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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, August 31st., 1938, with Mayor Douglas presiding and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Durham, Griswold, Hovis, Hudson, Huntley, Nance, Sides and Wilkinson being present.

Absent: Councilman Little.

READING OF MINUTES.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the minutes of the regular meeting of August 3rd., the special meetings of August 1lth. and 16th. and the regular meeting of August 24th. were approved as read.

OPTEMETRIC CLINIC AGAIN DISCUSSED.

Br. J. A. Palmer, optometrist, who had requested the Council on July 6th. to assist in establishing an optemetric clinic in Charlotte by furnishing the space for this clinic, and which was referred to the Health Committee at that time to meet with a committee from the County, again appeared before the Council, stating that he had been unable to secure a meeting of the Health Committee on this matter, that their equipment for this Clinic had arrived and that he had had to obtain permission of the City Manager to store this equipment until the matter could be cleared up, and that he was now asking that the Council appoint another committee to handle or act on it as a body. He stated he would appreciate the opportunity of discussing the matter in order to show the merits and demerits of the question.

Councilman Nance, Chairman of the Health Committee, stated he had endeavored to call a meeting of his committee but had been unable to do so, and that in the mean time Dr. Rea, of the Health Department, had advised him that the State Board of Health had ruled that it was not a health measure and, therefore, to not have anything to do with the clinic. but that he would be glad to call a meeting of his committee at any time satisfactory to Dr. Palmer and discuss the matter, and it was agreed that Councilman Nance meet with the committee from the County, Dr. Rea and Dr. Hand, at a time suitable to all, which was satisfactory to Dr. Palmer.

STREET NAME CHANGED.

Mr. J. J. Beloungy appeared and requested the Council to consider the petition filed several weeks ago relative to the changing of the name of that part of Ashland Avenue which circles between Chambwood Drive and Tippah Avenue to Chambwood Drive, and after discussion with several members of the Council and the City Manager, Councilman Sides moved that the name of that portion of Ashland Avenue described in the petition be changed to Chambwood Drive, which motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and carried.

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PEDDLERS ORDINANCE.

Judge Hunter, who last week had requested the Council to consider amending the peddlers ordinance with reference to the sale of flowers by county women on the streets of the business district, again appeared regarding this request, stating that it would greatly help these women if relief could be given until this year's flowers could be disposed of.

Councilman Wilkinson, who was Chairman of the special committee appointed to handle the matter, reported that his committee had met and gone into the matter in an effort to give them the desired relief, and he stated that he did not think that the sale of these flowers on the streets would hurt the florists and that he moved that an amendment be drawn to the ordinance, if possible, regarding that portion of the ordinance which prohibits the sale of flowers in order that they may be permitted to dispose of their flowers the remainder of the year, but that they be required to come to the Collector of Revenue and secure a permit stating that they had raised the flowers and that they be permitted to sell them.

After discussion, City Attorney Boyd stated he would try to work out an amendment along the above lines without making the entire ordinance illegal, and Councilman Albea seconded the above motion, but on being put to a vote the motion failed to carry. However, the City Attorney was requested to draw an ordinance to present at the next meeting.

PURCHASE OF BONDS FOR SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Sides, the following bonds were approved for purchase for the Sinking Fund Account, subject to approval of the Local Government Commission:

\$3,000 Albemarle, N. C. $5\frac{1}{2}$ s, due 5-1-40, to yield 1.50% 2,000 Catawba County, 4-3/4s, due 7-1-41, to yield 1.75% 5,000 City of Charlotte $4\frac{1}{2}$ s. due 3-1-41, to yield 1.25% 15,000 Alamance County, 6s, due 7-1-39/41, to yield 2%.

PLUMBING CODE.

Mr. Marshall advised the Council that he had intended presenting the ordinance submitted to the Council several weeks ago repealing and amending certain sections of the Plumbing Code, for adoption at this time, but that due to the length of the ordinance and the lateness of the hour he would hold for another meeting.

INVOICE OF MR. J. M. SCARBOROUGH APPROVED FOR PAYMENT.

The City Manager presented an invoice of Mr. J. M. Scarborough, for legal services rendered in the case of Mrs. Hattie Hodge vs. the City, which was appealed to the Supreme Court; in the sum of \$200.00; in the case of T. K. Davis vs. City of Charlotte, damage suit which resulted in favor of the City, \$100.00; and special proceedings in the matter of B. Craig Davidson, N. Tryon St. and Concord Road widening and right of way, \$50.00; and securing three titles to property on N. Tryon Street, \$30.00, making total of \$380.00; and on motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Hudson, this invoice was approved for payment.

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HOUSE NUMBERS.

Councidman Hudson stated that a number of house numbers marked on the sidewalks were incorrect and asked who had been in charge of number these curbings. Mr. Marshall advised that some party had requested permission to place these numbers on the curb but that while he was not given permission by the City to do so, he was told that if the property owners wished them placed and would pay for them he could put them on for the owners, and that this was done, but that the numbers furnished to the property owners for placing on their homes would be the correct numbers.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

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

Rev. D. J. Flynn, East Half Lot No. 12, Section "E", West Pinewood, \$22.25 Mrs. Lillian Smith, Lot No. 15, Section "F", " " 16.00

LABOR DAY - HOLIDAY.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Hovis, Monday, September 5th. was declared a holiday for all City employees who can conveniently be away from their duties, this being Labor Day.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Nance, the meeting adjourned.

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