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The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Baxter at 4 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, July 7, 1943, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, with Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Baker, Bullard, Cope, Daughtry, Hovis, Painter, Price, Slye and Ward being present.

Absent: None.

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On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Painter, the minutes of the meeting of June 30th., were approved as read.

COMMUNITY CHEST APPROPRIATION TO BE MADE IN BUDGET.

At the request of Mr. Fred Huffman, of the Community Chest, and on motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Bullard and carried, after considerable discussion, \$600.00 is to be placed in the budget for the fiscal year 1943-44 for the Community Chest, to be used for the purposes outlined by Mr. Huffman, namely to be used in its entirety for the Social Service Exchange.

DISCUSSION ON BEER BAN ORDINANCE AND POSTPONEMENT OF ACTION FOR ONE WEEK.

Colonel Wheeler, in charge of Military Personnel in the city of Charlotte, submitted a letter to the Mayor and Council, and appeared in person at this meeting, relative to requesting adoption of an ordinance to regulate the closing hours for the sale of beer and/or wine in Charlotte. In this letter he asked that no beer and/or wine be sold or offered for sale within the corporate limits of the City of Charlotte from the hour of 11:30 P.M. each Saturday until 7 A.M. on the following Monday, and from 11:30 P.M. each week day until 7 A.M. the following morning.

A lengthy discussion was held with Col. Wheeler on this request, a number of the Councilmen taking the floor from time to time. Mr. Robert Lassiter, appearing only as a citizen interested in the welfare of Charlotte, opposed the adoption of such an ordinance, stating that the discipline of soldiers is not the problem of the City of Charlotte, but of the Military authorities.

Each Councilman had previously been furnished with a copy of a proposed ordinance prepared by the City Attorneys banning the sale of beer and/or wine from 11:30 P.M. on Saturdays until 7 A.M. on the following Monday morning, but on motion of Councilman Baker, duly seconded by Councilman Price and carried on eight affirmative votes, action on the ordinance was deferred for one week.

DOG LEASH ORDINANCE NOT ADOPTED.

Mr. E. A. Voss, President of the Mecklenburg Sportsmen's Wild Life Club, appeared with a small delegation, in protest of the adoption of the dog leash ordinance passed at the last meeting on two readings and up for third reading at this time, and asked for enforcement and support of the dog laws now in force. Mr. Burton Smith and Mr. Tom Revelle, both members of the Wild Life Club, also spoke in protest of the adoption of the dog leash ordinance; Mr. Smith filing a written protest with the Clerk as a matter of record.

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Mr. L. E. Elliott and Mrs. Carroll Wright, of the Mecklenburg Humane Society, were present, and after Councilman Price had stated that the ordinance presented last week on two readings did not repeal the muzzle law now in effect but only called for the leash law in addition thereto, these two members of the Humane Society explained that while the ordinance, as stated by Mr. Price did not repeal the law now on the books, it was their original intention that it be repealed.

A letter from Post No. 545, National Association of Letter Carriers, Mr. S. R. Parnell, President, asking for the adoption of the lease law, was presented by Mayor Baxter at this time.

After discussion, the Clerk again read the ordinance as adopted on two readings on June 30th., and Councilman Bullard moved that the ordinance be placed on third and final reading, which motion was seconded by Councilman Price.

Councilman Ward offered a substitute motion that the ordinance now in effect be studied by the Council to ascertain whether it will take care of the situation and that if the ordinance is not being properly enforced by the proper authorities, that the Council determine the reason why it is not and see that it be enforced. This motion was seconded by Councilman Slye, and carried unanimously.

#### ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR TO ATTEND MEETING IN RALEIGH.

On motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Painter and carried, the Council appropriated the sum of \$30.00 from the Emergency Fund to defray expenses of the Electrical Inspector, Mr. P. F. McGuirt, to Raleigh to attend an electrical meeting.

#### WORK ORDER ON McNINCH STREET SEWER INCREASED.

On motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Slye and carried, the work order on the McNinch Street sewer was increased by \$889.43, funds to be appropriated from Account 1621-G-19.

#### SPECIAL OFFICER FOR SELWYN HOTEL.

On motion of Councilman Slye, seconded by Councilman Baker, and carried, A. F. Brymer was appointed a Special Officer on the premises of the Selwyn Hotel.

#### 1942 DELINQUENT TAXES TO BE ADVERTISED.

Councilman Baker moved that authority be given to the Collector of Revenue to proceed with the compiling of necessary information for advertising 1942 delinquent real property tax, as the law provides that the City shall sell same on the second Monday in September. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye and unanimously carried.

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RESOLUTION RELIEVING WILLIAM A. WHITE OF HIS DUTIES AS COLLECTOR OF REVENUE AND APPOINTING CAMPBELL W. ANSLEY AS COLLECTOR OF REVENUE IN HIS STEAD.

The following resolution was presented by Councilman Atkins, who moved its adoption, which was seconded by Councilman Baker and unanimously carried:

RESOLVED that the employment of William A. White as Collector of Revenue be, and it hereby is, terminated effective midnight, July 14, 1943.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Campbell W. Ansley be, and he is, appointed Collector of Revenue, effective midnight, July 14, 1943, at a salary of \$325.00 per month, and the said Ansley before entering upon the performance of his duties as Collector of Revenue shall give bond in the sum of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars for the faithful performance of his duties, for a proper accounting of all funds coming into his hands by virtue of his office, or coming into his possession in connection therewith for which he may be responsible, said bond to be renewed annually and, in all respects, to conform to the requirements of law.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

C. W. Tillett  
City Attorney.

ACTION ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO REGULATE AND CONTROL DRIVERS AND OPERATORS OF TAXICABS AND TO TAX VEHICLES USED AS TAXICABS, POSTPONED FOR ONE WEEK.

Copies of a proposed ordinance to regulate and control drivers and operators of taxicabs and to tax vehicles used as taxicabs, which had been prepared by the City Attorneys at the request of the Office of Defense Transportation, having been furnished to the Council, on motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Ward and carried, action was deferred on same until the next regular meeting of the Council.

#### CEMETERY DEEDS.

The following cemetery deeds and perpetual care agreements were authorized to be issued, on motion made by Councilman Albea, duly seconded by Councilman Painter and carried:

Mrs. Lizzie Wrenn, Lot No. 398, Section "Y", Elmwood Cemetery	\$35.00
Mrs. O. D. Collins, " " 43, " "Z" " "	31.50
H. W. Glasgow & Wife, Mary J. Glasgow, E 1/2 Lot #48, A-Annex	84.70
Perpetual care on same	60.50
Glyde M. Evans & Wife, Ethel A. Evans, W 1/2 Lot #48, A-Annex	84.70
Perpetual care on same	60.50
Dr. R. H. Lafferty, Admn., perpetual care on Lot #6, Section "BB"	144.00

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COUNCIL TO MEET AND STUDY BUDGET AS PRESENTED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE.

Councilman Slye, Chairman of the Budget Committee, reported that his committee had completed work on the budget and was ready to have same studied by the entire Council before adoption.

After some discussion, Councilman Baker recommended that a special day be named for the general meeting of the Council in some hotel or diningroom, to go over the budget with the committee, as has been the custom heretofore. It was finally decided that the Manager would arrange for this meeting at the Barringer Hotel, either on Monday or Wednesday of the next week.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, on motion of Councilman Albea same was adjourned.

  
City Clerk