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The City Council met in regular weekly session at 4 P. M., Wednesday, September 17, 1941, in the Council Chamber, City Hall; Mayor Currie presiding and Councilmen Albea, Beasley, Daughtry, Hovis, Little, Painter, Price, Ross, Slye and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilman Baker.

CLAIM OF MRS. IRENE SCHULZ WALSH, ADMNX. OF ESTATE OF DR. W. H. WALSH
PRESENTED.

Claim of Mrs. Irene Schulz Walsh, of Chicago, Ill., Administratrix of the estate of Dr. Wm. H. Walsh, against the City of Charlotte, in the amount of \$6,410.46, alleged balance due on Charlotte Memorial Hospital Account, was formally filed with the Council, through Attorney Frank Kennedy, and same was referred to the City Manager to turn over to the City Attorney.

COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE PERMITTED TO HANG BANNERS, ETC. FOR DRIVE.

Mr. H. B. Diamond appeared before the Council and requested permission to put up cloth banners or signs across the streets during the Community Chest Drive, at the following places:

One	between	the	Square	and	4th	Streets
One	"	"	"	"	5th	"
One	"	"	"	"	Church	Street
One	"	"	"	"	College	Street

Also a sign over the corner of Trade and Morehead Sts., and permission to place 22" x 28" cardboard signs on each of the light poles downtown and in a few residential and semi-residential localities in the city.

He also asked that in order to carry out a spectacular start for the drive on the opening day, Saturday, November 1st., at noon, that they be permitted to drop from an aeroplane 8,000 small heart-shaped circulars, 6" x 6", with sales appeal of Community Chest on one side, several hundred of which will have free passes to the Carolina Theatre on the other side. He advised that Mr. Dabney Coddington would fly his own plane for this work.

Councilman Ward made a motion that the entire request be granted provided they abide by the ordinance in effect regarding the dropping of advertising matter from aeroplanes, subject to the approval of the City Attorney and the Civil Aeronautics Authority. Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried.

APPEAL MADE BY ANDREW STOGNER FOR BETTER LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE ON TAXICABS.

Mr. Andrew Stogner, who had his neck broken in a taxicab accident some time ago, appeared before the Council with an appeal that the City require better liability insurance coverage than the present ordinance carries. Mr. Stogner advised that he was awarded \$10,000.00 damages by the Courts, but was only able to collect \$2500.00 through the insurance company, which is the amount required for injury to one person in any one accident; being unable to collect the balance due to the fact

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that the taxicab company is out of business and judgment cannot be collected.

After hearing Mr. Stogner's appeal, the Mayor referred the matter to the Finance Committee to confer with the City Attorney to see what can be done regarding this situation.

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10TH. MEETING APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Little, seconded by Councilman Albea and carried, the minutes of the meeting of September 10th., were approved as read.

MR. J. H. CARSON APPOINTED TO FILL VACANCY ON PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION.

At this time Councilman Daughtry placed in nomination to fill the vacancy on the Park and Recreation Commission due to the resignation of Mr. Cecil B. Pate, the name of Mr. J. H. Carson. This motion was seconded by Councilman Ross.

Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Hovis, nominated Mr. J. A. Scoggins.

A vote was taken on the motion to elect Mr. Scoggins, which resulted in a vote of five affirmative and five negative. When the vote was taken on Mr. J. H. Carson, this vote also resulted in a tie vote, five and five, and the Mayor cast his vote in favor of Mr. Carson, thus electing Mr. Carson to this position.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE VARIOUS MATTERS CONTAINED IN PETITION OF MRS. SARAH ROSS HOUSER AGAINST JUDGE REDD, ADOPTED.

The following report was made by the Chairman of the Committee appointed to investigate the various matters contained in the petition of Mrs. Sarah Ross Houser, and on motion of Councilman Daughtry, seconded by Councilman Slye was adopted, with certain amendment made by Councilman Price, seconded by Councilman Slye, namely: that with regard to the use of the City's car, the report read that not only Judge Redd but any employee in that Department not be permitted to use any automobile of the City:

TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE:

The Special Committees heretofore appointed by you to investigate and report on the various matters contained in the petition of Mrs. Sarah Ross Houser, dated August 19, 1941, after having previously met separately, met in a joint session on September 16, 1941.

