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A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, August 6, 1946, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Childs, McIntyre, Newson and Puette present.

Absent: Councilmen Hinson, Johnston and White.

#### INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Newson.

#### MINUTES APPROVED WITH CORRECTION.

Councilman Puette requested that the minutes of the last meeting be corrected with regard to the employment of Mr. E. J. Hanson to represent the city in negotiating with the U. S. Government for the acquisition of land and properties at Morris Field Airport to show that the maximum salary and expenses be \$1,500.00. Councilman McIntyre moved that the minutes be approved with the requested correction. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

#### REPORT ON INSURANCE ON AIRPORT PROPERTIES.

Councilman Newson reported for the Committee appointed to recommend on insurance on Morris Field Airport properties. He stated the Committee went over the valuations placed on the properties with insurance representatives and it was decided that both fire and wind storm insurance should be carried. That the amount of the insurance will be \$725,600.00. That the approximate cost will be \$11,000.00 per annum. That the first premium can be paid from the General Fund and thereafter from the Airport Budget. He further stated that Lessors engaged in a type business that will increase the insurance rate above the base rate will be required to pay their pro rata share of the insurance so increased. He advised that the insurance is bound and policies will be issued and will be reported to the Council.

#### HEARING HELD ON PETITION OF A. B. SCHNEDL TO WAIVE SETBACK LINE REQUIREMENT.

Mr. A. B. Schnedl personally requested that his petition be granted to waive the setback line requirement at the intersection of Alexander and Fifth Streets, on which property he proposed to construct a one story building. He advised the land was purchased a year ago for this purpose.

Mayor Baxter stated the Council would consider the request and a decision would be rendered at the next Council Meeting.

#### BILL FOR TELEPHONE CALLS AND TELEGRAMS SUBMITTED BY MAYOR AUTHORIZED PAID.

Motion was made by Councilman Childs that payment of \$174.96 be authorized from the Emergency Fund to cover bill submitted by the Mayor for telephone calls and telegrams for period January 1945 to July 1, 1946. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

#### FUNDS AUTHORIZED TRANSFERRED TO SANITATION DIVISION FOR EXPANSION OF INSPECTION FACILITIES.

The City Manager recommended that inspection facilities be expanded in the Health Department to search out factors tending to propagate flies, mosquitoes and rats, and that \$6,000.00 be transferred from the

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Venereal Disease Drug fund to the Sanitation Division for this purpose. Councilman Puette moved that the Manager's recommendation be approved and \$6,000.00 be transferred as requested. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

RE-ASSESSMENT ORDINANCE - CLAYTON DRIVE.

On motion of Councilman McIntyre, seconded by Councilman Childs, the following re-assessment ordinance was unanimously adopted:

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

Section 1. C. V. Gannaway and William A. Sanford having filed a petition requesting the re-assessment of the paving assessments affecting their property abutting on Clayton Drive, it is hereby ordained that the Collector of Revenue of the City of Charlotte shall re-assess the 157 feet, originally assessed 67 feet against Gannaway and 90 feet against Sanford, as follows:

<u>St. No.</u>	<u>Name of Owner</u>	<u>Frontage</u>	<u>Curb &amp; Gutter</u>	<u>Walk</u>	<u>Total</u>
1524-28	C. V. Gannaway and wife Frances M. Gannaway	72	\$201.64	\$90.71	\$313.12
1516-22	William A. Sanford and wife, Ruby L. Sanford	85	238.05	109.74 20.77	368.56

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption.

PAYMENT OF SALARIES AUTHORIZED NINE MEN REMOVED FROM CITY SERVICE UNDER RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND LATER REINSTATED.

The City Manager advised the Local Governmental Employees Retirement System has approved the retention in service of the city of the nine men who reached the age of 70 years prior to July 1, 1946, and who were automatically removed from said service on that date. He recommended that salaries be paid these men from July 1, 1946 to the date of their reinstatement. Councilman Childs moved that the recommendation be approved and complied with. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT FORSEWER MAIN CONSTRUCTION IN SUNSET DRIVE AUTHORIZED WITH S.A. LASLIE.

