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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, September 22, 1943, at 4 o'clock P. M., with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Baker, Bullard, Cope, Daughtry, Hovis, Painter, Price, Slye and Ward being present.

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

CONTRACT AWARDED THE STANDARDLIME & STONE COMPANY FOR LIME.

Upon motion of Councilman Slye, seconded by Councilman Baker, and carried, contract was awarded The Standard Lime & Stone Company for two cars (approximately 70 tons) of chemical hydrated lime, at a net delivered price of \$821.80.

PURCHASE OF FILE CABINET FOR WATER DEPARTMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Painter and carried, purchase of an 8-drawer File Cabinet for record cards was authorized from Pound & Moore Company, at a net delivered price of \$112.20.

CONTRACT AWARDED THE DUKE POWER COMPANY FOR DUST LAYING MATERIAL.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Daughtry and carried, that contract be entered into with The Duke Power Company for 16,000 gallons of dust laying material, at .06¢ per gallon, the total amount of the contract being \$960.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED CAROLINA CONCRETE PIPE COMPANY.

Councilman Ward moved that contract be authorized with the Carolina Concrete Pipe Company for 108-feet of reinforced 30-inch concrete pipe at \$2.25 per foot, less 5%, at a net price of \$231.12, f.o.b. their Charlotte plant. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea and carried.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY FOR FORTY-FIVE CHAIRS.

Councilman Slye moved that contract be awarded The Southern Desk Company, Hickory, N.C., for 45 chairs for the Police Department, to be used in connection with the Police School, at a net delivered price of \$234.00. Motion seconded by Councilman Cope and carried.

CONTRACTS WITH MARTIN'S DEPARTMENT STORE AND ELLIOTT & FINK FOR UNIFORMS FOR POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, duly seconded by Councilman Hovis, and carried, contract was awarded Martin's Department Store for 138 coats, 135 vests and 276 pairs of trousers for the Fire Department, at a total price of \$4,681.95. Also, contract was awarded Elliott & Fink for 28 overcoats for the Police Department, at a total price of \$1,081.08.

CONTRACT AWARDED ATKINSON-NORFLEET, INCORPORATED, FOR FIVE AUTOMOBILES.

Councilman Albea moved that contract be awarded Atkinson-Norfleet, Inc., for five 2-door sedan automobiles for the Police Department, at a net delivered price of \$5,911.26. Motion seconded by Councilman Painter and unanimously carried.

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DR. J. S. N. TROSS SPEAKS TO COUNCIL ON STATUS OF SPECIAL PEACE OFFICERS.

Dr. J. S. N. Tross spoke briefly regarding the status of the four negro Special Peace Officers. He suggested that in his opinion it would be wise to have a committee appointed to make a survey of conditions among the negro race in Charlotte, similar to the survey made a year or so ago. He stated that it was his opinion that the negro Special Peace Officers now serving in the Police Department would prove more efficient if their status was made permanent rather than their being appointed for a year's period of time. Councilman Hovis stated that the City Charter provided that special officers only be appointed for a one year period, with the Council having the privilege of renewing said appointment.

RECESS TAKEN AT 4:30 P.M. - RECONVENED AT 5:15 P.M.

The City Manager stated that he wished to discuss several matters with the Council at this time, and upon motion of Councilman Albea seconded by Councilman Atkins, and carried, the meeting was recessed at 4:30 o'clock P.M., and reconvened at 5:15 P.M.

LIST OF NOMINEES FOR BOARD OF HEALTH.

The City Manager presented each Councilman with a list of the nominees as submitted from which the members of the Board of Health are to be selected. He expressed the desire that the Council be ready to vote on the members at the next meeting of the Council.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO TAKE UP MATTER OF SET-BACK LINES WITH THE CITY ATTORNEYS.

Councilman Price requested the City Manager to take up the matter of the City establishing set-back lines with the City Attorneys and advise the Council of their opinion at it's next meeting.

TRAFFIC DIVISION AUTHORIZED TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES IN TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

Councilman Ward moved that the Traffic Division be authorized to (1) Prohibit right turns on all red lights; (2) To replace "caution" stop signs and "stop" signs where required, and (3) That traffic signals be operated full time if operated at all. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye and unanimously carried.

ATTORNEYS DIRECTED TO PREPARE ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRAFFIC CODE.

Councilman Ward moved that the City Attorneys be directed to prepare an ordinance amending the Traffic Code and incorporating therein suggested changes made by a committee to study the situation. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye and carried.

CAPTAIN HENKLE AND CHIEF SAFETY INSPECTOR SKINNER AUTHORIZED TO ATTEND CONVENTION OF NATIONAL SAFETY CONGRESS.

The City Manager advised the Council of the Convention of National Safety Congress to be held in Chicago October 5th through 7th. Without recommendation from the Manager or Chief of Police, the Council unanimously voted to permit Captain Henkle and Chief Safety Inspector Skinner to attend the Convention, and that their expenses be paid from the Emergency Fund. This on motion of Councilman Slye, duly seconded by Councilman Price.

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SUNDAY CLOSING ORDINANCE PASSED BY COUNCIL.

Mr. H. H. Everett introduced Chaplain Scott of Morris Field who spoke briefly urging that bowling alleys be permitted to remain open a portion of each Sunday for the use of men in the armed forces. Mr. Everett stated that the ordinance previously requested passed by the Council had been revised. City Attorney Campbell then read the following proposed ordinance:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE:

Section 1: That the amendment which was adopted June 4, 1941 to the ordinance of July 24, 1935 as same had been previously amended by the ordinance adopted June 8, 1937, entitled: "An Ordinance to Prohibit the Performance and Operation of Certain Business and Commercial Sports and Amusements on Sunday" and as said ordinance was affected by the ordinance adopted February 11, 1942, adopting War Time be, and the same is, amended by adding at the end of the proviso which was adopted June 4, 1941 the following words:

"provided further, that nothing contained in this ordinance shall render it illegal, on Sunday, between the aforesaid hours, for bowling alleys which are more than 150 feet from a church to be operated for use by members of the armed forces of the United States and of the nations allied or associated with it in the present war, in uniform, and their lady companions, and no others, regardless of whether or not a fee is charged for admission to the same or for participation in the amusement, game or sport of bowling carried on therein, and such operations are hereby declared to be legal; provided further, that no bowling alley shall be operated hereunder if same is located within the same room with a pool table or tables and/or billiard table or tables or the means of entrance is through a room where there is a pool-table or tables and/or billiard table or tables."

Section 2: That all ordinances and clauses of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3: This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council.

Section 4: The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and cause the same to be published.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

H. B. Campbell
City Attorney

Councilman Slye moved the passage of the foregoing ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilman Ward and carried on its first and final reading, with the vote recorded as follows:

AYE: Councilmen Atkins, Baker, Bullard, Daughtry, Hovis,
Price, Slye and Ward.
NAY: Councilmen Albea, Cope and Painter.

The Mayor declared it to be an ordinance of the City of Charlotte.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT RENEWED.

Upon motion of Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Slye, the Special Officer Permit of Albert Hunnicutt was renewed for one

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year, for service on the premises of property under the supervision of the Charlotte Park and Recreation Commission.

CEMETERY DEED AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Ward, duly seconded by Councilman Painter and carried, deed was authorized issued to T. J. Lingle, for Lot No. 63, in Section "Z", Elmwood Cemetery, price of said lot being \$31.50.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Ward, the meeting adjourned.

Lillian R. Hayman
City Clerk