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A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on November 12, 1946, with Mayor Baxter presiding and Councilmen Childs, Johnston, McIntyre, Newson, Puette and White present.

Absent: Councilman Hinson.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Henry A. Newson.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Johnston, seconded by Councilman Newson, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

REQUEST FOR REDUCTION IN PAVING ASSESSMENT REFERRED TO CITY ATTORNEY.

Request was made by Mr. J. M. Scarborough, Attorney, on behalf of E. E. Fowler that paving assessment against his property at Pryor and Morson Streets be reduced to 40% of cost. Upon motion of Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Childs, the matter was referred to the City Attorney.

LEASE OF CLUB HOUSE AT AIRPORT TO HORNET'S NEST POST, AMERICAN LEGION.

Upon motion of Councilman Newson, seconded by Councilman Puette, Council unanimously consented to consider the request of Mr. Don McSwain, Commander of Hornets Nest Post #9, American Legion, that the City lease to them the Club House at Douglas Municipal Airport.

The following proposal submitted by them was presented and read:

- "1. Hornets Nest Post No. 9 wishes to obtain a five year lease on the building formerly used as an officers' club at Morris Field Army Air Base.
2. Rental fees to be left to the City Council.
3. An administrative body will be appointed by the Executive Staff of Post No. 9 to supervise the building and maintenance thereof.
4. Hornests Nest Post will take responsibility for renovating, furnishing and generally maintaining the building.
5. Building to be used as a meeting place by Hornets Nest Post and all other veterans organizations, and also by responsible civic groups. Those who use this building regularly will be asked to contribute their proportionate share to the operation and maintenance. Special meetings will be charged a small fee to take care of expenses necessary for these meetings.
6. Yearly, or on request, a general report will be made to the City Council on the building and its operations."

Councilman White moved that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the standard form of lease, with Hornest Nest Post No. 9 for the Club House, eliminating the 60 days cancellation clause, and incorporating therein the proposal as submitted. Motion seconded by Councilman Newson,

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and unanimously carried.

Councilman Newson then moved that the rental on the Club House be set at \$1.00 per annum. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEED TO PROPERTY AT 1304-06 SEIGLE AVENUE IN EXTINGUISHMENT OF TAX AND PAVING LIENS.

Upon motion of Councilman Newson, seconded by Councilman Childs, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, as read:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF
DEED OF C. FLOYD SHUMAN AND WIFE, WINFREY H.
SHUMAN, TO PROPERTY AT 1304-06 SEIGLE AVENUE
IN EXTINGUISHMENT OF TAX AND PAVING LIENS.

WHEREAS, C. Floyd Shuman is the owner in fee simple of Lot 8 in Block 14 as shown on map of East End recorded in Book 173, pages 582 and 583, of the Registry for Mecklenburg County, which is located at Nos. 1304-06 Seigle Avenue in the City of Charlotte, free and clear of liens and encumbrances except city taxes in the amount of \$79.46, principal and interest, county taxes in the amount of \$29.53, principal and interest, Special Assessment Account No. 24911 in the amount of \$899.82, principal and interest, and accrued court costs in Tax Suit No. 474 in the amount of \$12.05; and whereas, the said C. Floyd Shuman and wife, Winfrey H. Shuman, have proposed, pursuant to the provisions of Section 52 of the Charter of the City of Charlotte, to execute and deliver their deed conveying said property to said City, subject to the lien of county taxes, in extinguishment of all liens of said City against said property and of the costs accrued in the aforesaid tax suit; and whereas, the said property is assessed for taxation at a valuation of \$260.00 and its fair market value is in excess of \$121.04 which is the aggregate amount of the aforesaid tax liens of both City and County and of the aforesaid costs.

RESOLVED, THEREFORE, that the City of Charlotte accept the proposed deed and that the City Accountant and City Treasurer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to issue checks in payment of city and county taxes and court costs and that the aforesaid special assessment account be charged to the City.

PURCHASE OF ADDING MACHINE FROM UNDERWOOD CORPORATION AT \$162.29.

Councilman Puette moved that action taken on November 5, 1946 authorizing purchase of an Adding Machine from Underwood Corporation at \$141.12 be rescinded, and said purchase be made at \$162.29, due to an increase in price of machine. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH NEWS PRINTING HOUSE, INC. FOR 22,000 1947 CITY AUTOMOBILE LICENSE STICKERS.

Councilman Puette moved that action taken on September 24, 1946 authorizing contract with the News Printing House, Inc. for 20,000 1947 automobile license stickers at \$479.70 be rescinded, and contract be made for 22,000 stickers with the News Printing House, Inc., in the sum of \$534.70. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES AUTHORIZED.

Councilman White moved that authority be given for the following purchases and contracts, and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried:

- (a) Purchase of 8000 stamped envelopes from the Charlotte Post office, in the amount of \$267.68, for use in the Tax Dept.
- (b) Purchase of 25, 1-inch Meter Yokes from Ford Meter Box Co., in the amount of \$107.50, for use by the Water Department.

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- (c) Purchase of One Sterilizer from Southern Scientific Company in the amount of \$198.60, for use by the Health Department.
- (d) Contract with General Truck Company for One 1 1/2 Ton GMC Cab and Chassis, in the amount of \$1,418.56.
- (e) Contract with Atkinson-Norfleet, Inc., for One Dodge Sedan, in the amount of \$1,495.13.
- (f) Contract with Pettit Motor Company, for one Tudor Ford Car, in the amount of \$1,267.53.
- (g) Contract with Atkinson-Norfleet, Inc., for One Dodge 1/2 Ton Pick-up Truck, at a net delivered price of \$974.45.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN FOR PRESENTATION OF ITEMS NOT ON DOCKET.

Upon motion of Councilman Puette, seconded by Councilman White, the following items not included in the Docket were presented with the unanimous consent of Council.

ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

An Ordinance entitled; "AN ORDINANCE DEALING WITH THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE" was presented and read. Councilman White moved the adoption of the ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 9, at page 409.

SALE OF USED PLUMBING AND HEATING MATERIALS AT AIRPORT TO E. P. NISBET COMPANY.

Councilman Newson moved that the used plumbing and heating materials at Douglas Municipal Airport be sold to E. P. Nisbet Company at his bid price of \$1,320.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Councilman Childs moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute deeds for the following cemetery lots. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried:

- To - Mrs. Bertha S. Davis, Perpetual Care on Lot 82, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, \$25.00.
- To - Mrs. Sadie H. Coles, duplicate deed for Lot 149, Section S, Elmwood Cemetery, \$1.00.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Johnston, seconded by Councilman Newson, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hayfman
City Clerk