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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, March 26, 1946, with Mayor pro tem Childs presiding, and Councilmen Hinson, Johnston, McIntyre, Newson, Puette and White being present.

Absent: Mayor Baxter.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Dr. W. H. Williams, Pastor, Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Johnston, seconded by Councilman Hinson, the minutes of the meeting on March 19, 1946 were approved as read.

REQUEST FOR PERMIT TO OPERATE TAXICAB SERVICE FOR NEGRO PASSENGERS ONLY DEFERRED.

Mr. M. B. Ellington requested a permit to operate a taxicab service for negro passengers only.

Mayor pro tem Childs advised that a new taxicab ordinance was being prepared and Council action on the request would be postponed until passage of the ordinance. Mr. Ellington was advised by the City Manager to file his application for a permit at once with Lieutenant McCall of the Police Department.

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO EMPTY LAUNDRY WASTE WATER INTO SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM DENIED UNDER EXISTING ORDINANCE.

A Mr. Boyd requested permission to empty the waste water from a small laundry he contemplated operating into the city sewer system.

The City Manager advised the present ordinance permitted only domestic waste being emptied into the sewer system. He invited Mr. Boyd to come to his office and discuss the matter further.

APPOINTMENT OF FRANK N. LITTLEJOHN TO OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE.

Councilman White moved that Mr. Frank N. Littlejohn be appointed Chief of Police effective as of April 1, 1946, at a salary of \$5,000.00 per year, and that recommendation be made to the Civil Service Commission that Mr. Littlejohn be given a leave of absence from his civil service status during his tenure as Chief of Police. Motion seconded by Councilman Newson, and carried, with Councilman McIntyre recorded as not voting.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A BUILDING SET-BACK LINE WITHIN THE CONGESTED AREA.

An Ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A BUILDING SET-BACK LINE FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE WITHIN ITS CONGESTED AREA" was presented and read. Councilman Newson moved the adoption of the ordinance as read. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and carried, with the following vote recorded:

- AYE: Councilmen Childs, Johnston, McIntyre, Newson, Puette and White.
- NAY: Councilman Hinson.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 9, Page 340.

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SALES OF TAX FORCELOSED PROPERTY CONFIRMED.

Councilman Newson reported the sale of the following tax fore-closed property at public auction on March 4, 1946, and that it has remained open for 10 days without an upset bid:

425-31 Belmont Avenue, high bid of Mabel B. Devereux	\$ 585.00
1100-02 North Caldwell St., high bid of A. B. Schnedl	600.00
1525-27 Merriman Avenue, high bid of Mrs. W. E. Carriker	625.00
1501-03 Mimosa Avenue, high bid of W. C. McNeill	825.00
2129 Roslyn Avenue, high bid of M. B. Potts	850.00
2001-23 Statesville Avenue, high bid of J. W. Case	6,500.00
600-02 Tremont Avenue, high bid of Arthur H. Williamson	630.00
1036-38, 1029-39 Woodlawn Road, high bid of B. F. Morgan	1,225.00

Motion was made by Councilman Newson that the sales be confirmed to the high bidders. Motion seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH DAVID B. CROSLAND FOR WATER MAIN IN BETHEL ROAD.

Councilman Hinson moved that contract be authorized between Mr. David B. Crosland and the City for the construction of a 6-inch water main in Bethel Road, for a distance of 560 feet, at an estimated cost of \$894.00, to serve twenty houses, with Mr. Crosland agreeing to pay a minimum of 10 percent per annum on said investment. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF SIXTY PARKING METERS FROM MICHEAL ART BRONZE COMPANY UNDER PRESENT CONTRACT AUTHORIZED.

Councilman White moved that the purchase of 60 Mico Parking Meters be authorized from The Micheal Art Bronze Company, under the exist-ing contract with said company, dated January 2nd, 1946; price and basis of purchase to be the same as in the original contract. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH J. F. ROBBINS, SALES REPRESENTATIVE OF BRANDT PRODUCTS, FOR RENTAL OF COIN SORTER AND COUNTER.

