A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, January 2, 1952, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Shaw presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Boyd, Dellinger and Jordan present.

Absent: Councilmen Baxter, Coddington and Van Every.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Councilman Claude L. Albea.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on December 19, 1951 were approved as submitted.

HEARING RELATIVE TO BENEFITS CONFERRED UPON PROPERTY WITHIN THE IMPROVEMENT AREA OF BALDWIN CIRCLE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

Councilman Albea moved that the hearing relative to benefits conferred upon property within the improvement area of Baldwin Circle be continued until 4 o'clock p.m., on Wednesday, January 9th, at the request of Councilman Baxter who was called out of town because of the heath of a relative. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

REQUEST FOR IMPROVEMENT TO TWO BLOCKS OF PARSON STREET NORTH OF PARKWOOD AVENUE REFERRED TO CITY MANAGER AND CITY ENGINEER FOR INVESTIGATION AND REPORT.

Mr. Alvin Helms, 1924 Parson Street, appeared before Council and requested that two blocks on Parson Street north of Parkwood Avenue which are in bad condition be treated with tar and gravel. Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the request was referred to the City Manager and City Engineer for investigation and report to Council.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM EMERGENCY FUND TO ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT FOR PURCHASE OF TYPEWRITER.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the transfer of \$575.00 was authorized from the Emergency Fund (Code 110) to the Administrative Department, Capital Outlay, Office Appliance Account (Code 1101-G-14) for the purchase of a typewriter.

AGREEMENT WITH P & N REALTY COMPANY FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR SEWER LINE NEAR NEW THRIFT ROAD.

Councilman Dellinger moved that an agreement with the P & N Realty Company be authorized for right-of-way for the construction of a sewer line for a distance of approximately 700 feet near New Thrift Road. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

NEWELL AVENUE TAKEN OVER FOR LIMITED MAINTENANCE.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, Newell Avenue was taken over for limited maintenance from Eastway Drive to East 35th Street.

PLAT OF BEECHWOOD ACRES SUBDIVISION APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, approving the Plat of Beechwood Acres Subdivision being developed by Ervin Construction Company, as recommended by the Planning Board.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the construction of news samitary sewers was authorized at the following locations:

- (a) 166 feet of 8 inch sewer in East 13th Street at an estimated cost of \$715.00, to serve 4 business units, at request of Gittlin Charlotte Bag Company. All costs to be borne by the City.
- (b) 95 feet of 8 inch sewer main in North Independence Boulevard at an estimated cost of \$330.00, to serve one business unit, at request of Mr. George G. Economu, 238 N. Independence Boulevard. \$200.00 of the cost to be borne by the City and \$130.00 by the applicant, which will not be refunded.
- (c) 139 feet of 8 inch sewer in Alexander Street, Grier Heights, at an estimated cost of \$260.00, to serve 3 family units and 2 vacant lots, at request of Mr. J. M. Wallace, 5337 Monroe Road. All costs to be borne by the City.

AWARD OF CONTRACTS.

Motion was made by Councilman Bellinger, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, awarding contracts as follows:

- (a) Contract awarded J. C. Edwards, Orangeburg, S. C., for the construction of a new Gate Tower in Hoskins Reservoir No. 1, at a price of \$94,045.00.
- (b) Contract awarded Steel & Tank Service Company, Charlotte, to clean and paint the steel water tanks and fence at Pecan Avenue and East 8th Street and at Vest Station, furnishing all machinery, equipment, labor, materials, tools and apparatus, for the lump sum of \$7,350.00.
- (c) Contract awarded Columbia Pipe Company, Columbia, S. C., for 15,000 Fineal feet of Vitrified Clay Pipe, on a unit price basis, representing a total of \$6,300.00, subject to cash discount of \$126.00.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS AUTHORIZED ISSUED.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the issuance of Special Officer Permits was authorized as follows:

- (a) Permit to Daniel R. Blue, Sr., 2321 Newland Road, for use on the premises of Barnes Food Express, 2401 W. Morehead Street.
- (b) Permit to Dave M. Rea, Airport Manager, for use on the premises of Douglas Municipal Airport.
- (c) Permit to J. D. Fulton, 102 Deal St., Earl E. Carter 1500 South Boulevard and C. D. Christopher, 2848 Georgia Avenue, for use on the premises of Southern Bell Telephone Company.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Motion was made by Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots:

- (a) Deed with Mrs. Gertha Frank, for the West Half of Lot 86, in Section 3, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$78.00.
- (b) Deed with Mr. Frank M. Shannonhouse, Jrl, for Perpetual Care on Lot 118, in Section A, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$144.00.

ANNUAL REPORTS: FOR: \$\pm\$951 FILED BY CITY ATTORNEY AND ASSISTANT COLLECTOR OF REVENUE.

Councilman Albea moved the acceptance of the Annual Reports of Mr. John D. Shaw, City Attorney, and Mr. J. H. McLain, Assistant Collector of Revenue, which were filed with the City Clerk as required by law. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried.

RECOMMENDED SETTLEMENT WITH HEIRS TO REID ESTATE FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FOR SEWER SYSTEM EXTENSION DEFERRED ONE WEEK.

Mr. John D. Shaw, City Attorney, advised that the Heirs to the Reid Estate have advised they will accept settlement from the City at \$350.00 per acre for the land required for the extension of the City's sewer system, and he recommended that the offer be accepted. He advised further that this is a pompromise price between the \$500.00 per acre originally fixed for the land by the Heirs to the Estate and the \$150.00 per acre fixed by the Board of Appraisers for the city, and stated that he is advised by a realtor that it will be well to accept the offer instead of proceeding with the condemnation suit last the property within the ficinity has increased in value since the plans were announced by the Celanese Corporation that they will erect an office building on adjacent property.

Mr. Yancey, City Manager, stated that it is important that there be no delay in securing the property required for the sewer system extension, and in view of the Council having authorized the condemnation of the property and the City paid for an appraisal of its value by a committee of the Board of Realtors, that he would like the Courts to settle the case.

Following the discussion, Councilman Jordan moved that action be deferred for one week. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY PROPOSAL TO PLACE BENCHES BEARING ADVERTISEMENTS AT BUS STOPS.

Mayor Shaw advised that Mr. I. D. Blumenthal has requested permission to place benches, bearing advertisements, on the sidewalks at certain locations for the convenience of citizens waiting for busses. He advised that Mr. Blumenthal stated that the City would be compensated from monies received from the advertisements. The Mayor appointed Councilmen Albea, Jordan, Boyd and Dellinger as a Committee to discuss the proposal with Mr. Blumenthal, ascertain the details of his plans and acquaint the Council with full information regarding the proposal.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY THE NEEDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CLINIC FOR THE TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION OF ALCOHOLICS.

Mayor Shaw requested the appointment of the Committee to study the needs for the establishment of a clinic for the treatment and rehabilitation of ATcoholics, which was recently recommended by the Reverend Alfred Cole, Pastor of Saint Martin's Episcopal Church, and approved by Council.

Councilman Jordan nominated Mr. E. E. Jones and Mr. Jerry Ball as members of the Committee.

Councilman Albea nominated Mr. Frank Orr.

Councilman Dellinger nominated Dr. H. L. Newton.

Councilman Boyd nominated the Reverend Alfred Cole.

Committee, which motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and

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inanimously carried.

Mayor Shaw stated that he would request the Reverend Alfred Cole to serve as temporary Chairman of the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

City Clerk