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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, January 5, 1949, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, McKee and White present.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Ernest S. DeLaney.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting, on December 22nd, were approved as submitted.

REQUEST FOR REISSUANCE OF TAXICAB OPERATOR'S PERMIT DENIED ELMORE BRIGMAN.

The reissuance of a Taxicab Operator's Permit was denied Mr. Elmore Brigman, whose request was made at the meeting on December 22nd and action deferred for investigation. Lieut. McCall, Taxicab Inspector, reviewed Mr. Brigman's record and cited the causes for the revocation of his permit on March 5, 1947, which was sustained by Council on March 11, 1947.

PROTEST AGAINST USE OF PROPERTY AT EAST 5th AND NORTH BREVARD STREETS FOR INCREASE IN RADIUS OF INTERSECTION.

Mr. Walter McPhail, owner of property at the southwest corner of East 5th Street and North Brevard Street, protested the use of the property by the City in cutting back the street in order to increase the turning radius at the intersection. He stated the property was under lease to McKinnon Tire Company and the street widening would reduce the parking space on the property and could result in the cancellation of said lease.

Mayor Baxter advised Mr. McPhail that traffic had increased at this point in part due to 5th Street having been designated as a one-way street, and traffic surveys by both the Traffic Engineering Dept. and the City Engineering Dept. showed that an increase in the turning radius was necessary, and the condemnation of the property for this purpose was brought about by the refusal of Mr. McPhail to accept the City's offer for the strip of land. The Council concurred in the recommendations of the departments based on their surveys, that the street radius should be increased.

ORDINANCE (NO.60) REASSESSING PAVING ASSESSMENTS ON WEST WORTHINGTON AVENUE.

An ordinance entitled, "Re-assessment Ordinance - West Worthington Avenue" was presented and read, and upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman McKee, was unanimously adopted. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 11, at Page 27.

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO NATURAL GAS COMMITTEE, FROM EMERGENCY FUND.

Councilman McKee moved that \$2,500.00 be allocated to the Natural Gas Committee, from the Emergency Fund. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs and unanimously carried.

SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM OF PAUL KIRKSEY FOR DAMAGES TO CAR.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the payment of \$34.50 was authorized to Paul Kirksey 617 Dorothy Drive, in settlement of claim for damages to his car by a city garbage truck on August 26, 1948.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of sanitary sewers as follows:

- (a) In West 12th Street, from Fairview School near the Irwin Creek outfall to near Burton Street, at an estimated cost of \$997.92, to serve three houses - cost to be borne by City.
- (b) In Grimes Street, from Morris Avenue north toward Virginia Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$688.16, to serve four houses under construction and four vacant lots - cost to be paid by City.
- (c) Contract with H. E. Huguley, 3529 Oakwood Ave., for main construction in Academy and Spencer Streets, at an estimated cost of \$1,935.78, to serve three houses and fifteen vacant lots, and the refund of applicant's deposit of \$1,335.78 if and when seven additional houses are attached to said sewer.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.

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

- (a) Contract with American Cyanamid Company for 270 Tons Aluminum Sulphate, on a unit price basis of \$36.20 per ton, representing a net delivered price of \$9,774.00.
- (b) Contract with The Standard Lime & Stone Company, for 210 Tons Hydrated Lime, on a unit price basis of \$16.74, subject to 25¢ per ton discount for cash payment on 10th of month following shipment, representing a net delivered price of \$3,515.40.
- (c) Contract with Solvay Sales Company, for 60 Tons Liquid Chlorine on a unit price basis of \$2.70 per cwt, f.o.b. Hopewell, Va., representing a total amount of \$3,240.00.
- (d) Contract with E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Co., for 40 Tons Ferric Chloride, on a unit price basis of \$5.15 per cwt. representing a net delivered price of \$4,112.00.
- (e) Contract with Southern States Chemical Company, for 35 Tons Activated Carbon, on a unit price basis of \$120.00 per ton, representing a net delivered price of \$4,200.00.
- (f) Contract with Peebles Chemical Company, for 5 Tons Anhydrous Ammonia, on a unit price basis of \$318.00 per ton, subject to 1% discount, representing a net delivered price of \$1,590.00.
- (g) Contract with H. D. Archer, Charlotte, for One Rebuilt Todd Protectograph Machine, at a trade-in allowance price of \$265.00.
- (h) Contract with E. F. Craven Company, for Repair Parts for Bulldozer, at a total price of \$934.96, f.o.b. Greensboro.
- (i) Supplemental Contract with Blythe & Isenhour, for labor, materials, equipment etc., required in connection with extra work on Fire Station #2, not included in the original contract, in a total amount of \$2,670.80.

- (j) Supplemental Contract with J. V. Andrews Plumbing & Heating Company, for labor, materials, equipment, etc. required for the installation of a fuel oil tank and water connection in the Engine Room at Fire Stations #2 and #8, and not included in the original contracts - at a total cost of \$791.59.
- (k) Contract with Pomona Terra Cotta Company, for 1200 feet of 8-inch pipe, representing a total price of \$516.00.
- (l) Contract with W. A. Owens, Salisbury, for retubing a boiler in the heating system of the City Hall, at a total price of \$575.00.
- (m) Contract with Grinnell Company, for 10,000 pounds of Mineral Lead, for the Water Department, at a delivered price of \$800.00, subject to 2% cash discount for 10th of month payment.
- (n) Contract with the Dowd Press, Inc., for 300,000 Water Bills printed, at a net delivered price of \$855.00.
- (o) Contract with Patterson Coal & Oil Company, for One Carload (approximately 60 tons) of Pocahontas egg coal, at a unit price of \$13.50, representing a total of \$810.00, subject to 1% cash discount for 10th of month payment.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT GRANTED JAMES E. EASTERLING.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing the issuance of a Special Officer Permit to James E. Easterling on the premises of Rulane Tank & Gas Company, off Berryhill Road and at 2317 Thrift Road.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT TO THE MEMORY OF MR. W. E. VEST.

Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the following resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously adopted:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, in the Divine Wisdom of the Almighty God, it has pleased Him to call from this temporal life, William Edward Vest, at the age of eighty-two years, and

WHEREAS, the passing of Mr. Vest removes from the City of Charlotte personnel an outstanding, loyal employee, who for thirty-six years served the public as Superintendent of the Water Department and for the past two years as it's Consultant, and

WHEREAS, his kindly, genial nature, his keen sense of humor and his strict observance to his duties, endeared him to his fellowman, and

WHEREAS, it is with a deep appreciation and a feeling of admiration and respect that we honor his memory and mourn his passing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the members of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family in their great sorrow, and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that a copy of this Resolution be sent to his family, and that it be spread upon the Minutes of this meeting.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF CITY ATTORNEY AND ASSISTANT COLLECTOR OF REVENUE FILED.

The City Manager reported that Mr. John D. Shaw, City Attorney, and Mr. J. H. McLain, Assistant Collector of Revenue, had today filed their Annual Reports for 1948, as provided by ordinance adopted January 10, 1945.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman McKee, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lucian R. Sappman
City Clerk