

A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, July 6, 1949, with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Coddington, Daughtry, Jordan and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Councilman Aitken.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by the Reverend Mr. Walter B. Freed, Pastor of Saint Marks Luthern Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting, on June 29th, were approved as submitted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FILED.

Mr. J. B. Whittington, Chairman of the Civil Service Commission filed with the Mayor and Council the Annual Report of the Commission, covering period from June 1, 1948 through May 31, 1949.

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION TO MECKLENBURG HUMANE SOCIETY DENIED.

Members of the Mecklenburg Humane Society appeared before Council and the President, Mrs. Patsy Goodwin formally presented a request for an annual appropriation of \$2,500.00 to the Society for use in paying the salary of a Secretary, and office expenses. Mrs. Goodwin explained that the work of the Society was emergency relief to children, animals and birds prior to their care being assumed by the proper local agency. She advised they worked in conjunction with the Mecklenburg County Welfare Department, City Pet Department, Audubon Society and Nature Museum; that 1,235 cases were handled by the Society during 1948. She stated that the Society was supported by membership dues and voluntary contributions and their offices were provided by the Board of County Commissioners.

Mr. D. E. Henderson reviewed the record of the Society since its organization in 1938, and urged the appropriation of funds to assist in continuing their activities.

Mayor Shaw stated that the Council had considered the request for funds, previously made to him, and deeply regretted that no appropriation could be made to the Society. Whereupon, Mrs. Goodwin asked if the contribution could not be made through the City's Pet Department. Mayor Shaw advised that it would not be in keeping with the legal set-up of the City, and expressed his sincere regret that the City was unable to comply with their request for funds.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED SETTING DATE OF HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE.

An ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance (No. 72) Amending Chapter 21 of the City Code with respect to the Zoning Ordinance" was introduced, to change the Building Zone Map from Residence-1 and 2 districts to Business-1 district on property located on Thomas and Commonwealth Avenues between the Post Office and the new Fire Station. Following the reading thereof, a resolution entitled, "Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance", setting the date of hearing on July 27th, was presented and read. Councilman Jordan moved the adoption of the resolution. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 180.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED SETTING DATE OF HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE.

An ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance (No. 73) Amending Chapter 21 of the City Code with Respect to the Zoning Ordinance" was introduced, to change the Building Zone Map from Residence-2 district to Business-1 district on property located on East 35th and 36th Streets and Plaza Road. Following the reading thereof, a resolution entitled, "Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance" setting the date of hearing on July 27th, was presented and read, and upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, was unanimously adopted. Resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 1, at Page 181.

ADVERTISEMENT OF REAL ESTATE FOR DELINQUENT TAXES FOR 1948.

Councilman Jordan moved that the advertisement of real estate for delinquent taxes for 1948 be authorized. Motion seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

SARDIS ROAD, FROM BRIAR CREEK SOUTHEAST TO CITY LIMITS, NAMED CRESCENT AVENUE EXTENSION.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried, Sardis Road from Briar Creek southeast to the city limits was named Creseent Avenue Extension, as recommended by the Planning Board and the City Engineer.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWER IN NORTH CLARKSON STREET.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, authorizing the construction of a new sanitary sewer in North Clarkson Street from present trunk sewer north of West 5th Street 90 feet north toward Cates Street, at a cost of \$272.80.

CONTRACT WITH G. L. NEAL FOR PURCHASE OF WATER LINES IN EMERSON STREET.

Councilman Coddington moved that contract be authorized with G. L. Neal, 3834 Tuckaseegee Road, for the purchase by the City of 2,865 feet of water lines in Emerson Drive, Avalon Avenue and Tresevant Avenue, within the territory annexed on January 1st, at a price of \$561.82. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH C. M. ALLEN & COMPANY, INC., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS IN BRIAR CREEK PROJECT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, contract was awarded C. M. Allen & Company, Inc., for the construction of sanitary sewers in the Briar Creek Project, on a unit price basis, at a total price of \$30,807.89.

UNCLAIMED WATER DEPOSITS TRANSFERRED TO ESCHEATS OFFICER OF UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Councilman Jordan moved that unclaimed water deposits in the amount of \$2,903.92 be transferred to the Escheats Officer of the University of North Carolina as provided for in Section 116-23 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. Motion seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH C. D. SPANGLER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAIN, FIRE HYDRANTS AND WATER SERVICES IN DOUBLE OAKS SUBDIVISION.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried, contract was authorized with C. D. Spangler Construction Company for the installation of 9,335 feet of water mains, 10 fire hydrants and 506 water services in Double Oaks Subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$48,000.00.

SUBDIVISION PLATS APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried, approving the following subdivision plats, as recommended by the Planning Board:

- (a) Plat of Plaza Terrace Subdivision, located west of Plaza Road, being developed by Mr. Paul R. Younts.
- (b) Plat of Echo Hills Subdivision, bounded by Independence Boulevard and old Washburn property, being developed by Mr. J. M. Wallace, 5334 Monroe Road.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS APPROVED.

Councilman Coddington moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots. Motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried:

- (a) To Estate of Mrs. Grace Orr, south part of Lot 139, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$72.80, and Perpetual Care thereon at \$62.40.
- (b) To Miss Rena C. Harrell, Perpetual Care on Lot 98, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$25.00.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTANT TO CHARGE OFF ACCOUNTS, TAXES AND STREET ASSESSMENTS BARRED BY THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS ON JUNE 30, 1949.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, the following resolution was introduced with the unanimous consent of Council:

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TIONS ON JUNE 30, 1949.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE:

That, the City Accountant be, and he is, hereby authorized, empowered and directed to charge off all accounts in his hands representing open accounts, taxes, and/or street assessments which have been barred by the Statute of Limitations as of June 30, 1949.

Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the resolution as read. Motion was seconded by Councilman Coddington, and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Coddington, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman

City Clerk