Councilman Puette moved that contract be authorized with S. A. Laslie for sanitary sewer construction in Sunset Drive, at an estimated cost of \$982.30, under the usual form and conditions. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER IN MAGNOLIA AVENUE AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Puette moved that construction of a sanitary sewer by the city in Magnolia Avenue, from Winthrop Avenue 405 feet towards Lynhurst Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$517.00, be approved. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

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CONTRACT FOR STREET FLUSHER AWARDED WHITE MOTOR COMPANY.

Councilman Newson moved that a contract be awarded The White Motor Company for one street flusher complete, at a net delivered price of \$6,170.00, as recommended by the City Manager. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACTS AND PURCHASES AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Puette moved that the following contracts and purchases be authorized and funds be appropriated for same if necessary:

- (a) Purchase of 22,500 letterheads and 21,500 mimeograph letterheads for ten city departments, from Dixie Tag and Envelope Company, at a price of \$115.28.
- (b) Contract with Carolina Concrete Pipe Company for 258 feet of 18 inch concrete pipe, at a price of \$258.00, for the Engineering Department.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT GIVEN CITY MANAGER TO PRESENT ITEMS NOT ON DOCKET.

Upon motion of Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Puette, the City Manager was given the unanimous consent of Council to present the following items not included in the Docket of business.

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO PUTTING SIX NEGRO SPECIAL PEACE OFFICERS UNDER CIVIL SERVICE.

Councilman Childs moved the adoption of the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION  
WITH RESPECT TO SIX SPECIAL  
COLORED PEACE OFFICERS.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte:

That in view of the fact that six special colored Peace Officers were employed by the City Council of the City of Charlotte for a temporary period at the discretion of the Council, the Council suggests to the Civil Service Commission of the City of Charlotte that such six Special Colored Temporary Peace Officers be put on the permanent Civil Service Eligibility List under the rules of the Civil Service Commission.

REQUEST OF SCHOOL BOARD FOR EASEMENT THROUGH SCHOOL PROPERTY REFERRED TO APPRAISAL COMMITTEE.

The City Manager presented a letter from the Board of School Commissioners requesting the City to deed a 20 foot easement through Biddleville School property as an addition to the existing alley-way, to be made a part of the purchase price of a lot adjacent to the said School, which the Commissioners wish to purchase. Mayor Baxter referred the matter to the Appraisal Committee for recommendation.

PETITION TO WAIVE SETBACK ORDINANCE REQUIREMENT FILED BY TILLET AND CAMPBELL, ATTORNEYS, FOR STRAND THEATRE, INC.

The City Manager advised that a petition has been filed by Tillet & Campbell, Attorneys, on behalf of Strand Theatre, Inc., requesting that the Set-back Ordinance requirements be waived for the construction of a theatre building at the intersection of South Tryon and West Second Streets.

Councilman Newson moved that a hearing on the matter be held at the next Council Meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

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OVER-RUN IN CONTRACT WITH INTERSTATE CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO OAKLAWN AVENUE AUTHORIZED PAID.

The City Manager advised that the estimated cost of contract with the Interstate Construction Company, dated April 9, 1946, for improvements to Oaklawn Avenue, had over-run by \$27.78. He recommended payment of the over-run without additional contract. Councilman Childs moved that the recommendation be approved and payment of the over-run be made. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

ORDINANCE RESTRICTING USE OF AIRPORT AND/OR MORRIS FIELD RUNWAYS, ETC.

An ordinance entitled, "AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING THE USE OF MORRIS FIELD AND/OR DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT" was presented and read. Motion was made by Councilman Childs that the ordinance be adopted as read. Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried. Ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 9, at Page 399.

DEEDS FOR PERPETUAL CARE ON CEMETERY LOTS APPROVED.

Councilman McIntyre moved that the following deeds for perpetual care on cemetery lots be executed by the Mayor and City Clerk. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried:

Perpetual Care Deed, Mrs. Sallie H. Edminston, south-half Lot 41-Fraction, Section A, Elmwood Cemetery, \$86.25.

Perpetual Care Deed, E. D. Campbell, Adm. Estate of W. W. Bays, Deceased, Lot 26, Section 1, Elmwood Cemetery, \$110.00.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Puette, seconded by Councilman Newson, the meeting was adjourned.

*Lillian R. Hoffman*  
City Clerk