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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:00 o'clock P. M., on Wednesday, April 11, 1945, with Mayor Pro Tem Price presiding, and Councilmen Albea, Atkins, Cope, Daughtry, Price, Slye and Ward being present.

Absent: Mayor H. H. Baxter and Councilmen Baker, Bullard, Hovis and Painter.

## MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Slye, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

CONTRACT WITH CONCRETE SUPPLY COMPANY FOR CRUSHED STONE.

Upon motion of Councilman Atkins, seconded by Councilman Albea, contract was unanimously awarded Concrete Supply Company for 280 tons of Crushed Stone, at an estimated net delivered price of \$554.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW JERSEY FOR GASOLINE.

Councilman Ward moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a contract with the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey for 10,011 gallons of gasoline at a net delivered price of \$1,634.05. Motion seconded by Councilman Slye, and unanimously carried.

APPROPRIATION FROM EMERGENCY FUND FOR PAYMENT OF BILL FROM MCDOUGLE & ERVIN.

Councilman Daughtry moved that the bill of McDougle and Ervin for \$434.94 for fee and expenses in connection with drafting Legislation which was submitted to the recent General Assembly and two days spent at Raleigh assisting the Mecklenburg County delegation in expediting this Legislation - the same having been approved for payment by the City Attorney-be paid and said amount be appropriated from the Emergency Fund. Motion seconded by Councilman Albea, and unanimously carried.

TEMPORARY PERMIT GRANTED PIEDMONT & NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY TO CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY CROSSING ACROSS BERRYHILL ROAD TO SERVE RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION.

The City Manager read a communication from the Piedmont and Northern Railway Company requesting a temporary permit to cross Berryhill Road with a temporary crossing to serve the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Storage Warehouse. Councilman Atkins moved that the P & N Railway Company be granted a temporary permit to cross Berryhill Road with a temporary crossing, provided same was constructed in accordance with the requirements and under the direction of the City Engineering Department, and provided further, that the P & N Railway Company would remove said crossing immediately upon demand of the city, and that the construction of said crossing across said roadway by the P & N Railway Company will be considered an acception of the conditions in this motion. Motion seconded by Councilman Ward, and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF TAXES AND STREET ASSESSMENTS TO BE AFFECTED BY STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FILED BY COLLECTOR OF REVENUE.

In accordance with a directive of the City Council on March 28, 1945, a report was presented by the City Manager, and filed with the City Clerk, from the Collector of Revenue of Taxes and Street Assessments to be affected by the Statue of Limitations passed by the 1945 Session of the General Assembly.

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CONTRACT AWARDED GEO. G. SCOTT & COMPANY TO AUDIT THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1945.

The City Manager reported concerning a proposed contract to audit the City of Charlotte for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945 by Geo. G. Scott & Company, at a price of \$4000.00. Councilman Ward moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute said contract with Geo. G. Scott & Company, at a price of \$4,000.00, and that \$1,000.00 of said amount be appropriated from the Emergency Fund. Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried.

PROGRESS HEPORT ON CORRECTION OF CONDITIONS AT OLD ROCK QUARRY MADE BY THE CITY MANAGER.

The City Manager made a progress report concerning the activities at the Old Rock Quarry on West Tremont Avenue, as requested by Council on April 4, 1945. He stated that a committee had been appointed which included representatives of the home owners, the Health department and the Motor Transport Department, to work out a satisfactory solution to the problem.

REPORT BY CITY TREASURER OF THE PURCHASE OF THE NORTH POPLAR STREET PROPERTY FOR USE AS A VETERANS RECREATION CENTER.

The City Treasurer reported that the property at 111, 113, 115 and 117 North Poplar Street, to be used for the erection of a Veterans Recreation Center, had been purchased for \$52,500.00 amd the deeds recorded.

REPORT BY CITY TREASURER OF PURCHASE OF NORTH CEDAR STREET PROPERTY FOR EXTENSION OF ELMWOOD CEMETERY.

The City Treasurer reported that the property on North Cedar Street, to be used for the extension of Elmwood Cemetery, had been purchased and the houses removed and the property was now ready for development into cemetery lots.

BID ON STATESVILLE AVENUE PROPERTY REJECTED AND PROPERTY WITHDRAWN FROM MARKET.

The City Treasurer reported that 80 acres of the Statesville Avenue property was advertised for sale as directed by the City Council; that Penny Bros. Land, Inc. submitted the high bid of \$14,600.00 at the sale; that later an upset bid was submitted by C. D. Thomas in the amount of \$15,332.50. Following a discussion, Councilman Daughtry moved that the bids be rejected and the property withdrawn from the market. Motion seconded by Councilman Atkkns, and unanimously carried.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMIT GRANTED W. W. TURNER FOR USE ON PREMISES OF B. F. GOODRICH STORES.

Councilman Albea moved that a Special Officer Permit be issued to W. W. Turner, for use on the premises of B. F. Goodrich Stores. Motion seconded by Councilman Daughtry, and unanimously carried.

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## CEMETERY DEEDS APPROVED FOR TRANSFER.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Ward, the following demetery deeds were approved for transfer:

Mrs. H. L. Timmons, Lot No. 46-C, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$72.10
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$61.80.
Lloyd H. Lowe and wife Carrie D. Lowe, and Lewis W. Brown and wife, Hannah D.Brown, Lot No. 121, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$130.90.
Perpetual Care on above lot (Lot No. 121, Section X) at \$112.20.
R. T. Boyd, Lot No. 56-B, Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$72.10.
Perpetual Care on above lot (Lot No. 56-B, Section X) at \$61.80.
Mrs. John R. Bumgardner, Lot No. 178, Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, \$63.00.
Mrs. Helen A. Meacham, Lot No. 368, in Section Y, Elmwood Cemetery, \$35.00
Perpetual Care on Lot No. 5-Fraction, in Section R, Elmwood Cemetery, Mrs. John D. Clark, at \$121.50.

## ADJOURNMENT.

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

City Clerk