicab be refused, as investigation disclosed that the physical condition of Mr. McSwain was such to make it unsafe for him to operate a cab. Motion was made by Councilman McIntyre that the recommendation of the Chief of Police be accepted and permit be refused. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER IN NORTH MYERS STREET AUTHORIZED.

The City Manager recommended the construction of an 8 inch sanitary sewer in North Myers Street, from Belmont Avenue to East 15th Street, a distance of 560 feet, to serve 3 houses erected, 1 house started, and 5 vacant lots, at an estimated cost of \$797.50, as requested by Mr. W. K. Fidler, 803 N. Davidson Street.

SALE OF CEMETERY LOT AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Puette, seconded by Councilman McIntyre Lot 296, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, was unanimously authorized sold to Mrs. J. E. Maddox, at \$35.00.

COUNCIL MEETINGS TO BE OPENED WITH PRAYER.

Motion was made by Councilman McIntyre that future meetings be opened with prayer; that the Ministerial Association be requested to supply a minister to offer the invocation at each meeting. Also, that in the absence of a minister, that the Mayor or a member of Council give the invocation. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Hinson, seconded by Councilman Johnston, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk