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The City Council met in regular weekly session at 4:00 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, June 16, 1937, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, with Mayor Douglas presiding and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Durham, Griswold, Hudson, Huntley, Little, Nance and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Councilmen Hovis and Sides.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the minutes of the June 2nd. meeting were approved as read.

On motion of Councilman Griswold, seconded by Councilman Albea the minutes of the June 9th. meeting were approved as read.

PETITION FOR OPENING SUMMITT AVENUE TO UNBOTTLE MOREHEAD STREET.

Mr. E. A. Hilker, Attorney, presented to the Council a petition signed by approximately 1,000 persons, requesting that Summitt Avenue, in the western part of the City, be extended from Clarkson Street to Morehead Street, in order to relieve the heavy traffic on Morehead Street from Wilkinson Boulevard.

He stated it would be necessary to construct a bridge over Irwin Creek but that the cost of opening up this street would not be large.

Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Hudson, moved that the matter be referred to the City Manager and City Attorney for investigation and report back to the Council at the next meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

CONTRACT FOR LEAD GOOSE NECKS AWARDED TO HAJOCA CORPORATION.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with the Hajoca Corporation for 300- 3/4" Corporation Stops and Lead Goose Necks for the Water Department, at a price of \$900.00.

Bids were as follows:

Hajoca Corporation	\$900.00
Mueller Company	900.00
Glauber Brass Mfg. Co.	900.00

CONTRACT FOR FILING CABINETS.

On motion of Councilman Griswold, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract for two specially build Metal Filing Cabinets for use in the Water Department, with the Pound and Moore Company, low bidders, at the price of \$344.00.

Bids received were as follows:

Pound and Moore	\$344.00
Kale-Lawing Co.	372.00
W. N. Stokes Co. Inc.	452.50
Carolina Office Supply Co.	487.50
Remington-Rand, Inc.	598.95

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DEBT SERVICE APPROVAL.

The City Manager advised that he had received a letter from the Local Government Commission, in which they gave approval of the method by which the City proposed to handle its contribution to the Special Assessment Fund and the Sinking Fund, and explained that he would like to also have the approval of the City Council to this set-up, which is as follows:

1. City's Contribution to the Special Assessment Fund.

Under the present Assessments we are expected to contribute, during 1937-38 the sum of \$212,320.18 to bring these installments up through October 1, 1937 in accordance with the maturities. We are satisfied that the collection of Assessments from Property Owners, together with one-tenth of the amount due by the City will be sufficient to meet our Bond requirements, therefore, we feel that it is practical to re-assess these accounts over a ten year period, thereby reducing the City's contribution the next three years, and equalizing it over a ten year period beginning October 1, 1933 and ending October 1, 1942. This action would reduce the City's contribution for 1937-38 by approximately \$161,000.00.

2. Sinking Fund Contribution

Under an agreement made with you in 1935, we are obligated to contribute \$100,000.00 to our Sinking Fund during the fiscal year 1937-38. However, when this agreement was made we understood that we would be entitled to deduct from our contributions any earnings of the Sinking Fund Investments, and any Funds which were paid to the Sinking Fund from back tax collections, which were not considered at that time an asset. In view of the fact that we have earned a considerable sum on Investments, and have paid to the Sinking Fund monies received from back tax collections, we feel that we are entitled to deduct same from our 1937-38 contribution, which will not decrease our Sinking Fund Assets as of June 30, 1937.

Councilman Albea moved that the set-up as read by the City Manager be approved by the Council. Motion seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried.

SEWER EXTENSION ON SHENANDOAH AVENUE.

On motion of Councilman Durham, seconded by Councilman Hudson, the application for extension of a sewer line on Shenandoah Avenue, from Westover Street 350 feet towards St. Julien Street, to serve two houses and estimated to cost \$337.70, was unanimously approved.

APPLICATION FOR OPENING OF CARD ROOM DENIED.

The City Manager reported receipt of application from the Collector of Revenue regarding an application for a Cigar Store and Card Room, which did not receive the approval of the Collector of Revenue, nor the Police Department.

Thereupon, Councilman Wilkinson moved that the application be denied for the card room, which was seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried.

DISCOUNT ON WATER FOR SALVATION ARMY.

Upon motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Albea the Salvation Army's request for discount on water in the swimming pool in the North Charlotte Community Center for the Red Shield Boys Club, and also a location to be opened later up town, was granted.

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INVITATION TO ATTEND LUNCHEON GIVEN BY COUNTY FEDERATION OF WOMEN.

The County Federation of Women extended an invitation to the Mayor, Councilmen and City Manager to attend a luncheon at the Woman's Club on Tuesday, June 22nd., at 1:00 P. M., and Mayor Douglas asked as many to accept as could.

OUT-OF-TOWN CLEANING ESTABLISHMENTS.

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried, the request of Mr. Henry Benoit that the City increase the license fee for out-of-town cleaning establishments, was taken under consideration for one week to see if something could be worked out.