There were present all members of both Committees, namely, Messrs. McDonald, Cashion and Hamilton from the Board of County Commissioners, and Messrs. Daughtry, Ward and Slye from the City Council. Mr. J. L. DeLaney, County Attorney, and Mr. Hugh B. Campbell, City Attorney, were also present.

After carefully reviewing the various charges submitted by Mrs. Houser, your Committees recommend the following:

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1. That no action be taken to reinstate Mrs. Houser as an employee in the Domestic Relations Court because that is a matter to be dealt with by Judge Redd.
2. That on occasions in the past Judge Redd has used the automobile furnished by the City and County for personal matters and may have taken some of the business time of the Process Officer of the Domestic Relations Court for his personal business; that such use was more than compensated for, however, by Judge Redd using his personal automobile on business of the Court and nothing will be gained at this time by taking any action concerning past occurrences of this nature.
3. That it is advisable, however, for future guidance to instruct Judge Redd that he is not to use any automobile furnished by the City and County for any personal matters and that he is not to use any of the business time of the Process Officer or any other employee of the Domestic Relations Court for his personal business. (This section amended. See motion above).
4. That with regard to the various other charges made, no investigation is justified or warranted because, whether such investigation should prove the charges true or not, no action could or should be taken by your bodies. Such charges more properly belong before the North Carolina State Bar or some other organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Joint Committee

PURCHASE OF STOKERS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion made by Councilman Little, seconded by Councilman Albae, order was placed with Ballenger Bros. Coal Company, for five stoker installations for the Fire Department, at a net installed price of \$1,075.00, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

The following bids were received on these installations:

Ballenger Bros. Company	\$1,075.00
Wm. T. Alexander & Company	1,083.00
Royal Coal & Coke Company	1,119.07
" " " " " (alternate bid	
1 stoker for boiler #2-3-9	\$232.08
Garrison & Hopkins Company	1,224.00
Continental Electric Corp	1,227.40
Howard & Kelly Coal Co.	1,262.00
P. C. Godfrey	1,315.00
Avrett & Ledbetter Roofing & Htg. Co.	1,555.00

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS.

The following bids on Uniforms for the Fire Department, Police Department, Sanitary Department, Street Department and Health Department and Radio Divisn, were submitted:

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SECTION 1. FIRE DEPARTMENT.
123 Coats, 123 Vests, 246 Trousers, 3 complete
Uniforms for Chief Officers and 175 Badges.

Martin's Department Store	\$4,082.90
Charlotte Mercantile Company	4,086.75
Elliott & Fink	4,359.35
The Lilley-Ames Company	4,545.90
Efird's Department Store	4,634.25
Belk Bros. Company	4,726.70

On motion of Councilman Little, seconded by Councilman Ross, contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, Martin's Department Store, at a net delivered price of \$4,082.90 and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

SECTION 2. POLICE DEPARTMENT.
13 Officer's coats; 81 Patrolman, Radio and Motor-
cycle Coats; 10 Overcoats for Patrolmen; 9 short
overcoats; 151 Breeches; 31 officer's and patrolmen
caps; 63 Radio and Patrolmen soft top caps; 2
special policemen coats; 2 special overcoats; 4
special patrolmen breeches; 2 special patrolmen
caps and 37 officers' and patrolmen trousers.

Elliott & Fink	\$5,469.30
Charlotte Mercantile Company	5,618.45
Efird's Department Store	5,909.90
Belk Bros. Company	6,356.70
The Lilley-Ames Company	6,646.00
Martin's Department Store	6,676.20

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Slye, award of this section was made to the lowest bidder, Elliott & Funk, of Charlotte, at a net delivered price of \$5,469.30, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

SECTION 3. HEALTH & RADIO DIVISION.
1 Radio officer's coat; 4 Health Department and
Radio Division coats; 10 trousers and 5 caps.

Charlotte Mercantile Company	\$ 206.50
Elliott & Fink	223.75
Efird's Department Store	236.70
Belk Bros. Company	242.90
The Lilley-Ames Company	256.70

Award on this section was made to the lowest bidder, Charlotte Mercantile Company, on motion made by Councilman Beasley, seconded by Councilman Albea and carried, at a net delivered price of \$206.50; the Mayor and Clerk being authorized to sign the contract.

SECTION 4. SANITARY DEPARTMENT.
248 Overalls; 124 jackets; 248 shirts; 124 cap
covers and 60 coveralls.

Belk Bros. Company	\$1,105.52
Martin's Department Store	1,154.09