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The City Council met in regular weekly session in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, May 19, 1937, with Mayor Pro Tem Albea presiding, and Councilmen Baxter, Durham, Griswold, Hovis, Hudson, Huntley, Little, Nance and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Mayor Douglas and Councilman Sides.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 5TH. FINAL MEETING OF OUTGOING COUNCIL APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Durham, the minutes of the meeting held at 9:00 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 5th., were unanimously approved as read.

MINUTES OF MAY 5TH. 10 A. M.

On motion of Councilman Durham, seconded by Councilman Baxter, the minutes of the Council meeting held at 10:00 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 5th., were unanimously approved as read.

MINUTES OF MAY 11th.

On motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Hudson, the minutes of the May 11th. meeting were unanimously approved as read.

AIRPORT COMMISSION PRESENT.

The newly elected Airport Commission, Mr. States Lee, Chairman, Mr. John F. Boyd and Mr. Chas. E. Lambeth, having been sworn in just prior to this meeting, were present and each expressed to the Council their appreciation of their appointment to serve on this board and pledged their efforts to give Charlotte one of the best Airports in the South, after which Mr. Lee introduced the newly appointed Manager of the Airport, Major V. L. Nash, retired U. S. Army Major, who also spoke a few words in connection with his appointment.

REQUEST OF MR. CHAS. ROSS FOR CITY TO CONDITION STREET KNOWN AS BROWN'S PLACE.

Mr. Chas. Ross appeared before the Council and asked that the old paving to be taken from West Morehead Street, which is to be repaved at an early date, be placed on the side street leading to their service entrance, known as Brown's Place, and rolled by the City, stating that it would not be necessary to haul this broken pavement any great distance in order to do this.

The City Manager stated that it was the responsibility of the contractor to dispose of the material as he saw fit and that he was of the opinion that the Council, in the past, had ^{not} accepted a street as a street where it served as an entrance to only one building.

However, after discussion, Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley, moved that the matter be referred to the Public Works Committee and the City Manager. Motion unanimously carried.

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SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTED \$3600.00 RENT BE REFUNDED.

of the School Board
Mr. Henry Benoit, Chairman of the Finance Committee, appeared before the Council regarding \$3600.00 rent charged the Board of Education during the depression years, stating that the City Treasurer had deducted this amount from the School Board's funds this year and asked that the City remove this item of rent from the books.

Mr. Marshall explained that the City's budget is made up in anticipation of the collection of funds and that this would be a deficit in the City's accounts if written off or refunded and that he did not think the City could legally do this inasmuch as it would have to come out of funds in the year in which a 25-cent supplement had already been levied.

After further discussion, Councilman Wilkinson moved that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee of the City Council, the City Manager and City Attorney, and report back to the Council. Motion seconded by Councilman Nance and unanimously carried.

SALARY OF MAYOR FIXED AT MAXIMUM.

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the salary of the Mayor was set at the maximum \$1200.00 per year by unanimous vote.

SALARY OF CITY COUNCIL.

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Durham, and unanimously carried, the salary to be paid the Councilmen was set at the maximum \$200.00 per year.

PURCHASE OF REPAIR PARTS FOR PUMPS AT CATAWBA STATION.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with the W. G. Jarrell Machine Company for repairs, consisting of making and fitting two new couplings on the pump at the Catawba Station, at a cost of \$241.48.

NOTICE OF SUIT OF JANE JOHNSON TERRELL.

The City Manager reported receipt of notice of suit of Jane Johnson Terrell against the City of Charlotte for alleged damages to her automobile caused by striking a raised man-hole lid on South Morrow Street; the amount of suit being for \$186.36, and her attorney Mr. Thad Adams.

STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT WITH DUKE POWER COMPANY.

Mr. Marshall reported that new contract secured from the Duke Power Company for Street Lighting, which represents a saving of \$480.60 per month over the present rate; this effective as of June 1st.

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The following report on the Airport construction was presented by the City Manager:

"In the construction of the Airport, it will be necessary for the City to provide additional facilities that were not contemplated in the last estimate submitted. We will be required to place the roofing material and siding on the hangar. The Bureau of Air Commerce will require the fence to be built around the lower end of the North and South runways to prevent cars from driving onto the runways. It will be necessary to screen the building. It is necessary for the City to furnish an asphalt distributor to place the asphalt on the apron in front of the Administration Building. Some furniture for the building will have to be purchased. It is estimated that these requirements and other incidentals will cost about \$3,700.00. I have a statement from the Municipal Accountant which shows that there is an unappropriated surplus of \$2,515.59 in the General Fund. I recommend that this surplus be appropriated for additional work at the Airport."

Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Hovis, moved that this transfer be made and used as seen fit by the City Manager. Motion unanimously carried.

INSURANCE ON AIRPORT.

The City Manager reported quotations from McAlister Carson Insurance Agency for Public Liability and Property Damage insurance on the Airport. The cost for Public Liability limits of 50/100,000 being \$66.00 and the cost for Property Damage \$25.00, and advised that the City should take out this insurance. Whereupon, Councilman Griswold, seconded by Councilman Hovis, moved that this be done. Motion unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FOR TANK LOCATIONS.

In connection with the purchase of property for the location of the Water Tanks for the Water Works Improvements, the City Manager submitted property of Mary C. Johnson, at Margurite Ave. and the Plaza which could be purchased for \$4500.00, and the Hackney property at Pecan and East Eighth Street for \$8100.00 and the commission to the real estate agent.

Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Durham, moved that the City purchase these two pieces of property as described by the City Manager. Motion unanimously carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Durham, the following cemetery deeds were ordered recorded:

Mrs. A. H. Ratterree, Lot No. 65, Section "Y"	\$35.00
Perpetual care " " " " "	25.00
W. P. Lowe, S.E. 1/4 Lot No. 24-A, "D Annex"	35.00
Transfer of East Half Lot No. 53, Section "H" from Mrs. Jessie B. Farrior to Douglas and Sing	1.00
Transfer of West Half Lot No. 4, "A Annex" from Mr. A. B. Kelly to Mrs. Henry Thomas	1.00

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, the meeting adjourned.

Alice B. McConnell

City Clerk