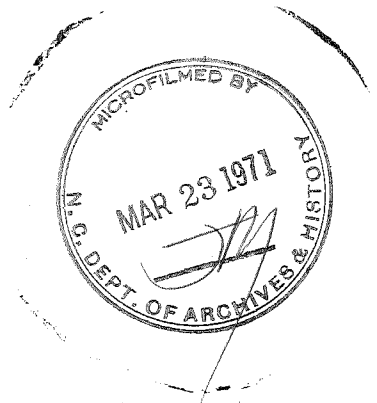


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The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, June 17, 1942, Mayor Currie presiding and the following members of the Council being present: Messrs. Albea, Baker, Beasley, Daughtry, Hovis, Painter, Ross, Slye and Ward.

Absent: Councilmen Little and Price.

PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL LAND IN HERMAN MOORE PARK BY PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL.

Mr. Chas. H. Stone, Chairman of the Park & Recreation Commission, requested approval of the City Council for the purchase by the Park Board of three and a third acres of land in or adjoining the Herman Moore Park, between Dilworth and Myers Park, at the appraised value of \$4500.00; this being desired in order to provide an entrance to the park on East Boulevard. Mr. Stone stated that Mr. Moore, the owner of the property, was donating additional tracts, which will bring the area of the park up to thirty-three acres.

On motion made by Councilman Ross, seconded by Councilman Albea, the approval of the City Council was given for this purchase by the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING READ AND APPROVED.

Upon motion made by Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Baker, the minutes of the meeting of June 10th. were approved as read.

CONTRACT WITH MECKLENBURG COUNTY FOR FIRE SERVICE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS TO BE SIGNED.

Councilman Ross reported for the committee appointed to negotiate with the County for the use of the City's fire equipment in the County, that contract had been prepared by the County Attorney which had the recommendation of the committee, and after the reading of the contract, which differed only from the former contract in that it called for a depreciation charge of \$125.00 per month to be paid to the City by the County, and also, that in case of an emergency within the City, the Chief of the Fire Department can refuse to send equipment into the County, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract, upon motion made by Councilman Ross, seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

MR. MORGAN B. GILREATH APPOINTED TO COLLECT PAST DUE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Upon motion made by Councilman Ross, seconded by Councilman Daughtry, Mr. Morgan B. Gilreath was employed to collect such Department accounts as the City Manager turns over to him, on the basis as set forth in his letter of June 9, 1942, addressed to Mr. C. B. Ross, Chairman of

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The Finance Committee, which letter reads as follows:

"Dear Mr. Ross:

With regard to our conversations relative to the collection of past due accounts receivable of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, I will take these accounts for collection upon the basis that I shall receive twenty per cent (20%) of all amounts collected and paid upon these accounts after they are turned over to me. I will, if possible, contact all of these delinquent debtors, either personally, by telephone or by letter, and so far as possible make an investigation of the public records of this county with regard to their solvency and report my findings as to their ability to pay.

It is understood that I will not handle any accounts owed by the Charlotte Memorial Hospital Association, nor any accounts owed by the United States Government.

The various departments in which these accounts are owing will furnish to me copies of invoices for each account.

MBG:hs
Yours very truly,
(Signed Morgan B. Gilreath "

MR. THOMAS GRIFFITH APPOINTED TO CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Councilman Beasley at this time nominated Mr. Thomas Griffith to serve on the Civil Service Commission in the place of Mr. W. C. Davis, whose term has expired; this to be for a three-year period. Motion was seconded by Councilman Ross and there being no further nominations, a vote was taken on the motion, which carried, and Mr. Griffith was declared elected.

LETTER FROM MR. COLEMAN ROBERTS ASKING FOR FUNDS IN NEW BUDGET FOR WAR TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

The Mayor reported that he had received a letter from Mr. Coleman Roberts, Administrator, War Transportation Committee, stating that it will be necessary for the Council to budget certain funds for expenses in connection with this work and asked that this be taken into consideration in preparing the budget for the fiscal year 1942-43.

INVITATION TO OPENING OF PLAYGROUND - BETHUNE SCHOOL.

An invitation was extended by a Mrs. Housel to the Mayor and City Council to be present at a Playground Party to be held at Bethune School on June 20th., at 4 o'clock P. M.

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RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES AND STREET ASSESSMENTS.

