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There was a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill at 8:00 P.M., Mayor Roberson presiding and the following Aldermen present: Messrs. R.D.W.Connor, C.T.Durham, M.E.Hogan, C.L.Wills and B.S.Williams.

The Manager reported that the opinion as handed down by Messrs. Caldwell & Raymond, New York Bond Attorneys, in regard to the provision of the Town Charter limiting the total amount of property which might be owned by the Town to \$200,000. would not interfere with the street improvement work nor the issuance of bonds for street improvement work, in case that the value of such improvements would not exceed the \$200,000 limitation.

The Manager brought up for discussion the section of the Schedule of License and Privilege Taxes providing for a tax and a fee for the construction of buildings based upon the estimated cost of same, and stated that on June 1, 1925, when this ordinance took effect, Mr. B.S.Thompson had four houses for which contracts had been made and the construction work had been started prior to that time when the ordinance took effect and were not completed. Mr. Thompson had been charged a fee based upon part of the work completed on these contracts after the ordinance had taken effect on June 1. After discussion and upon motion of Alderman Durham, seconded by Alderman Connor, the Manager was instructed to charge off the account books of the Town, and release Mr. Thompson from the responsibility of paying the Building Permits issued on January 7, April 4, April 21 and May 21.

Section 22 of the Sanitary Ordinance in regard to the use of paper cups for the dispensing of drinks and cups, saucers and spoons for the dispensing of ice-cream etc, at soda fountains was brought up for discussion and was amended to read as follows in accordance with a recent decision of the Supreme Court of a case carried up from Goldsboro. Upon motion of Alderman Connor, seconded by Alderman Wills, this section was amended to read as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of selling soda or carbonated waters, or other soft drinks, and ice-creams to the public at retail, to dispense drinks in any glass or other container other than individual sanitary cups; or to serve ice-cream in any glass or other container other than individual sanitary cups or saucers; and the spoons in such placed in connection with service to the public shall be individual spoons (small spoons which are prepared for use only) and such sanitary cups, saucers and spoons hereinbefore mentioned and prescribed after having been used once shall not be used again for any of the said purposes."

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AT 8:00 P.M. Mayor Gordonson presiding and the following gentlemen present:  
There was a reading of the report of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill

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The question of the construction of a sewer line to serve Pritchard Field was brought up for consideration and in the discussion it was brought out that enough sewer connections could be obtained to pay an annual revenue of \$1668, leaving a balance to be raised on the estimated cost of sewer construction of only \$32.00. The Manager stated that the estimated cost of this work was \$8,846. At the same time the question of building a street on Pritchard Avenue and Short Street in accordance with petitions received by the Board from the property owners on said streets, was brought up for consideration and upon motion of Alderman Connor, seconded by Alderman Hogan, the following resolution was duly adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL:

Section 1. That the street known as Pritchard Avenue and Short Street in Pritchard Field are hereby taken over as a part of the regular system of streets.

Section 2. That the Town will construct and the Manager is hereby authorized to proceed with the construction of streets in accordance with petitions received from the property owners, the terms of the petitions providing for one-third of the cost of such construction by the Town and one-third by the property owners on each side of the streets.

Section 3. That the Manager is authorized to construct in accordance with the proposal as submitted to the Board, a sewer line to serve Pritchard Field Section, the cost not to exceed \$8,850.00

Upon motion of Alderman Connor, seconded by Alderman Hogan, the following ordinance was duly adopted; all the Aldermen present voting in the affirmative therefor, to-wit: Aldermen R.D.W.Connor, C.T.Durham, M.E.Hogan, C L.Wills and B.S.Williams.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL:

Section 1. That the Town of Chapel Hill does issue its bonds pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act to an amount not exceeding \$8,500.00 for the purpose of extending the present existing sanitary sewer system.

Section 2. That a tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds shall be annually levied and collected.

Section 3. That a statement of the debt of the Town has been filed with the Clerk and is open to public inspection.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its first publication unless in the meantime a petition for its submission to the voters is filed under said act, and that in such event, it shall take effect when approved by the voters of the municipality at an election as provided for in said act.



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Alderman Wills brought up for consideration the law concerning a member of the Board of Aldermen trading with himself insofar as it might apply to the Town purchasing from the Chapel Hill Hardware Co. There was much discussion. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that when an individual purchase was authorized by the Board of Aldermen, it would be illegal for Alderman Wills, as Agent of the Chapel Hill Hardware Co., to have an order for materials so authorized to be purchased but that it was not a violation of the law to furnish materials purchased direct by order from the Purchasing Agent.

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The Clerk stated that the Board had been called for the purpose of having a public hearing on the budget for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1926. The Manager then presented the budget for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1926 and ending May 31, 1927. In the discussion it was brought out that the tax rate in 1922 was \$1.42½ per \$100. and the tax rate proposed for 1926 under this budget would not exceed \$1.38 per \$100. including the payments necessary on street and sewer improvements. The total budget as presented provided for the expenditure of \$220,539.00 while in 1922 the total was only \$35,230.00. After much discussion and upon motion of Alderman Connor, seconded by Alderman Durham, the appropriation to the Cemetery Association was increased. Upon motion of Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Connor, the budget was tentatively approved as presented and including additional appropriation for the Cemetery, and the Manager was instructed to advertise a public hearing on the budget for June 25th at 8:00 P.M.

W.S. Roberson, Mayor

*Lorah Merritt* Clerk

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL:

Section 1. That in order to anticipate the receipts of the proceeds from the sale of \$6,000.00 sewer bonds of the Town of Chapel Hill, authorized by the Board of Aldermen on the 10th day of May, 1926; said ordinance having taken effect on June 10th, being 30 days after its first publication, it is necessary to borrow the sum of \$6,000.00 in anticipation of the said sale.

Section 2. That a temporary loan of \$6,000.00 shall be made bearing interest at not more than 6% per annum and maturing not later than June 20, 1927, said loan shall be evidenced by a note and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby instructed to fix the face amount of said note and the rate of interest it shall bear and to fix the date of maturity, all within the limitations herein set forth, and with the power to dispose of said note to the best advantage.

Section 3. That the said note shall be signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the Clerk under the corporate seal of the Town and shall be substantially in the following form: