

July 21, 1926

There was a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill at 4:15 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 reported that Collier Cobb, Jr. had been unable to secure a contractor's license because it was necessary to go before the Contractor's Licensing Board and the said Board does not meet again until October and that Mr. Cobb desired to withdraw his bid. Upon motion of Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Durham, the following resolution was duly adopted.

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

Section 1. That Collier Cobb, Jr. is allowed to withdraw his bid on Street Improvements and that his certified check deposited with the said bid be returned to him.

Section 2. That the contract for the Street Improvements is hereby awarded to J.W.Long.

The Manager stated that the North Carolina Corporation Commission was very desirous of having the Board of Aldermen designate a parking space for Taxis and require them to stay in the space so designated. It was stated that this plan would eliminate a great many of the complaints received by the Corporation Commission regarding the breaking of the bus law by the taxi men. Upon motion of Alderman Durham, seconded by Alderman Wills, duly adopted, the Manager was instructed to mark off a taxi stand on the south side of Franklin Street to the West of the Hill Bakery Building, and to instruct the Police to see that the taxis were parked at no other places on the streets of the Town.

The Manager stated that the auditors who were putting in a new accounting system had recommended that a posting machine be purchased for posting the "Appropriation Ledger" and that it was possible that the machine formerly used by the Peoples Bank could be bought for a very cheap price. There was a general discussion in regard to all equipment proposed and included in the budget for the Division of Management. The Manager stated that the amount carried in the budget for all these items was \$1,225.00 and that a very good Ford Coupe for \$400.00. Upon motion of Alderman Hogan, seconded by Alderman Wills, the following resolution was duly adopted:

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

Section 1. That the Manager is hereby authorized to purchase from the Strowd Motor Co. one used Ford Coupe at a cost not in excess of \$400.00.

the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, at its regular meeting held on the 1st day of August, 1926, at 8:00 P.M., for the purpose of considering the bids received for the purchase of a new fireproof safe or filing cabinet for the records of the Town of Chapel Hill.

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Section 2. That the Manager is hereby authorized to purchase from the Peoples Bank one Burrows Posting Machine at a cost not in excess of \$250.00.

Section 3. That the Manager is instructed to purchase one fireproof safe or filing cabinet for the records of the Town at a cost not in excess of \$575.00.

The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

W.S. Roberson, Mayor

Sarah Merritt Clerk

The Manager further reports that the bids had been tabulated as shown below:

Name of Bidder	Trade Name	HP	BID ON 25 HP TRACTOR		Price	Delivery	Discount
			Weight	Type			
J.I. Case Co.	Case	25		Wheel Reg.	\$2095.	15 days	5%
				Wheel Spec.	2095.	" "	"
J.I. Tractor Co.	J.I.	"	2,500	Crawler	3500.	7 days	3%
Advance Runley Threshing Co.	Oil Pull	"		Wheel	2350.		5%
Standard Manf.							
& Equip. Co.	Bates	"	7,000	Crawler	2500.		5%
L.M. Johnson	Hartphart	"	8,000	Wheel	2500.	30 days	
Carolina Tractor Co.	Cletrac "A"-30			Crawler	3875.	21 days	
E.F. Craven Co.	Caterpillar 30		2,700	"	3251.		\$142.00

There was much discussion in regard to the various types of tractors and it was decided that the crawler type was most suited for the needs of the Town in that there was difficulty in turning around the wheel type tractor when pulling road machinery behind.

The next question given consideration was the service that could be expected on the various crawler type tractors on which bids were received. The bids of J.I. Tractor Co. and Standard Manf. & Equipment Co. were eliminated because neither of these companies have service stations located within the state. The representatives of the Carolina Tractor Co. and of E.F. Craven Co. were called in and questioned in regard to service they were able to give on their tractors.