INSTALLATION OF WATER AND SEWER CONNECTIONS ON MT. VERNON AVENUE.

Mr. Marshall reported that he had received application from Mr. E. D. Latta, Jr. that the City install water and sewer on Mt. Vernon Avenue, between Myrtle and Euclid Avenues, the cost of the sewer being estimated as \$462.00, which Mr. Latta agrees to pay if the City will refund when as many as three connections are made to this sewer. The extension of the water main, estimated to cost \$696.00, carries 10% guarantee by Mr. Latta, not to exceed \$70.00 per year.

Councilman Albea moved that these installations be made and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the contracts with Mr. Latta for this work. Motion seconded by Councilman Nance and unanimously carried.

CHARLOTTE COOPERATIVE NURSING ASSOCIATION.

The City Manager advised the Council that the Charlotte Cooperative Nursing Association was desirous of following the recommendations laid down in the report of Mr. Divine and that they wished to withdraw from the Nursing Service, which they felt is now a governmental agency, and that they had asked that the City take over the entire cost of the Nursing Division in the Health Department.

Mr. Marshall pointed out that the City indirectly has been supporting the nursing activities to the extent of about \$22,000.00 per year; the Goodfellows Club contributed \$3300.00 per year and the Charlotte Woman's Club \$1200.00, but the Goodfellows Club now wished to use their money for other work and had asked to be relieved from their contribution.

After discussion, Councilman Griswold, seconded by Councilman Baxter, moved that the City take over the Nursing Service, which was unanimously carried, Councilman Wilkinson stated that he was in favor of doing so upon the recommendation of the City Manager, the Nursing Service the Goodfellows Club, the Director of the United Welfare Federation, etc., but not on the recommendation of "Father" Divine.

CONTRACT FOR PUBLISHING THE REVENUE ORDINANCE 1937-38.

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Little, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign contract with the Charlotte Observer for publishing the 1937-38 Revenue Ordinance in that paper, and for printing 3,600 additional copies in book form, at a total cost of \$308.25.

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Bids received on this work were as follows:

The Charlotte Observer,		
Per Inch .85¢ - Estimated inches 245		\$208.25
3,600 Books		100.00
	Total	<u>\$308.25</u>

The Charlotte News		
Per Inch .85; - Estimated inches 290		\$246.50
3,600 Books		111.20
	Total	<u>\$357.70</u>

Bids on books alone:

The Lassiter Press	\$110.00
Huneycutt Printing Co.	139.20
Carolina Office Supply Co.	165.00
Washburn Printing Co.	170.00
Pound and Moore Co.	195.00
Southern Printing Co.	217.50

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT GRANTED DAN B. BRADLEY.

On motion of Councilman Griswold, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and carried, the application from Schneer's, Inc. for the appointment of Dan B. Bradley as Special Police Officer, <sup>on the premises</sup> was granted after motion by Councilman Albea to table was lost.

APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Marshall reported the employment of Miss Doris Gambrell as Stenographer in the Engineering Department and Miss Majorie Todd as File Clerk in the Water Department.

RENTAL OF DISTRIBUTOR FOR AIRPORT FROM KIKER AND YOUNTS.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried, the recommendation of the City Manager, that the City rent a Distributor for putting asphalt on the strip in front of the Administration Building at the Airport, from Kiker & Younts, on the rental basis of \$45.00 per working day and \$20.00 per day when the machine is idle, was complied with, this being the lowest bid received.

PARKING IN FRONT OF COURT HOUSE AND LAW BUILDING REFERRED TO POLICE COMMITTEE.

The matter of parking of automobiles in front of the Court House and Law Building brought before the Council several weeks ago by Attorney Gover, was, on motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Albea, referred to the newly appointed Police Committee and City Manager to report back at the next meeting.

RESIGNATION OF DR. ADDISON BRENER AS CHAIRMAN OF PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE ACCEPTED.

The resignation of Dr. Addison Brenizer as Chairman of the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission was presented by Mayor Douglas and on motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Nance, was accepted with regrets.

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HOSPITAL FACILITIES.

Councilman Wilkinson called to the attention of the City Council the present inadequate facilities of hospitals in Charlotte, stating that all local hospitals are over-crowded and are turning many needy cases away for lack of available rooms. He suggested that a committee be appointed to go into the matter. He also stated that it would probably be necessary for a legislative act to be passed in order to build a municipal hospital.

Councilman Wilkinson then moved that a special committee be appointed to go into the situation, which was seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Hudson, the following cemetery deeds were approved:

W. M. Langston, East Half Lot No. 148-A, "D Annex"	\$39.20
Perpetual care on same " "	28.00
Mrs. Della Webber, North East Quarter Lot No. 24-A, "D Annex"	35.00

PINEWOOD

J. S. Bratton, West Half Lot No. 1, Section "E",	39.63
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ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Councilman Albea to adjourn, unanimously carried.

*Alice B. McConnell*  
City Clerk