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SPCAY

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, July 30, 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 E. H. Blackard, Presiding Elder of Charlotte District of the Methodist Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Lambeth, seconded by Councilman DeLaney, the minutes of the Council Meeting on July 23, 1947 were approved as submitted.

REQUEST OF MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR TO CLARIFY HOSPITAL'S RESPONSIBILITY RELATIVE TO CLINICS FOR INDIGENT SICK REFERRED TO COMMITTEE.

Mr. R. Z. Thomas, Administrator of Charlotte Memorial Hospital requested the clarification of the hospital's responsibility to maintain and operate clinics for the care of the indigent sick, under the provisions of the Deed of Conveyance between the City and the Hospital.

He further asked that the City formally advise the hospital as to its desires with regard to the care of indigent patients, and that the City and County state if they will sponsor the operation of the clinics.

Mr. Thomas was requested to continue providing care to indigent patients on the present basis so long as funds allocated by the City and County are sufficient, which Mr. Thomas stated would be for a 6-months period.

Mayor Baxter requested the Charity Hospitalization Committee to confer with Mr. Thomas with regard to the clinics and care of indigents, and report the results of the conference to Council.

CITY ATTORNEY DIRECTED TO DRAFT AMENDMENT TO ARMORY ORDINANCE TO PERMIT USE FOR NATIONAL GUARD PURPOSES.

Councilman White moved that the City Attorney be directed to draft an amendment to the ordinance, adopted on March 16, 1942, pertaining to the use of the Armory-Auditorium, to permit the use of same for National Guard purposes. Motion seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried.

ADOPTION OF APPROPRIATION BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1947-1948.

An ordinance entitled, AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF THE APPROPRIATION BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1947-1948, was presented and read. Councilman Childs moved the adoption of the ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, with the votes cast as follows:

AYE: Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, Lambeth, McKee and White.

NAY: None.

Upon the foregoing recorded vote the ordinance was duly adopted and declared to be the Budget Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year 1947-1948. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 9, beginning at Page 455.

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ADOPTION OF TAX RATE ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1947-1948.

An ordinance entitled, AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1947-1948 AND LEVYING A TAX UPON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR, was presented and read. Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilman DeLaney, and un-animously carried, with the votes cast as follows:

AYE: Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, Lambeth, McKee and White.

NAY: None.

Upon the foregoing recorded vote, the ordinance was duly adopted and declared to be an ordinance fixing the tax rate for the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year 1947-1948. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 9, beginning at Page 458.

SALE OF TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTIES CONFIRMED.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the sale of the following tax foreclosed properties, at public auction on July 7, 1947, was confirmed:

2125-27 Roslyn Avenue, high bid of Gus McKene \$610.00  
425-27 Tremont Avenue, high bid of J. R. Herrin \$525.00

REFUND OF DEPOSIT TO DAVID B. CROSLAND ON CONTRACT FOR SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the refund of deposit in the amount of \$2,720.45 on contract dated February 5, 1947 for sanitary sewer construction in Barringer Drive, was authorized to David B. Crosland.

REFUND OF DEPOSIT TO WADE H. HELMS, ON CONTRACT FOR SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION.

Councilman Albea moved that the refund of deposit in the amount of \$182.58 on contract dated March 14, 1945, for sanitary sewer construction in Clemson Avenue, be authorized to Wade H. Helms. Motion seconded by Councilman White, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.

Councilman White moved that the following contracts, and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary, be authorized. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried:

- (a) Contract with Standard Oil Company for an estimated 250,000 gallons of gasoline, delivered as specified in contract, at an estimated cost of \$41,150.00.
- (b) Contract with Mueller Company, for 1,386 Corporation Stop Union Couplings, in the sum of \$896.57, for the Water Dept.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT.

Upon motion of Councilman Lambeth, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, authority was given for the renewal of Special Officer Permit to Mrs. Stella Patterson on the premises of J. B. Ivey & Company.

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LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

The City Manager reported the lease of the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport:

BUILDING NO.	LESSEE	MONTHLY RENTAL	DATE & TERM OF LEASE
252	R. & H. Bakers, Inc.	\$30.00	11-1-46 - 5 years
53	Pure Oil Company	25.80	7-1-47 - 1 year
251	Forest I. Selby	30.00	5-1-47 - month to month

CEMETERY DEEDS.

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

- (a) To Mrs. Fannie L. Hargrave, Lot 1, Section D, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$61.00.
- (b) To Mrs. Lena K. Davis, Lot 282, Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$81.90.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN TO PRESENT UNDOCKETED ITEMS.

Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Childs, the unanimous consent of Council was given for the presentation of the following undocketed items.

LEASE OF AIRPORT BUILDING TO INDEPENDENCE POST, AMERICAN LEGION.

Councilman DeLaney moved that the City lease to Independence Post, American Legion, the Post Engineer Building at Douglas Municipal Airport, for a period of 5 years, at an annual rental of \$1.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENT OF STREET COMMITTEE.

Mayor Baxter appointed Councilmen Lambeth and Jordan as members of the Street Committee, to advise with the City Manager relative to street and drainage problems.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE RELATIVE TO THE MERIT SYSTEM IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Mayor Baxter appointed a Committee composed of Councilmen Albea, DeLaney and McKee, to study the advisability of the continued operation of the Health Department under the State Merit System, and make recommendation to the Council prior to preparations of the 1948-49 budget.

APPOINTMENT OF STREET BUS COMMITTEE.

Mayor Baxter appointed a Committee composed of Councilman DeLaney, Chairman, Councilmen White and Childs, to study the needs for additional Street Bus service.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Albea, the meeting was adjourned.

*Lillian R. Hoffman*  
City Clerk