The Resolution adopted at the last meeting on two readings, providing for the collection of delinquent taxes and street assessments was again read by the Clerk and on motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Slye, was adopted upon third and final reading and declared by the Mayor to have passed. Councilman Baker voted against this resolution.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLVED that it is necessary for the proper administration of the City that an assistant to the Collector of Revenue be employed for the purpose of assisting in the collection of delinquent taxes and street assessments, and to that end the City Manager is authorized to appoint such an assistant at a salary not to exceed \$375.00 per month.

PURCHASE OF PIPE FITTINGS.

The following bids having been received on a number of small fittings, namely, ells, tees, bushings, etc., for the Water Department:

Atlas Supply Company	\$105.47
Hajoca Corporation	107.06
Grinnell Co. Inc.	113.43

Councilman Baker moved that the purchase be made from the lowest bidder, Atlas Supply Company of Charlotte, at a net delivered price of \$105.47. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea and carried.

INVOICE WEBSTER VS CITY OF CHARLOTTE TO BE PAID FROM EMERGENCY FUND.

Upon motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Albea, the invoice of Dr. J. S. Gaul, in the amount of \$10.00, covering physical examination of plaintiff prior to trial, in the suit of Edwin P. Webster against the City of Charlotte, was authorized to be paid from the Emergency Fund.

NOTICE OF CLAIM OF JOHN McRAE.

Notice was received from Carswell and Ervin of the claim of John McRae, 609 South Caldwell Street, for alleged damages to his automobile from driving over a meter or manhole, or some metallic pipe installed by the City in the section of Burton and 13th Streets; amount claimed \$150.00. This was referred to the City Attorneys for handling.

NOTICE OF CLAIM OF H. M. WADE.

Notice was received from Robinson & Jones, of the claim of H. M. Wade for alleged damages to his property at 501 West Morehead Street, occupied by the Peoples Oil Company, on June 10th and 11th. It is claimed that the City, in conjunction with others, placed a drain pipe on the adjoining property, thereby diverting a large amount of surface water onto the property of Mr. Wade. Amount of damages claimed is \$4000.00. This was also referred to the City Attorneys.

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OFFER OF DUKE POWER COMPANY TO PURCHASE LAND NEAR SUGAW CREEK DISPOSAL PLANT REFERRED TO OPERATING COMMITTEE.

The City Manager reported that the Duke Power Company wishes to buy from the City a certain portion of land used in connection with the Sugaw Creek Disposal Plant, for the purpose of erecting a substation and power transmission line. He stated that this tract consisted of approximately 5.86 acres and that the offer made was \$170 per acre.

Councilman Albea made a motion that the Council authorize the property to be offered for sale in the usual manner by proper advertising, which was seconded by Councilman Ross, but after considerable discussion, Councilman Beasley made a substitute motion that the matter be referred to the Operating Committee. This was seconded by Councilman Albea, who withdrew his motion, and Councilman Beasley's motion carried.

REQUEST OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR ADDITIONAL LAND NEAR AIRPORT ALSO REFERRED TO OPERATING COMMITTEE.

The request of the Federal Government for additional land at the Airport was, upon motion made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Baker and duly carried, referred to the Operating Committee.

REQUEST FOR ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO EQUIPMENT USED IN NATIONAL DEFENSE REFERRED TO CITY ATTORNEYS.

The City Manager reported that Mr. C. W. Westbrook, Chief Air Raid Warden for Charlotte, had requested that the City adopt some form of ordinance that will make it a misdemeanor to destroy any and all equipment or material used by citizens of Charlotte in connection with Civilian Defense; Mr. Westbrook's immediate thought being the sand boxes being purchased by citizens in lieu of sand bags which have been destroyed by vandals throughout the City.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Baker, this was referred to the City Attorneys to prepare proper ordinance.

APPROPRIATION FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO CIVILIAN DEFENSE OF \$1,000.

Upon motion of Councilman Beasley, seconded by Councilman Ross, an appropriation of \$1,000 is to be made from the Emergency Fund to Civilian Defense.

EXCAVATIONS UNDER SIDEWALKS.

A list of excavations under the sidewalks of the City of Charlotte, prepared by the Engineering Department at the request of the Council some time ago, was filed with the Clerk, and referred by the Mayor to the Finance Committee for further handling.

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CEMETERY DEEDS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Ward, cemetery deeds were authorized to be issued to the following parties;

Ed Cook,	South Half Lot No. 57, Section BB, Elmwood Cemetery	\$49.00
M. L. Kelly,	Lot No. 146, Section "Y", " "	63.00

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

Alice B. McCowell
City Clerk