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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, November 27, 1945, with Mayor Baxter presiding, and Councilmen Childs, Hinson, Johnston, Newson, Puette and White present.

Absent: Councilman McIntyre.

ORDINANCE GOVERNING SUB-STANDARD HOUSES PRESENTED BY CHARLOTTE PLANNING BOARD.

Mr. C. W. Gilchrist, Chairman of the Charlotte Planning Board stated the Board wished to present an ordinance governing sub-standard houses. He advised the ordinance was the result of a conscientious effort on the part of the Board to rid Charlotte of it's slums; that the ordinance was not as far-reaching as the Board desired, but covered those phases that were possible under the State laws. Mr. Gilchrist asked that the ordinance be read, and urged it's adoption. Copies of the ordinance were presented to City Officials.

Speaking in behalf of the passage of the ordinance were: Messrs. J. E. Dowd of The Charlotte News, Brigadier Wesley Bouterse of the Salvation Army, Dr. James A. Jones, Pastor Myers Park Methodist Church, Lex Kluttz of the Y.M.C.A., L. E. Young of the Fire Underwriters Asso., Paul Guthery of the Real Estate Board, Harold Dillehay of the Housing Authority, Arthur Grier and Dr. Nathaniel Tross, representing the Negro Race, and Frank Orr and C. W. Tillett, who collaborated with The Planning Board in drafting the ordinance.

Mayor Baxter stated the City Officials were desirous of establishing a law governing sub-standard houses; however, as copies of the ordinance had just been received, Council wished to study it before considering its adoption.

Councilman White moved that consideration of the ordinance be deferred, and that it be placed as No. 1 item on the Agenda for the next Council Meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried.

TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY AUTHORIZED ADVERTISED FOR SALE.

Councilman Newson moved that the following tax foreclosed property, appraised by the Appraisal Committee, be advertised for sale and that the City Treasurer be authorized to accept bids with the usual deposit: Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried:

425-31 Belmont Avenue (Tax Suit No. 323 vs. Mrs. E. J Brown et al deed dated July 21, 1943, recorded in Mecklenburg Registry in Book 1094, page 271)	\$ 550.00
705-07 Belmont Avenue (Tax Suit 70 vs. W.B. Reid et al, deed dated Jan. 22, 1938, recorded in Mecklenburg Registry in Book 940, Page 466)	100.00
Lot 3 in Block 1, being known as 716-18 Belmont Avenue	150.00
Lot 11 in Block 8, being known as 961 Seigle Avenue	450.00
Lot 14 in Block A, being known as 608-10 Stevens Street	100.00

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Lot 12 in Block A, being known as 616 Stevens Street	\$ 100.00
Lot 7 in Block 14, being known as 1300 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 9 in Block 14, being known as 1308-10 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 10 in Block 14, being known as 1312-14 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 11 in Block 14, being known as 1316-18 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 12 in Block 14, being known as 1320-22 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 7 in Block 14, being known as 1400 Seigle Avenue	350.00
Lot 9 in Block 16, being known as 1508 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 10 in Block 16, being known as 1512-14 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 11 in Block 16, being known as 1516-18 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 12 in Block 16, being known as 1520-22 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 2 in Block 23, being known as 1605 Seigle Avenue	400.00
Lot 10 in Block 11, being known as 1612-14 Harrill Street	350.00
Lot 3 in Block 17, being known as 1609-11 Harrill Street	300.00
Lot 2 in Block 17, being known as 1605-07 Harrill Street	350.00
Lot 8 in Block 9, being known as 1404-06 Harrill Street	400.00
Part of Lot 9 in Block 8, being known as 1308-10 Harrill St....	400.00
Lot 3 in Block 2, being known as 1308-10 Pegram Street	500.00
Lot 8 in Block 2, being known as 1530 Pegram Street	350.00
Lot 9 in Block 2, being known as 1600 Pegram Street	350.00
Lot 10 in Block 2, being known as 1604-06 Pegram Street	350.00
Lot 11 in Block 2, being known as 1608 Pegram Street	350.00
Lot 29 in Block 2, being known as 1724-26 Pegram Street	400.00
Lot 4 in Block 4, being known as 1213-15 Parkwood Avenue	400.00
1704-06 Union Street (Tax Suit No. 414 vs. W.B. Blount, deed dated Feb. 12, 1943, recorded in Mecklenburg Registry in Book 1091, page 132)	400.00
Lot 33 in Block 4, being known as 1629 Union Street	400.00
Lot 19 in Block 2, being known as 1629-31 Wilkinson Street	300.00
Lot 25 in D. A. Johnston Property, being known as 1501-03 Mimosa Ave.	500.00
Lot 4 in Block 7, being known as 2513-15 Commonwealth Avenue ..	750.00
Lots 9 and 10 in E. L. Mason Property, tax suit No. 576 vs. O. C. Thomas, Map Book 332, Page 510	100.00
Lot 10 in Block 9, being known as 1001-03 McAden Street	50.00
Lot 16 in Block 21, being known as 808-10 East Eighteenth Street ..	400.00

