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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, November 10, 1943, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Atkins, Baker, Bullard, Cope, Daughtry, Hovis, Painter, Price, Slye and Albea being present.

Absent: Councilman Ward.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Daughtry the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING ON OCTOBER 13, 1943, APPROVED.

The minutes of the Joint Meeting of the City Council and Mecklenburg County Commissioners were read, and upon motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Atkins, were approved as read.

ARMISTICE DAY HOLIDAY GRANTED.

Upon motion of Councilman Daughtry, seconded by Councilman Baker, a holiday was granted city employees on November 11th in observance of Armistice Day.

BIDS SUBMITTED ON GASOLINE AND OIL, AND CONTRACT AWARDED AMERICAN OIL COMPANY FOR GASOLINE.

The City Manager read the bids received on November 9th on an estimated 10 months supply of gasoline, motor oil, gear oil and chassis lubricant. Councilman Daughtry moved that contract be awarded The American Oil Company on all items. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter. After a discussion Councilman Price made a substitute motion that City Manager Flack, Mr. John Barbee, Supt. Motor Transport Dept., or whoever will use the oil, make a definite recommendation as to the merits of the oil desired and submit same to Council. Motion lost for lack of a second. A vote was then taken on the original motion as follows: AYE: Councilmen Atkins, Baker, Cope, Daughtry and Painter. NAY: Councilmen Albea, Hovis, Price and Slye. Councilman Baker then moved that the contract for the oil be awarded at a later date, and that contract for gasoline be awarded The American Oil Company as follows:

20,000 gallons, truck delivery to specified locations,  
at .1810 per gallon, total delivered price \$3,620.00.

165,000 gallons, bulk delivery by tank pumper truck,  
at .1614 per gallon, total delivered price \$26,631.00.

15,000 gallons, high octane, at .2010 per gallon, total  
delivered price \$3,015.00.

Motion seconded by Councilman Painter and unanimously carried.

PURCHASE OF GUTTER BROOM STEEL.

Upon motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilman Atkins, purchase was authorized from Keystone Brush Company, New York City, of 1,000 pounds of gutter broom steel at .17½ cents per pound, at a net delivered price of \$172.50.

PAYMENT APPROVED TO PURITY CAFE FOR PRISONERS MEALS.

Councilman Price moved that payment to Purity Cafe be authorized in the amount of \$107.40 for 537 meals for prisoners in the City Jail from October 16th through October 31st, 1943. Motion seconded by Councilman Atkins and unanimously approved.

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVENUE ORDINANCE ADOPTED JUNE 2, 1943, PROVIDING FOR A REFUND TO LICENSE HOLDERS ENTERING THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

Upon motion of Councilman Slye, seconded by Councilman Hovis, the following ordinance was unanimously adopted:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, N. C.:

Section 1. That the Revenue Ordinance adopted June 2, 1943, be, and the same is, amended by adding between Section 15 and Section 16 a new section, as follows: "Section 15(a). Any holder of a license, in accordance with this ordinance, who enters the Armed Forces of the United States and, as a result thereof, the operation of the business for which the license was issued ceases and terminates and who, within thirty days after his induction into such Armed Forces, makes an application to the Collector of Revenue of the City of Charlotte for same, shall be entitled to a return of the license fee in proportion to the number of full months remaining in the license period."

Section 2. That all ordinances, and clauses of ordinances, in conflict with this ordinance, are hereby amended so as to allow the foregoing, but in other respects shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. That this ordinance be, and become, in full force and effect upon its adoption by the City Council.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

H. B. Campbell,  
City Attorney

RESOLUTION WITH REGARD TO PURCHASE OF TAR FROM THE BARRETT DIVISION, ALLIED CHEMICAL AND DYE CORPORATION.

Councilman Baker moved the adoption of the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Price and unanimously carried:

WHEREAS, under date of August 25, 1943, the City entered into a contract with the Barrett Division, Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation, after due advertisement, and in accordance with law, for an estimated quantity of tar, namely, 66,000 gallons, for a total price of \$7,108.20; and

WHEREAS, when said tar was delivered in tank car quantities, there were 66,594 gallons rather than 66,000 gallons, and the total price thereof on a unit price basis was \$7,172.18 rather than \$7,108.20;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchase of said excess quantity at an additional expense of \$63.98 be, and the same hereby is, approved and the City Treasurer and Municipal Accountant be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to pay said additional cost.

CONTRACT APPROVED WITH H. V. JOHNSON & SON FOR COAL.

The City Manager reported the purchase of 2.65 tons of coal from H. V. Johnson & Son at a price of \$21.87.

The Manager requested that a contract be approved with H. V. Johnson & Son for 317.1815 tons of coal, at a total delivered price of \$2,431.14. All of said coal having been received, and purchases of same being heretofore reported to Council as per resolution adopted on September 29, 1943. Councilman Slye moved that contract be approved. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED THE PITOMETER COMPANY FOR WATER WASTE SURVEY.

The City Manager requested approval of a pitometer survey of water lines in Districts 5 and 6, as indicated on a Water Department map, which is that section of the city not covered by the survey made in 1942. Councilman Saye moved that contract for same be awarded The Pitometer Company of New York City, at a total cost of \$3,000.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Hovis and unanimously carried.

REPORT MADE BY CITY MANAGER ON EMPLOYMENT STABILIZATION OF CITY EMPLOYEES.

The City Manager reported that the City's informal agreement with the War Man-power Commission not to hire workers from war industries and to grant releases on request to city workers, was no longer valid under a Federal ruling, and that, unless the Council wished to establish contractual arrangements, industries could hire city employees without a formal release, and the City could hire industrial workers under the same principle. After discussion, the Mayor stated the report would be received as information.

CEMETERY DEEDS APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Hovis, seconded by Councilmen Painter, deeds for lots in Elmwood Cemetery were approved for transfer as follows:

To Sam J. Dutton and wife, Elizabeth R. Dutton, Lot No. 187, in Section "Y", at \$63.00.  
To T. F. Mulligan and Family, Lot 88, in Section "W", at \$70.00.  
Transfer to E. B. Graham, Jr. and Melle Beard Graham, from Mrs. Ella May L. Hutchins, Lot No. 140, in Section "T", at \$200.00.  
Perpetual Care Deed to Mrs. Mary G. Rey Smith, Admx. and Mrs. L. N. Glenn, on Lot. No. 30, in Section "E", at \$144.00.  
Perpetual Care Deed to Peter and Alice Pappas, on South Half Lot 20, in Section "BB", at \$45.00.  
Perpetual Care Deed to T. F. Mulligan and Family, on South Half Lot No. 88, in Section "W", at \$60.00.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Daughtry, duly seconded by Councilman Hovis, the meeting adjourned.