Councilman Puette moved a contract be authorized with J. F. Robbins, Sales Representative of Brandt Products, Knoxville, Tennessee, for the rental of a Brandt Model S.G. Coin Sorter and Counter, at \$200.00 per year, with said amount applying on the sales price of \$647.50 should the City desire to purchase the machine. Motion seconded by Councilman McIntyre, and unanimously carried.

APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED TO POLICE OFFICER E. E. PRESSLEY FOR EXPENSES IN SAFETY PROGRAM.

Upon the recommendation of the City Manager, motion was made by Councilman White that \$100.00 be paid Police Officer E. E. Pressley for expenses in the Safety Program, and said amount be appropriated from the Emergency Fund. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES AUTHORIZED.

Councilman McIntyre moved that the following contracts and purchases be authorized, and funds appropriated if necessary. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried:

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- (a) Contract with North Carolina State Board of Health for 55 vials of penicillin, in the amount of \$1,124.04.
- (b) Contract with Badger Meter Company for 50 - 5/8 inch water meters, less trade in allowance for old meters, at a net delivered price of \$512.50.
- (c) Purchase of miscellaneous parts for heavy equipment from Southern Bearings and Parts Company, in the amount of \$143.68.
- (d) Payment of \$108.60 to Purity Cafe for prisoners meals for period March 1st through March 15th, 1946.
- (e) Contract with Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, for 19,341 gallons of gasoline purchased during March 1946, in the amount of \$2,914.04.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING SETTLEMENT WITH MISSES FANNIE B. MOORE AND ALICE B. MOORE, IN TAX SUIT NO. 445:

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Puette, the City Attorney was given the unanimous consent of Council to present the following resolution, which was not included on Council Docket:

RESOLUTION APPROVING SETTLEMENT
OF CITY OF CHARLOTTE v. MISSES FANNIE
B. MOORE AND ALICE B. MOORE - TAX SUIT No. 445.

WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte instituted tax suit No. 445 entitled "City of Charlotte v. Misses Fannie B. Moore and Alice B. Moore and Mecklenburg County" in 1942, involving Assessments No. 25658 and No. 25662, covering 100 feet of street paving on North Tryon Street, to which the defendants filed answer in said suit which was pending and at issue in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney of the City of Charlotte has recommended, due to the doubtful validity of said street paving assessments, that the same be settled for one-fourth of said street paving assessments, plus interest and costs, or for \$290.09.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte that the street paving assessments involved in said suit, as provided by Section 32(39) of the City Charter of the City of Charlotte, be settled upon the payment of \$290.09, on account of said street paving assessments, together with the costs of this action.

Councilman White moved the adoption of the resolution as read. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

COUNCIL DOCKET FOR MEETING ON APRIL 2nd TO INCLUDE ITEM FOR APPOINTMENT OF A BUDGET COMMITTEE.

Councilman Newson requested that the Council Docket for the meeting on April 2nd an item calling for the Appointment of a Budget Committee. The Council concurred in the request.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT RENEWED TO WILEY A. ADERHOLDT, SR.

Councilman Hinson moved that the Special Officer Permit held by Wiley A. Aderholdt, Sr., be renewed for one year, at the following locations:

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Charlotte Coca-Cola Bottling Company; Carolina Cafe; Fruehauf Trailer Company; Carolina Transfer & Storage Company; Carolina Service Company; Southern Radio Corporation; McClain Distributing Company and Brown Equipment Company.

Motion seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried.

DEEDS FOR CEMETERY LOTS AUTHORIZED EXECUTED.

Councilman McIntyre moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute deeds for the sale of the following cemetery lots, and perpetual care of said lots. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried:

- To - William Beach Hodge and wife Jessie Hurlbut Hodge, Lot 4, Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, \$150.00.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$100.00.
- To - Dr. W. M. Strong and wife, Lina M. Strong, Lot 50, Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, \$180.00.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$100.00
- To - John E. Chapman and wife, Latta Willis Chapman, Lot 48, Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, \$92.70.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$51.50.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk