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July 17, 1926

There was a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill at 1:00 P.M., Mayor Roberson presiding and the following Aldermen present: Messrs. G.M.Braune, C.T.Durham, M.E.Hogan and C.L.Wills.

The Manager stated that he had obtained an opinion from the Attorney General in regard to the law requiring Contractorsto be licensed, which was as follows:

....."Therefore, while Section 14 of Chapter 318, Public Laws of 1925, attempts to require that evidence of a license be shown before a person's bid is considered, I am of the opinion that the bid may be received and considered before the license is so obtained."
"It is probably the duty of the Board, notwithstanding this fact, to have the successful bidder obtain a license before awarding him the contract." Upon motion of Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Braune, the certified checks of the two low bidders, Collier Cobb, Jr. and J.W.Long, were retained and the award of the contract was delayed until Wednesday, July 21st in order to give the low bidder, Collier Cobb, Jr, opportunity to secure a license as required by law.

The question of the Town doing a part of the work with its own force was brought up for discussion. It was brought out that if the Town did the grading, possibly \$1,500. could be saved on this item but it would be necessary to purchase equipment consisting of a tractor, road grader, dirt scraper and plow. The cost of this equipment was estimated at \$5,500.00 and almost one-third of this amount could be saved the first year. It was pointed out that the street grading work would be carried on from year to year and that in a very few years enough would be saved to pay for this equipment. In addition to this the equipment is needed in the maintenance of the present streets. Upon motion of Alderman Braune, seconded by Alderman Wills, duly passed, the Manager was instructed to advertise for bids on this equipment. Upon motion of Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Wills, the Manager was instructed to install the storm drainage with the street force.

Upon motion of Alderman Braune, seconded by Alderman Durham, duly adopted, the contract for furnishing the pipe for storm drainage was awarded to Grey Concrete Pipe Co.

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill adjourned at 1:45 P.M. until Wednesday, July 21st.

W.S.Roberson, Mayor

Sarah Merritt Clerk