A regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, October 20, 1948, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Childs, DeLaney, Jordan, McKee and White present.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, secondedby Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting, on October 13th, were approved as submitted.

CONTRACT WITH STATE BOARD OF HEALTH COVERING PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIVITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 1948 to JUNE 30, 1949.

Motion was made by Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman DeLaney, and unanimously carried, authorizing contract with the North Carolina State Board of Health covering public health activities in the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1948 and ending June 30, 1949.

PAYMENT FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR SUGAW CREEK OUTFALL TO MRS CAROLYN HAMMOND BROOKS.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, payment for right-of-way for Sugaw Creek Outfall in the amount of \$350.00 was authorized to Mrs. Carolyn Hammond Brooks.

SIXTH STREET ALLEY AND SURRY'S ALLEY RENAMED "EAST SIXTH STREET COURT".

Councilman McKee moved that the alley known as "Sixth Street Alley and Surry's Alley" be renamed "East Sixth Street Court" as requested by Mr. W. H. Hobbs, owner of property bordering each side of said alley. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT WITH M AND C CORPORATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAIN IN NORTH DAVIDSON STREET.

Motion was made by Councilman Childs, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, authorizing contract with M and C Corporation, Elwood W. Sachsenmaier, President, for the construction of 397 feet of water main in North Davidson Street, between 25th and 26th Streets, at an estimated cost of \$1,230.00. The applicant to bear all costs and the City to maintain and operate the lines for the revenue produced.

MAYOR PRO TEM ASSUMES MAYOR'S CHAIR.

Mayor Baxter left the meeting at this time, and Mayor pro tem Childs took the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

CONTRACTS FOR PURCHASES.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman DeLaney, and unanimously carried, authorizing contracts for the following purchases, and the allocation of funds therefor, if necessary:

(a) Contract with Crane Company, Charlotte, for parts for repairing and reconditioning water valves, at a delivered price of \$410.34.

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- (b) Contract with J. T. Love Machine Company, Charlotte, for labor and materials in connection with emergency repairs to the Sewer Pump at Sugaw Creek Disposal Plant, at a cost of \$465.49.
- (c) Contract with North Carolina Equipment Company, Charlotte, for Two Elevator Belt Assemblies for the Elgin Sweeper, at a net delivered price of \$740.00.
- (d) Contract with The Dorr Company, Inc., New York, for 276-ft of Chain for repairing and reconditioning the Dorr Flucculator at Vest Station, at a net delivered price of \$734.15.
- (e) Contract with Grinnell Company, Charlotte, for Valve repair parts, at a price of \$227.20 f.o.b. shipping point,
- (f) Contract with Pomona Terra Cotta Company, Pomona, N. C., for 2400-feet of Pipe for the Engineering Department, at a price of \$989.40.
- (g) Contract with Economy Printing Company, Charlotte, for 10,000 Voucher Checks, ata net delivered price of \$300.00, for the Accounting Department.
- (h) Contract with Mueller Company, Decatur, Ill., for 450 Plugs and Corporation Stops, at a price of \$879.00, for the Water Department.

LEASE RENEWALS ON AIRPORT BUILDINGS.

The City Manager reported that renewal leases had been concluded for the following buildings at Douglas Municipal Airport:

BUILDING NO. LESSEE		MONTHLY RENTAL	DATE AND TERM OF LEASE	
316	Delph Hardware Company	\$20.00	10-1-48	l year
259	Shipes & Son	\$35.00	9-1-48	l year
52	Airport Washerette	\$25.00	10-1-48	5 years

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT GRANTED JAMES GORDON HALL.

Upon motion of Councilman DeLaney, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, a Special Officer Permit was granted James Gordon Hall, Matthews, Route #1, for use on the premises of Marsh Realty Company, at Poindexter and South Boulevard construction site.

CEMETERY DEED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a deed for the transfer of a cemetery lot with Mrs. Carrie Kingsboro, for Lot A in front of Row #17, Section A, in North Pinewood Cemetery, at a cost of \$61.43.

PLAT OF SUBDIVISION OF PART OF MYERS PARK APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman DeLaney, seconded by Councilman McKee, the following item was presented with the unanimous consent of Council:

Councilman DeLaney moved approval of the Plat of Subdivision situated in Myers Park, adjacent to Hampton and Portland Avenues, being developed by The Stephens Company, and approved by The Planning Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

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APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO STUDY MERIT SYSTEM FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Pursuant to the expressed desire by Councilman DeLaney that all city employees be in a merit system, Mayor Baxter appointed Councilmen DeLaney, Jordan and Albea as a Committee to investigate the advisability of an over-all merit system plan for employees to become operative at the beginning of the next fiscal year.

COOPERATION OF COUNCIL REQUESTED BY MAYOR IN MEETINGS WITH CITIZENS IN PERIMETER AREA RELATIVE TO MUNICIPAL SERVICES.

Mayor Baxter requested the approvaliand cooperation of the Council in a series of four meetings with citizens in the perimeter area to be annexed on January 1st, incorder that they be acquainted with the services to be rendered by the City Government.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman McKee, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Acting City Clerk