Minutes Regular Meeting Board of Aldermen--Chapel Hill, N. C. March 31, 1952

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Town Hall on March 31, 1952 at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present were Mayor Lanier, Aldermon Fitch, Davis, Putnam, Cornwell, Town Auditor Peacock, and Town Attorney LeGrand.

Mr. Pete Dorton filed an application for a Beer License granting him the right to sell Beer in the Goody Shop on East Franklin Street, which was formally Aggie's Cafe in which he was a partner. This application was presented to the Board for their approval. After a thorough discussion Mr. Cornwell moved that Mr. Dorton be granted this privilege license. This motion was seconded by Mr. Putnam and unanimously passed.

The fire department report was read by Mr. Lanier. Mr. Perry had stated that he was working on a report of attendance over a twelve year period showing the alarms, the attendance, and the percent of attendance for each man. These records would date back to the year 1940.

Mr. Peacock gave his audit report for the month of February, 1952. He stated that the vouchers were in order.

Mr. Lanier read a letter that was written to Chief Sloan from the Inspector of Prisons. He had inspected the prison in Chapel Hill and found the general conditions favorable. He stated that the floors in the cells should be painted. He also stated that a person to be held longer than a few days or week end should be transferred to the County Jail as the services for this jail were limited.

Each member of the board were presented with a copy of a letter from the North Carolina League of Municipalities asking the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina to act as host to a district meeting of the League on Tuesday, April 22, 1952. Mr. Putnam moved that the Town act as host to the League and serve them dinner. Mr. Cornwell seconded this motion and, with the provision that the Town Attorney found it legal to use tax money for such a purpose this motion was unanimously passed.

Upon motion of Aldermen Putnam and seconded by Aldermen Davis the following resolution was pnanimously passed:

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WHEREAS, the New Lincoln High School for negroes has been completed recently immediately South of the Town of Carrboro and West of the Town of Chapel Hill and on Merritt Mill Road, a dirt road, and

WHEREAS, the school bus and other increased trafic over the said road has emphasized the need for an all weather road from Franklin Street and over Merritt Mill Road by the said school building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, in regular meeting assembled on the 31st day of March, 1952, that the State Highway and Public Works Commission be urged to pave Merritt Street and Merritt Mill Road from Franklin Street or State Highway No. 54 Southward by the said Lincoln High School.

Mr. LeGrand reported that in answer to the question concerning the Sewer connection ordinance, that the Town had passed such an ordinance in April of 1950.

Mr. Putnam wanted to know who had the authority to number the houses in the newly a mexed areas. Mr. Lanier informed him that Mr. Rose would meet with the Postmaster and decide on the numbering of houses in the new areas.

Upon motion made by Mr. Putnam and seconded by Mr. Cornwell, and unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 9:05 P. M.

After hearing the minutes of the Board of Aldermen for March 31, 1952 read as amended, on motion made by Aldermen Putnam and seconded by Aldermen Fitch the minutes were approved by vote of the Board of Aldermen this the 291% day of April, 1952.

Welles J. Sidey Town Clerk
Mayor

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