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ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICY IN CONNECTION WITH EXTENDING SEWER AND WATER INTO SUB-DIVISIONS IN OR NEAR THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

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

WHEREAS, the development of real estate sub-divisions in and near the City of Charlotte without having the plans of said sub-division approved as required by law is quite prevalent, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the City of Charlotte has called the attention of the City Council to such disregard of the requirements of the General Laws of the State of North Carolina, and particularly General Statutes Section 160-226.

..NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby declared to be the policy of the City of Charlotte that the water and sewer facilities of the City of Charlotte heretofore extended by the City under its existing rules and regulations shall not be hereafter extended into any real estate sub-division coming within the purview of General Statutes 160-226 until said section of the General Statutes has been fully complied with.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH J. B. GROOME FOR SANITARY SEWER IN ACADEMY STREET.

Motion was made by Councilman Childs that contract be entered into with J. B. Groome for the construction of an 8-inch sanitary sewer in Academy Street, from The Plaza 180 feet towards Holt Street, at an estimated cost of \$225.50, to serve one house, and that the required deposit of \$25.50 be accepted from Mr. Groome. Motion seconded by Councilman Johnston, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AUTHORIZED WITH L. S. AND A. F. YANDLE FOR DIRT FROM STONEWALL STREET LOT, IN LIEU OF CONSTRUCTING RETAINING WALL.

The City Manager advised that in extending Stonewall Street the City agreed to construct a retaining wall at the property of L. S. and A. F. Yandle, at a price of \$479.11; that later an agreement was reached with the Messrs Yandle that in lieu of building the retaining wall, the City could remove the dirt from the property to be used for filling in the street, and the price of \$479.11 would be paid them as if the wall had been constructed. The City Manager requested authority to enter into a contract for this transaction, and asked that the amount be appropriated from the Emergency Fund.

Councilman Johnston moved that the contract be authorized and funds appropriated as requested. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS ACCOUNT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ACCOUNT AUTHORIZED.

...Councilman Hinson moved that \$165.00 be transferred from the "Airport Improvements Account" to "Professional Services Account" to be used for payment to Henry C. Dockery for title work on property at 111-117 North Poplar Street. Motion seconded by Councilman Childs, and unanimously carried.

PAYMENT AUTHORIZED TO PURITY CAFE FOR PRISONERS MEALS.

Upon motion of Councilman Hinson, seconded by Councilman Johnston, payment of \$106.20 was unanimously authorized to The Purity Cafe for prisoners meals for period November 1st through 15th, 1945.

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CONTRACTS AUTHORIZED WITH PETTIT MOTOR COMPANY AND HEATH MOTOR COMPANY FOR PURCHASE OF FOUR AUTOMOBILES.

Motion was made by Councilman Hinson that four automobiles be purchased for use by the Police Department, and that contracts be awarded as follows:

Pettit Motor Company
Two 8-cylinder 2-door Ford Sedans, at a total delivered price of \$2,005.34.

Heath Motor Company
Two 8-cylinder 2-door Ford Sedans, at a total delivered price of \$2,005.34.

Motion seconded by Councilman Puette, and unanimously carried.

SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Childs moved that the sale of the following cemetery lots be authorized. Motion seconded by Councilman Hinson, and unanimously carried:

- To - Mrs. Theodosia Parker, south part Lot 52, in Section A-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$65.80.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$47.00.
- To - Mrs. Maggie Cobb, north part Lot 139, in Section X, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$69.30.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$59.40.
- To - C. F. Fodel and Family, Lot 38, in Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$99.00.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$55.00.
- To - K. W. Selden, Sr., Lot 87, Section L-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$95.85.
Perpetual Care on above lot, \$53.25.
- To - Dr. Jas. W. Gibbon, Perpetual Care on Lot 60, in Section D-Annex, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$100.00.
- To - Mary H. Inglis, Perpetual Care on Lot 223 Fract. in Section Q, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$72.50.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Hinson, seconded by Councilman Johnston the meeting was adjourned.

Lillian R. Hoffman

City Clerk