

Special Meeting.
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The City Council met in special called session, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., Friday, June 21st. 1940, notice having been given to each and every Councilman as required by law. Mayor Ben E. Douglas presided and Councilmen Albea, Baxter, Britt, Hudson, Huntley, Nance, Sides and Ward being present.

Absent: Councilmen Hovis, Little and Wilkinson.

PETITION FROM RESIDENTS OF WESTERN PART OF CITY ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE IN SECURING BUS SERVICE.

Mr. E. L. Mayhew headed a small delegation of residents of the western part of the City, asking the Council to use its power of office to assist them in securing bus service for the Wesley Heights, Dowd Heights, Marsh Estates, Little Pittsburgh, Wilkinson Boulevard and West Morehead Street sections.

After hearing Mr. Mayhew's reasons for the need of bus service for these sections, Mayor Douglas referred the matter to the City Manager to take up with the Duke Power Company in an effort to assist these people, although the greater part of this section is outside the City.

ARMORY-AUDITORIUM GIVEN TO POLICE RETIREMENT FUND FOR BENEFIT DANCE.

On motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried, the Armory-Auditorium was reserved for the use of the Police Retirement Fund, on the night of July 26th. for a benefit dance, without cost. The funds from this dance are to be used for the Police Retirement Fund.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.

The minutes of the meeting of June 12th. were read and on motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Huntley were unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO LEASING OF THE PALMER FIRE SCHOOL BUILDING.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Baxter and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte is now the owner of a building designated as The Palmer Fire School, which is used for the purpose of Fire Department schools, and

WHEREAS, the said building is admirably suited for the purposes of leasing the same for various kinds of functions, and

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WHEREAS, in the basement of said building there is equipment that is to be used for the purpose of dispensing cold drinks and other items.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte at special session:

That the said building may be leased to private individuals, firms or corporations for various functions at the rate of \$35.00 per day and provided that the same be recommended for each and every lease by the Chief of the Fire Department and the City Manager and in no instance shall the same be leased, except upon the said charge of \$35.00 per day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fire Department of the City of Charlotte be given exclusive concession rights for the purpose of selling cold drinks and other articles of merchandise and that any profits from said concession might be used by the Fireman's Fund of the City of Charlotte for charitable purposes.

That any monies received from rent for the use of said building shall be payable unto the City Treasurer of the City of Charlotte.

This the 21st. day of June, 1940.

APPLICATION TO BE FILED WITH U. S. OF AMERICA FOR GRANT TO AID IN FINANCING CONSTRUCTION OF TWO WINGS TO NURSES HOME, CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, DOCKET NC-1412-F.

The following Resolution was introduced and on motion of Councilman Hudson, seconded by Councilman Britt, was unanimously adopted:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THROUGH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR A GRANT TO AID IN FINANCING THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO WINGS TO THE NURSES HOME OF THE CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (DOCKET NO. NC 1412-F) AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE ORIGINAL PLANS.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council:

Section 1: That James W. Armstrong, City Manager, or Mayor Ben E. Douglas, be and they are authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Charlotte to the United States of America for a grant to aid in financing the construction of Two Wings to the Nurses Home of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital (Docket No. NC-1412-F) as contemplated in the original plans.

Section 2: That the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, be hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the United States of America, through the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, may reasonably request in connection with the application which is herein authorized to be filed.

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RESOLUTION ACCEPTING ALL CONTRACTS AS COMPLETED ON THE CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PROJECT (DOCKET NO. NC-1412-F), AS REQUESTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION.

The City Manager introduced a resolution authorizing him, as City Manager, to accept the contracts now completed on the Charlotte Memorial Hospital project, which resolution is in accordance with request of the Public Works Administration.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Albea, this resolution was unanimously adopted as follows:

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WHEREAS, work upon the Charlotte Memorial Hospital has been completed or about to be completed by various contractors, and that it is necessary that the work of said contractors be accepted by the City of Charlotte, in order that the various contracting parties may be released under the terms of the contract, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that such work done by the various contractors be accepted in order that the said contractors may receive their compensation for the work so done and that copies of acceptance of said contracts be forwarded to the Public Works Administration, in compliance with the terms of grant to the City of Charlotte for construction of said Hospital, and

WHEREAS, the City Council, on this the 21st. day of June 1940, have met in special session, after having been duly notified of said Special Meeting in conformity to the provisions of the Charter.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council at Special Session as aforesaid, that James W. Armstrong, as Manager of the City of Charlotte, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to accept the contracts of the various contractors for and in behalf of the City of Charlotte in as full and ample manner as though each separate contract was duly accepted by resolution of the Council in each and every instance and this authority extends to such contracts as may have already been completed and those yet to be completed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Alice B. McConnell, City Clerk of the City of Charlotte, forward four certified copies of this Resolution to the Regional Office of the Public Works Administration in accordance with the request of said office.

RESIGNATION OF MR. THOMAS GRIFFITH AS CHAIRMAN AND MEMBER OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Mayor Douglas presented to the Council a letter from Mr. Thomas Griffith, tendering his resignation as a member of the Civil Service Commission of the City of Charlotte and extending his appreciation to this Board for having elected him to that position.

On motion of Councilman Nance, seconded by Councilman Sides and carried, this resignation was accepted.

APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TO MR. GRIFFITH ON CIVIL SERVICE BOARD.

The Mayor announced that this resignation would leave a vacancy on the Board, and Councilman Hudson nominated Mr. W. C. Davis to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Griffith on the Civil Service Commission. This motion was seconded by Councilman Nance, and there being no further nominations, a vote was taken on this motion and Mr. Davis was declared unanimously elected to fill out this unexpired term.

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REQUEST TO WIDEN BRIDGE ON DOWD ROAD REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE AND CITY MANAGER.

Mayor Douglas presented a letter from Mr. I. D. Blumenthal, of the Radiator Special Company located on the Dowd Road, and from Mr. Wm. A. Schreiber, Agent for the Road Express, Inc., also located on the Dowd Road, asking the City to widen the bridge across Irwin Creek on the Dowd Road.

The Engineering Department estimated the cost of widening this bridge at \$8,288.50.

After discussion, Councilman Sides moved that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee and the City Manager for handling. Motion seconded by Councilman Nance and carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO REGULATE TRAILER CAMPS TO BE STUDIED FOR ONE WEEK.

An ordinance proposing to regulate and govern the conduct and maintenance of trailer camps (parks) and parking and maintenance of automobile trailers in the City of Charlotte, N. C., was introduced and discussed. Councilman Huntley moved its adoption, which was seconded by Councilman Albea, but Councilman Nance offered a substitute motion that the ordinance be held over for one week and that each Councilman be furnished a copy of same in order to study it. This motion seconded by Councilman Ward and carried.

The Clerk was instructed to furnish copies of this ordinance to each member of the Council.

TENTATIVE TAX RATE SET AT \$1.48.

Councilman Baxter made a motion that the tentative tax rate for the fiscal year 1940-41 be set at \$1.48, which was seconded by Councilman Huntley and unanimously carried.

CEMETERY DEEDS.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Ward, the following cemetery deeds and agreements were approved:

Mrs. Eva Horner Bell, Lot No. 17 G-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery	\$120.40
Perpetual care on " "	86.00
Mrs. Myrtle Beardsey, North Half Lot 57, "X", Elmwood	62.65
Perpetual care on " " "	54.85

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Albea, the meeting adjourned.

Alice B. McConnell
City Clerk