Special called meeting of the Board of Aldermen, in Mayors Office Jan. 28-1901 7.30 P.M. Present: Aldermen Pickard, Kluttz, Ward and Holmes. Mayor Barbee presiding.
Mr S. L. Herndon appeared before the Board and asked that the sidewalk in front of his new building on main street near Columbia street be graded properly and the street Committee was instructed to fix this sidewalk at once.
License was granted to J. H. Pratt and associates for the construction of an electric car line in accordance with the following paper:
Whereas, J. H. Pratt and his associates propose to construct and maintain an electric railway for the carriage of goods and passengers from Durham to Chapel Hill.
Resolve, That license be and is hereby granted to J. H. Pratt and such persons as may be associated with him as a corporation for the purpose aforesaid, to construct, maintain and operate an electric railway upon Franklin or main Street, Columbia Street and Cameron avenue in Chapel Hill, the said railway to be so constructed, maintained and operated as not to interfere with the present use of said streets, and provided further that the said railway shall be fully complete and in operation within five years from this date.
Petition from Prof J. W. Gore and associates asking for the privilege of erecting poles and putting up telephone line on the streets of the town of Chapel Hill was granted;
and the franchise was granted as asked for in said petition except that the exclusive franchise for erecting such a telephone line and exchange on the streets of the town was granted for a period of five years on condition that the charges for the use of telephone shall not be increased during this period. Above the charges now in force. An account of 91¢ allowed

A. S. Barbee Mayor J. A. Holmes Sec't Protem.