

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, September 26, 1951, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Doddington, Dellinger, Jordan and Van Every present.

Absent: Councilman Baxter.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Van Every, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting were approved with the addition of the words "at this time" after the words "that Dr. Jordan stated he would take the request under advisement but due to the lack of funds for this district" in line 8 of paragraph 2, Page 113.

OPERATION OF A NEGRO TAXICAB COMPANY SPONSORED BY DR. J. S. N. TROSS.

Dr. J. S. N. Tross spoke in behalf of the operation of a negro taxicab company proposed by a group of negro citizens, and urged that when the application for a permit is filed that the Council give it a trial, on an experimental basis. He stated his request is made from the standpoint of free enterprise and the disruption of a monopoly on the taxicab business. He further stated that in his opinion the transportation problem for the negro citizens will be aided if there are negro cab drivers. Mr. Charles Bell, Attorney, advised that the application for a Certificate of Necessity for the operation of the cab company will be filed at an early date.

Mayor Shaw advised that the application will receive the serious consideration of the Council when filed.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS GIVEN PERMISSION TO PARK MOBILE UNIT ON WEST TRADE STREET.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the request of Mr. E. G. Kiker was granted permitting the Veterans of Foreign Wars to place a mobile unit displaying a hydrogen bomb exhibit, on West Trade Street in front of Mellon's on September 30th and October 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

MAYOR PRO TEM PRESIDES FOR REMAINDER OF MEETING.

Mayor Shaw left the meeting at this time, and Mayor pro tem Van Every presided for the remainder of the meeting.

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON OCTOBER 17TH ON PROPOSED CHANGE IN BUILDING ZONE MAP ON LOT 16, BLOCK 3 OF SHUMAN AVENUE.

An ordinance entitled, "Ordinance (No. 133) Amending the Zoning Map" was introduced and read, following which a Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing on October 17th relative to the proposed change in the Building Zone Map from R-2 to B-1 on Lot 16 in Block 3 of Shuman Avenue, was presented and read. Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 429.

NAME OF SPIERS LANE CHANGED TO FARMINGTON LANE.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing the change of the name of Spiers Lane to Farmington Lane, as requested by residents of said Spiers Lane.

REMOVAL OF THREE TREES AT 2528 SHERWOOD AVENUE.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, Mrs. M. F. McNeil was granted permission to remove three trees from the planting strip in front of her residence at 2528 Sherwood Avenue.

REVISED PLATS OF ROYSTON ROAD SECTION OF MARSH ESTATES APPROVED.

Councilman Albea moved approval of the Revised Plats of Royston Road Section of Marsh Estates, as recommended by the Planning Board at the request of Marsh Land Company. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED CRANE COMPANY FOR REPAIR PARTS FOR TAPPING MACHINE.

Councilman Albea moved that contract be awarded Crane Company, for 102 repair parts for the Mueller Tapping Machine, at a total price of \$1,602.75 subject to 2% cash discount. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the construction of the following driveway entrances was authorized:

- (a) One 16 ft. entrance at 2544 Portland Avenue.
- (b) One 12 ft. entrance at 1126 Belgrave Place.
- (c) One 10 ft. entrance on Jensen Street for 3736 Meyer Boulevard.
- (d) One 12½ ft. entrance at 2740 Maryland Avenue.
- (e) One 12½ ft. entrance at 2742 Maryland Avenue.
- (f) Two 30 ft. entrances on Shuman Ave. and One 30 ft. entrance on Wilmont Road, for the Esso Oil Co.
- (g) Two 30 ft. entrances on Central Avenue. and One 30 ft. entrance on Iris Drive, for the Esso Oil Company.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS AUTHORIZED ISSUED.

Motion was made by Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the issuance of Special Officer Permits as follows:

- (a) Permit to Paul A. Howell, 1915 Beverly Drive for use on the premises of Southern Railway Company.
- (b) Permit to Jessie B. Freeman, 1305 Kennon St. for use on the premises of Whitin Machine Works.

CEMETERY LOTS TRANSFERRED.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deeds for the sale of the following cemetery lots:

- (a) Deed to T. R. Banks, for west half of Lot 133, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$52.00.
- (b) Deed to Paul D. Phillips and wife, for west half of Lot 87, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$78.00.
- (c) Deed to M. B. Mims, for south half of Lot 17, Section A-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$72.98.

- (d) Duplicate Deed to John M. Fletcher, for south half of Lot 142 and north half of Lot 143, Section Q, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00 for new deed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned until Monday, October 1st, at the Mecklenburg County Court House at 10 o'clock a.m., to meet with the Mecklenburg County Commissioners regarding a joint government function.

Lee R. J. Layman
City Clerk