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The City Council held its regular weekly meeting in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., Wednesday July 26th, 1939, with Mayor Douglas presiding and Councilmen Baxter, Britt, Hovis, Hudson, Huntley, Nance, Sides, Ward, and Wilkinson being present.

Absent: Councilmen Albea and Little.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF JULY 19TH AND 21ST READ AND APPROVED.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Huntley and carried, the minutes of the meetings of July 19th and 21st were approved as read.

REQUEST FOR CHARITY LICENSE FOR MR. WM. REIVES.

Mr. H. Grady Goode appeared before the Council, requesting a charity license for Mr. Wm. H. Reives, who is a disabled war veteran, to operate a shoe repair shop. Mayor Douglas advised Mr. Goode that all charity licenses were handled through the Mecklenburg Welfare Association and the City would be glad to issue the license of recommended by this organization.

PURCHASE OF WATER METERS.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and unanimously carried, contract was awarded to the low bidder, Pittsburgh Equitable Meter Company for 100 - 5/8" Water Meters, at a total delivered price of \$882.00, and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the contract.

All bids received were as follows:

Pittsburgh Equitable Meter Company	\$882.00
Neptune Meter Company	882.00
Hersey Manufacturing Company	882.00

CONTRACT FOR ASPHALT.

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Baxter and unanimously carried, the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign a contract with the Emulsified Asphalt Refining Company, for ten cars of Penetration Asphalt, on a gallonage price of \$0.0597, representing a net delivered price of \$5,850.60.

Bids received on this material were as follows:

Emulsified Asphalt Refining Company	\$5,850.60
American Bitumuls Company	6,180.00
Shell Oil Company, Inc.	6,076.00
W. F. Pollard Company	6,220.00

SEWER EXTENSION ON CARMEL STREET.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Hudson and unanimously carried, authority was given for the extension of a sewer on Carmel Street, to serve two houses, and estimated to cost \$162.80.

EQUIPMENT FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT.

City Manager Marshall read a letter from Mr. Henry Harkey, Chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, relative to the purchase of a Dictaphone for use in the Domestic Relations Court. This purchase was to be made jointly by the City and County, at a cost of \$369.00. On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, this purchase was authorized.

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REQUEST FOR PAVING ON HUNTLEY PLACE.

A letter from Mr. T. E. Hemby was read by the City Manager, requesting the City to construct sidewalks, curbing and gutters on Huntley Place, a new street between Providence Road and Cherokee Road. After discussion Councilman Baxter made a motion that the matter be referred to a Committee, appointed by the Mayor, and a report be made to the Council at the next meeting. The Committee named was Councilman Hovis, Baxter, and City Attorney Scarborough.

REQUEST FOR FREE USE OF ARMORY BY MORGAN RECREATIONAL COUNCIL.

On motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Nance and unanimously carried, approval was given for the Morgan Recreational Council to use the Armory without cost for a dance, the proceeds to to towards a fund for a Community Center Building for use by the colored juveniles in the Cherry section of the City.

PURCHASE OF BONDS.

On motion of Councilman Nance, seconded by Councilman Hudson and unanimously carried, the City Treasurer was authorized to purchase five \$1,000.00 Mecklenburg County 4-3/4% bonds, due June 1, 1942, on 1% basis, subject to the approval of the Local Government Commission.

DISMISSAL OF FOOD INSPECTOR.

City Manager Marshall advised the Council that he had dispensed with the services of Mr. Chas. A. Clark, Food Inspector in the Health Department.

RECOMMENDATION RELATIVE TO EQUIPMENT FOR CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Mayor Douglas read a letter from Mr. P. C. Whitlock, Chairman of the Building Committee of the Memorial Hospital Association, in which he stated that the Committee had met and recommended to the City Council that contracts be let for certain equipment for the Hospital, as follows:

- Group B - to Smith-Wadsworth Hardware Company as bid at \$1,583.00, the alternate to be accepted.
- Group C - to John Van Range Company at \$1,104.28.
- Group D - to Southern Equipment Company, through Fred Casey at \$1,274.25.

That the Committee recommended to the Council the rejection of all bids in Group E and F, and new bids be called for. Also, the Committee recommended to the Council that the City make application to the P.W.A. for a grant of 45% of the excess on building construction, which is understood to amount to \$51,864.00, with the understanding that the Memorial Hospital Association undertakes to put the City in funds to the amount of 55%.

RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACTS - CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The following resolution was presented and on motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, pursuant to advertisement for bids for the furnishing of certain Kitchen Equipment, etc. for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, Charlotte, N. C., bids have been filed by the following bidders.

Smith-Wadsworth Hardware Co.	Charlotte, N. C.
Fred Casey Company	Charlotte, N. C.
Pound & Moore Company	Charlotte, N. C.
The Wright Company, Inc.	Atlanta, Ga.
The John Van Range Co.	Cincinnati, Ohio
The Southern Scale &	
Refrigeration Company	Columbia, S. C.
The S. Blickman Company	Weehawken, N. J.

And that said bids have been duly received and publicly opened and read:

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WHEREAS, Walter W. Hook, Architect, and J. B. Marshall, City Manager, have tabulated and considered all bids heretofore received for the furnishing of Kitchen Equipment for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital and have duly made recommendations to the City Council, and it appearing from said recommendations and report that the Smith-Wadsworth Hardware Company of Charlotte, N. C. is the lowest and best bidder for Section "B" in the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-two Dollars (\$1,582.00), which amount contemplates the acceptance of Alternat No. 1 under Group "B"; and that the John Van Range Company of Cincinnati, Ohio is the lowest and best bidder for Group "C" in the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Four Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$1,104.28); and that the Fred Casey Company of Charlotte, N. C. is the lowest and best bidder for Group "D" in the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents (\$1,274.25); and after considering said reports and recommendations and all bids heretofore filed, find that the above tabulated bids are the lowest and best bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, N. C. as follows:

Section 1. That the bid of the Smith-Wadsworth Hardware Company in the sum of \$1,582.00; and that the bid of the John Van Range Company in the sum of \$1,104.28; and that the bid of Fred Casey Company in the sum of \$1,274.25 be hereby accepted, determined and declared to be the lowest and best bids, and that the contract for the furnishing of said materials and equipment heretofore described in the plans and specifications and contract documents shall be executed for said installation.

Section 2. That Ben E. Douglas, Mayor, and Alice B. McConnell, City Clerk, are hereby authorized and directed to execute said contracts for and on behalf of the City of Charlotte, N. C.

RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS ON THE CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The following resolution was presented by City Manager Marshall and on motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Baxter, was unanimously adopted:

THAT WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte advertised in the Charlotte Observer on June 9 and on June 23, 1939, for bids to be opened on June 30, 1939, for certain equipment for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, the same being as follows:

- SECTION D - WOOD AND METAL FURNITURE, APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT
- SECTION E - EQUIPMENT FOR DENTAL CLINICS
- SECTION F - MATTRESSES AND PILLOWS
- SECTION G - WINDOW SHADES
- SECTION H - EMERGENCY FIRE FIGHTING APPARATUS
- SECTION J - SUNDRIES, GLASSWARE, ENAMELWARE, RUBBER GOODS
- SECTION K - TABLE AND FLOOR LAMPS
- SECTION L - TEXTILES, BLANKETS, RUGS
- SECTION M - CULINARY EQUIPMENT
- SECTION N - LABORATORY EQUIPMENT
- SECTION O - CHINA, SILVERWARE AND GLASSWARE
- SECTION P - SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS
- SECTION Q - DRAPERIES AND CURTAINS
- SECTION R - KITCHEN MACHINES
- SECTION S - LABORATORY SUPPLIES

THAT WHEREAS, the said bids were opened on June 30, 1939 according to the terms of the advertisement; and after the examination of said bids by J. B. Marshall, City Manager of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, and upon the recommendation of said City Manager that all bids given under the same be rejected, on account of it being his opinion that the said bids are too high and unreasonable.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the City Council, at the regular session on July 26, 1939, that the recommendation of the City Manager be accepted and that all bids received as hereinbefore set forth be and the same are hereby rejected and that the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized,

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empowered and directed to return all certified checks or deposits made by any bidders to the said respective bidders, notifying each respective bidder that all bids submitted for said equipment have been rejected.

HEARING OF POLICE OFFICERS BEFORE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Motion was made by Councilman Ward that the motion adopted at the last Council Meeting that the City Solicitor represent the Chief of Police at the hearings of charges against various members of the Police Department, before the Civil Service Commission, be rescinded. Motion was seconded by Councilman Nance and carried and the following vote was recorded:

AYES: Councilmen Baxter, Britt, Hovis, Hudson, Huntley,  
Nance, Ward and Wilkinson.

NAYES: Councilman Sides.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Hudson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Plogman  
Assistant City Clerk