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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, January 12, 1944, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Baker, Bullard, Cope, Daughtry, Hovis, Painter, Price, Slye and Ward being present.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Cope, seconded by Councilman Albea, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

HOUSING AUTHORITY PRESENT CHECK TO CITY IN LIEU OF TAXES.

Mr. Frank Dowd, Vice-Chairman of Charlotte Housing Authority, presented the City of Charlotte a check in the amount of \$2,366.25, in lieu of city taxes. Councilman Ward made a motion that \$1,994.61 of this amount be used to pay the balance due American Trust Company on notes incurred for Airport purposes and endorsed by citizens of Charlotte, and the remainder of the check, being \$371.64, be held back and added to some other fund for use as designated by the Council. Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry and carried.

NAME OF WESTBROOK DRIVE CHANGED BACK TO WEST THIRD STREET.

Mr. L. A. Brown presented a petition requesting that the name of Westbrook Drive, between Cedar Street and Victoria Avenue, be changed back to West Third Street. Councilman Ward moved that the change be made, motion seconded by Councilman Hovis and carried.

SALARY INCREASES AUTHORIZED TO EMPLOYEES OF THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS AND JUVENILE COURTS.

The City Manager advised that Judge F. M. Redd had requested salary increases of \$10.00 per month for each of the five employees of the Domestic Relations and Juvenile Courts, to be effective January 1, 1944, of which total amount the City's share would be \$25.00 per month. Councilman Albea moved that the increases be authorized. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter and carried.

ACTION RESCINDED AWARDED CONTRACT TO STANDARD LIME AND STONE COMPANY ON SEPTEMBER 22, 1943 FOR TWO CARS OF CHEMICAL HYDRATED LIME.

The City Manager requested that action on September 22, 1943 awarding contract to Standard Lime and Stone Company for two cars of Chemical Hydrated Lime, at a total delivered price of \$821.80 be rescinded, as the requirement of lime was over estimated and the cars were not shipped. Councilman Slye moved that the motion be rescinded. Motion seconded by Councilman Atkins and carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED BELK BROS. COMPANY FOR UNIFORMS FOR SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, contract was awarded Belk Bros. Company, Charlotte, for Uniforms for the Sanitary Department, at a net delivered price of \$967.25, as follows:

180 Hickory Striped Overalls @ \$2.45	- \$441.00
25 Hickory Striped Overall Jackets @ \$2.45	- 61.25
240 Blue Chambray Shirts @ \$1.50	- 360.00
60 Cap Frames with Two Covers @ \$1.75	- 105.00

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APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED FROM EMERGENCY FUND FOR ADDITIONAL REPAIRS TO THE
DCG POUND.

The City Manager requested an appropriation of \$181.93 from the Emergency Fund to supplement the \$250.00 recently appropriated for improvements to the Dog Pound. Councilman Price moved that the appropriation be authorized. Motion seconded by Councilman Ward and carried.

CONTRACT AND PAYMENT FOR COAL AUTHORIZED.

The City Manager reported that 119.1375 tons of coal were purchased from H. V. Johnson & Son from November 30th to December 7, 1943, amounting to \$944.84 and requested that contract and payment for same be authorized. Upon motion of Councilman Slye, seconded by Councilman Albea, and carried, contract and payment were authorized.

APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO SUPPLEMENT SALARIES OF
HEALTH DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES.

The City Manager advised that under the Merit System a decrease in salary was realized by eight employees of the Health Department, same being retroactive to October 1, 1943. He requested Council to appropriate \$112.00 from the Emergency Fund to repay the personnel so effected for the decrease in salary during the period October 1, 1943 to January 15, 1944. Councilman Ward moved that the appropriation be made as requested. Motion seconded by Councilman Hovis and carried.

The Manager then requested authority to make similar payments from the Emergency Fund to the effected personnel from January 15, 1944 to June 30, 1944. Councilman Albea moved that authority be given, until such time as instructed otherwise by Council. Motion seconded by Councilman Atkins and carried.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS GRANTED.

Councilman Albea moved that a Special Officer Permit be granted Marshall McCoy for use on the premises of Queens College, at 1900 Selwyn Ave., and 1830 Queens Road; also, that renewal permits be granted the following named men at the Charlotte Quartermaster Depot:

William N. Knight	William Hatly
Raymond B. Kisiah	Horace D. House
John H. Bingham	Richard A. Houser
Claude Thomas Earnhardt	Hubert Linker
Fred I. Gurley	Marcus C. Riley
Samuel C. Gaillard	James F. Sharpe
	James J. Mims.

Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry and carried.

RESOLUTION IN REGARD TO EXAMINATION OF TITLES TO FIVE PARCELS OF REAL
ESTATE BEING PURCHASED AS ADDITION TO ELMWOOD CEMETERY.

Councilman Baker presented the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City has decided to exercise its option for the purchase of five parcels of real estate situated on North Cedar Street, adjacent to Elmwood Cemetery, for incorporation into Elmwood Cemetery, same to be purchased from R. B. Williams and wife; Marian E. and Catherine V. Gregg; Robert B. Street and wife; J. L. Stancill and wife, and Dorothy K. Schoenith and husband; and

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WHEREAS, it is deemed desirable to have an examination of the titles to said property made by competent attorney prior to closing the purchase of said property,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that H. C. Dockery be, and he hereby is, retained by the City for the purpose of examining the titles to said property, in consideration of which the City will pay to him the sum of \$112.50.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

H. B. Campbell
City Attorney

Motion seconded by Councilman Ward and adopted.

APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO SUPPLEMENT BUDGETED FUNDS FOR TRAVELING EXPENSES OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN TO U. S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS.

Mayor Baxter advised that the U. S. Conference of Mayors would have a meeting in Chicago beginning January 19, 1944 and that he planned to attend and hoped several Councilmen would also arrange to go. Councilman Ward moved that expenses of those attending the Conference be paid by the City and that any overage of the funds now budgeted for such purpose be paid from the Emergency Fund. Motion seconded by Councilman Bullard and carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS APPROVED FOR TRANSFER.

Upon motion of Councilman Hovis, duly seconded by Councilman Painter, the following cemetery lots were approved for transfer:

To Vicie Rann, East Half of Lot No 7, in Section "F", West Pinewood Cemetery, at \$40.50.
To Mrs. George M. Palmer, Lot No 33, in Section "BB", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$49.00.
L. W. Overcash and wife, Mary F. Overcash, North Half of Lot 90, in Section "X", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$70.00.
Perpetual Care on above lot of L. W. Overcash and wife, at \$60.00.
Duplicate Deed to Heirs of Mrs. J. F. Miller, for Lot No 8-Fraction, in Section "F", Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION OF INDUSTRIAL HOME.

Councilman Alba reported that he and Councilman Painter had visited Mecklenburg County Industrial Home, as instructed, in company with the Committee from the Board of County Commissioners and the Chairman of the Commissioners, and found the Home to be in a satisfactory condition, and that a report was made by the entire Committee to the Presiding Judge of Mecklenburg County Superior Court, as instructed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Alba, seconded by Councilman Painter, the meeting adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman
City Clerk