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A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, December 9, 1953, at 4 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Van Every presiding and Councilmen Baxter, Boyd, Brown, Dellinger, Smith and Wilkinson present.

Absent: Councilman Albea.

INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Dr. R. S. Snyder.

MAYOR PRO TEM SMITH PRESIDING.

Mayor Van Every called on Councilman J. S. Smith, Mayor protem, to take the Chair and excused himself to attend another meeting; therefore, Mayor pro tem Smith presided for the remainder of the meeting.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the last meeting on December 2nd were approved as submitted.

PETITION FOR RETROACTIVE INCREASE IN PAY FROM JULY 1ST FOR FORMER EMPLOYEES.

Mr. T. L. Conder, a former employee of the City, appeared before the City Council in the interest of himself and other employees who were working on July 1, 1953, and who have since died or left the employment of the City. Mr. Conder contended that if any employee received retroactive pay and it was not applicable to all employees then it was a bonus to some employees and not retroactive pay. He insisted that he should be eligible for retroactive pay from July 1st up to the time that he left the employment of the City. Mr. Yancey explained to the Council that the matter of payment to former employees was mentioned at the time the Council was considering this matter in night session but no action was taken. Councilman Dellinger moved that the City Council take this matter under consideration. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown and passed unanimously.

SUGAR CREEK ODORS.

Councilman Baxter reported that a survey and report on what can be done to better conditions in Sugar Creek was now being made by a private engineering concern without cost to the City.

INCREASE SEATING CAPACITY OF STADIUM,

Councilman Baxter moved that the Council suggest to the Park and Recreation Commission to consider the building of approximately 5,000 seats on each side of the 50-yard line at the Stadium in the effort to keep pace with the growth of our City and make it possible for more people to enjoy and see football games. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown and unanimously carried.

MASONIC DRIVE TAKEN OVER FOR MAINTENANCE DISCUSSED.

Councilman Boyd asked the City Manager if Masonic Drive had ever been taken over for maintenance. Mr. Yancey reported that he thought that it had but that he would check into the matter. Mr. Boyd then requested that Mr. Yancey advise Mr. John Civil if the street has been taken over by the City for maintenance.

NO MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 23rd.

Councilman Brown moved that the City Council dispense with its regular meeting on Wednesday, December 23rd, because of the Christmas holidays. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkinson and passed unanimously.

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ADDITIONAL SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD REQUESTED FOR DILWORTH SCHOOL.

Councilman Brown moved that the City Manager appoint another School-crossing Guard to work the intersection of Park Avenue and Euclid Avenue, to serve school children attending Dilworth School. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION FIXING DATE OF HEARING ON DECEMBER 30TH IN CONNECTION WITH ORDINANCE NO. 195 AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE TO CHANGE ZONING FROM R-2 TO INDUSTRIAL ON LOT LOCATED AT 1515 CLIFFWOOD PLACE.

An ordinance entitled: "Ordinance No. 195 To Amend the Zoning Ordinance" by changing the Building Zone Map from Residence-2 to Industrial on lot located at 1515 Cliffwood Place, at the request of Mr. W. N. Stokes, 1513 Cliffwood Place, was introduced and read. Following which, a resolution entitled: "Resolution Providing for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance" on December 30th, was introduced and read, and upon motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, the resolution was adopted. The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 2, at Page 165.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO GENERAL FUND AND WATER DEPARTMENT SALARY ACCOUNT FOR SALARY ADJUSTMENTS OF CITY EMPLOYEES.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, \$60,700.00, which together with the \$220,000.00 previously appropriated for salary adjustments will equal the \$280,700.00 authorized on November 25th for salary adjustments, which will be distributed to the salary accounts in the General Fund and Water Department, was authorized transferred to the General Fund and Water Department Fund, Salary Accounts, from the following accounts:

\$25,500.00 from Water & Sewer Fund, Capital Outlay of System Distribution Maintenance (Code 1610-G-12) Machinery & Equipment.

\$ 4,000.00 from Water Emergency Fund (Code 613).

\$17,700.00 from General Fund, Reserves Miscellaneous to Special Appropriations (Code 109) Salary Adjustments.

\$13,500.00 from General Fund, Emergency Fund (Code 110) to Special Appropriations (Code 109) Salary Adjustments.

BOND STREET TAKEN OVER MAINTENANCE.

Councilman Baxter moved that Bond Street, from Tuckaseegee Road to State Street, which has been put into condition to meet the City's requirements, be taken over for City maintenance. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

CONTRACT AWARDED HAJOCA CORPORATION FOR SIX MONTH'S REQUIREMENT OF WROUGHT IRON PIPE FOR WATER DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Baxter, and unanimously carried, awarding contract to the low bidder, Hajoca Corporation, for 30,000 feet of 3/4", 10,000 feet of 2", Wrought Iron Pipe, as specified, on a unit price basis, representing a total price of \$11,990.00, subject to cash discount of \$239.80, or a net delivered price of \$11,750.20.

SUPPLEMENTARY CONTRACT WITH RIDGEWOOD SERVICES, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS IN RIDGEWOOD SUBDIVISION AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Wilkinson moved that supplementary contract be authorized with Ridgewood Services, Inc., for the construction of 1,620 ft. of water main and 3 fire hydrants in Ridgewood Subdivision, outside the City limits, at an estimated cost of \$4,950.00, to serve residential property. All costs to be borne by the Applicant, who will own the mains until the territory is taken into the City, at which time they will automatically be dedicated to the City. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger and unanimously carried.

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CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SANITARY SEWERS.

Upon motion of Councilman Dellinger, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, and unanimously carried, the construction of new sanitary sewers was authorized at the following locations:

- (a) 1,219 feet of sewer main in Normandy Road, at request of City Engineer, Loyd G. Richey, at an estimated cost of \$4,740.00, to serve 26 family units and 2 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City.
- (b) 673 feet of sewer main in Fieldwood Road, at request of C. G. Abernethy, at an estimated cost of \$2,050.00, to serve 3 family units and 4 vacant lots. All costs to be borne by the City. Applicant's required deposit to be refunded as per terms of the contract.
- (c) 285 feet of sewer main in Youngblood Street, at request of Charlotte Lumber and Manufacturing Company, at an estimated cost of \$1,000,00, to serve business property, All costs to be borne by the City and Applicant's required deposit to be refunded as per terms of the contract.
- (d) 118 feet of sewer main in Bank Street, at request of Charlotte Lumber & Manufacturing Company, at an estimated cost of \$390.00, to serve business property. All costs to be borne by the City and Applicant's required deposit to be refunded as per terms of the contract.

SPECIAL OFFICER PERMITS AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Brown, seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried, authorizing the issuance of Special Officer Permits to the following persons:

Ernest L. Kale Charles O. White Odus H. Turner Milus Pruett Wade H. Vause Cleveland Townsend

James E. Porter Cicero L. Ware John H. Marlier Oliver W. Parks Edgar H. Dellinger John E. Pettit

NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY GRANTED CITY EMPLOYEES ON JANUARY 1st.

Councilman Baxter moved that City Employees be given a holiday for New Year's on Friday, January 1st. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dellinger, and unanimously carried.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOT:

Upon motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Brown and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deed with Mrs. Ethel R. Briggs for the transfer of Cemetery Lot #265, East half, Section U, Elmwood Cemetery, at \$1.00.

AD JOURNMENT.

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

Deputy City Clerk