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A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, December 17, 1947, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, Lambeth, McKee and White present.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by the Reverend Mr. Jonas Barclay, Pastor, South Park Presbyterian Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting, on December 10th, were approved as submitted.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO LEASING OF THE PALMER FIRE SCHOOL BUILDING.

A resolution entitled, RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO LEASING OF THE PALMER FIRE SCHOOL BUILDING, was presented and read. Motion for adoption was made by Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 74.

REMOVAL OF TREE AT 1600 ELIZABETH AVENUE.

Upon motion of Councilman McKee, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, permission was granted Biberstein & Bowles, Architects, to remove a tree from the planting strip at 1600 Elizabeth Avenue.

PAYMENT OF SERVICE FEE TO UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF MAYORS.

Councilman Albea moved that approval be given for the payment of \$500.00 Service Fee to the United States Conference of Mayors for the calendar year 1948. Motion seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried.

PORTION OF McDONALD AVENUE TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried, an additional 250 feet of McDonald Avenue, between Magnolia Avenue and Ideal Way, was authorized taken over for maintenance.

CONTRACT WITH COCHRAN, MCCLENEGHAN & LASSITER, ATTORNEYS, FOR SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH HEARING BEFORE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD.

Motion was made by Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried, authorizing a contract with Cochran, McCleneghan & Lassiter, Attorneys, in the amount of \$3,516.40 for services of Mr. Robert Lassiter and Mr. Frank Sims in connection with preparing and filing briefs and attending a hearing Before the Civil Aeronautics Board with regard to the promotion of aviation in Charlotte.

EMERGENCY FUND TRANSFER FOR PAYMENT OF AUDITORIUM BOND ELECTION EXPENSES.

Councilman Jordan moved that \$4,465.65 be transferred from the Emergency Fund to "Other Assets in the General Fund" for payment of expenses in connection with the Auditorium Bond Election. Motion seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried.

## TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO PROVIDE FOR SALARY INCREASES APPROVED IN CURRENT BUDGET.

Motion was made by Councilman DeLaney that \$59,073.74 be transferred from the "Paving & Opening of Streets Account (Dode 1513-A)" to the various salary accounts in several funds to provide for increases approved in the current budget. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

## CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman McKee, contracts for the following purchases and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary, were unanimously approved:

- (a) Contract with American Cynamid Company, for 270 Tons Aluminum Sulphate, in the amount of \$7,992.00, for the Water Department.
- (b) Contract with Standard Lime & Stone Company, for 210 Tons Chemical Hydrated Lime, at a delivered price, subject to 25¢ per ton cash discount, in the amount of \$3,244.29, for the Water Department.
- (c) Contract with E. I. DuPont DeNemours & Co. Inc., for 60 Tons of Ferric Chloride, in the amount of \$4,584.00, for the Water Department.
- (d) Contract with Solvay Sales Division, for 60 Tons Liquid Chlorine, f.o.b. Hopewell, Va., in the amount of \$3,060.00, for the Water Department.
- (e) Contract with Peebles Chemical Company, for 9,000 Pounds Anhydrous Ammonia, less 1% for cash in 10 days, in the amount of \$1,431.00, for the Water Department.
- (f) Contract with Creech Motor Cycle Company, Inc., for Four Solo Motorcycles and Two Servi-Cars, at a net delivered price of \$3,454.90, for the Police Department.
- (g) Contract with General Truck Company, for One 1948 GMC Pickup Truck at \$1,319.85, for the Motor Transport Department, and One 1948 GMC Panel Truck at \$1,452.05, for the Sanitary Division, at a total price of \$2,771.90.
- (h) Contract with R. P. Washam, Gastonia, N.C., for One Audiometer complete, at a net delivered price of \$306.00, for the Health Department.
- (i) Contract with Pomona Terra Cotta Company, for 1,002 feet of 8 inch pipe, at a net delivered price of \$385.77, for the Engineering Department.

## SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried, the following Special Officer Permits were approved for issuance:

James E. Easterling, 507 Bradford Drive, for use on the premises of Rulane Gas & Tank Company, 2317 Thrift Road.

E. F. Zieverink, 2326 Overhill Road, E. T. Watson, Old Gastonia Road, and Price A. Kelly, RFD #9, for use on the premises of American Trust Company.

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And the renewal of Special Officer Permits to the following:

Ernest L. Kale, Oliver W. Smith, Wade H. Vause, Cleveland Townsend, Charles O. White, John E. Pettit, Odus H. Turner, Milus Pruett, Edgar H. Dellinger, James E. Porter, A. B. Braswell, Jr., and Vance E. Huggins, on the premises of the Federal Reserve Bank.

HOLIDAY GRANTED ON JANUARY 1ST TO CITY EMPLOYEES.

Councilman Albea moved that City Employees be granted a holiday on Thursday, January 1st, in observance of New Year's Day. Motion seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

The City Manager reported that leases had been concluded for the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport:

BUILDING NO.	LESSEE	MONTHLY RENTAL	DATE AND TERM OF LEASE	
250	Pure Oil Company, Inc.	\$30.00	12-1-47	1 year
252	Lizabeth Ann Bakery	30.00	12-1-47	5 years
75	Eastern Airlines, Inc.	30.00	11-1-47	5 years

ITEMS PRESENTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF COUNCIL.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Childs, the following items, not included in the Docket, were presented with the unanimous consent of Council.

LEASE WITH U. S. GOVERNMENT FOR USE OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT BY THE NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD AIR FORCES.

Councilman Lambeth moved that lease between the United States Government and the City of Charlotte be authorized for the use of twenty-one buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport, together with the joint usage of runways, taxiways and airport facilities by the North Carolina National Guard Air Forces, at a rental of \$1.00 per annum for the period beginning July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1957. Motion seconded by Councilman DeLaney, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR USE OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AT DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT BY THE NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD AIR FORCES.

Councilman Jordan moved that contract be entered into between the State of North Carolina and the City of Charlotte for the use of twenty-one buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport, together with the joint usage of runways, taxiways and airport facilities by the North Carolina National Guard Air Forces, at a rental of \$700.00 per month for the period beginning July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948. Motion seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried.

ALLOCATION FROM EMERGENCY FUND FOR CARE OF INDIGENTS AT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Councilman Childs moved that \$7,000.00 be allocated from the Emergency Fund for the payment for indigent patients at Memorial Hospital for the period beginning January 1, 1948 and ending June 30, 1948. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

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APPRECIATION EXPRESSED TO OIL DISTRIBUTORS AND DEALERS FOR ASSISTANCE  
IN FUEL OIL EMERGENCY.

Mayor Baxter expressed the sincere appreciation of himself and the City Council for the cooperative spirit of the Oil Distributors and Dealers in assisting the needy cases in the present fuel oil shortage emergency.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned until 4 o'clock p.m., on Wednesday, December 31st.

Lillian R. Hoffman  
City Clerk