

April 2, 1927

There was a special 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. L. Eubanks, M. E. Hogan and C. L. Wills.

The Manager stated that this meeting was called for the purpose of passing an ordinance providing for the regular municipal election to be held in May of this year.

An ordinance to provide for a municipal election was then brought up for discussion and upon motion of Alderman M. E. Hogan, seconded by Alderman G. M. Braune, was duly adopted, all the Aldermen voting in the affirmative therefor, an ordinance being as follows:

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

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of the charter and general laws of the state of North Carolina governing elections in municipalities, an election is hereby called to be held on Tuesday, May 3, 1927, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three Aldermen; the Mayor to serve for a term of two years and the three Aldermen to serve for a term of four years.

Section 2. The polls shall be opened on the day of the election from 8 o'clock A. M. 'til sunset, and no longer, and each person whose name may be registered shall be entitled to vote.

Section 3. The name of any candidate for Mayor ^{or Alderman} of the Town of Chapel Hill shall be printed upon the official ballot, provided there is filed with the Town Clerk, not less than five days previous to the holding of said election, the name of such candidates and the office for which he is a candidate. After the expiration of the time for filing such notices of candidacy, the Town Clerk shall cause to be printed a sufficient number of the said ballots. The names of the candidates for Mayor shall be printed upon the official ballots in such manner that the name of each candidate shall appear at the top of an equal number of ballots and immediately above these names shall appear the words, "Vote for One".

The names of the candidates for Aldermen shall be printed upon the official ballots in such a manner that the name of each candidate shall appear at the top of the list on an equal number of ballots, and immediately above these names shall appear the words, "Vote for Three". The ballots shall be printed upon plain white paper and shall be headed, "Candidates for the office of Mayor of the Town of Chapel Hill", and "Candidates for the offices of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill", respectively. At the bottom of the ballots shall be printed the words, "Place a cross (X) in the square opposite the names of the person you favor as candidate for the respective position". P r o v i d e d that nothing herein shall prevent any qualified registered voter from being a candidate in such an election, whether notices of his candidacy be filed or not, provided he shall, at his own cost and expense, prepare ballots bearing his name. P r o v i d e d, further, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing any elector from marking out any name which might appear on such ballots and substituting therefor the name of any other person he may favor for the respective position. When the election shall be finished the registrar and Judges of the election shall count the ballots, reading aloud the names of the persons which shall appear on each ballot; and if there shall be two or more ballots rolled up together, or any ballot which contains the names of more persons than the elector has a right to vote for, or shall have a device or ornament upon it, such ballot shall not be numbered in counting the ballots, but shall be voided; and the counting of votes shall be continued by the Judges until completed and results thereof declared and such person receiving the highest number of votes as Mayor shall be declared duly elected to such office for the ensuing term of two years; and the three persons receiving the highest number of votes as Aldermen shall be declared duly elected as such for the ensuing term of four years.

Section 4. That the place of holding the election is hereby designated as the old Peoples Bank Building on the North side of Franklin Street between Henderson and Columbia Streets.

Section 5. That Mr. C. B. Griffin is hereby designated and appointed registrar for this election and Mr. S. W. Andrews and Mr. M. W. Durham are hereby designated and appointed Judges of this election, who, before entering upon the discharge of their duties shall take an oath, before some person authorized by law to administer oaths, to conduct the election fairly and impartially according to the constitution and laws of the State of North Carolina and Charter of the Town of Chapel Hill.

Section 7. The notices of this election shall be published in Chapel Hill Weekly and Chapel Hill News.

The Manager stated that in accordance with a resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen at a meeting on March 23rd, Dr. Coker has examined the condition of the tree on Franklin Street near the Paulson Smoke Shop, and that Dr. Coker had recommended that the tree remain on the street, that the two limbs hanging on the street be taken off and the tree braced with a wooden or iron brace placed just back of the curb in such a manner that the tree would be supported thereby. Upon motion of Alderman Eubanks, seconded by Alderman Wills, the following resolution was adopted.

Section 1. That the Manager shall express to Dr. Coker the thanks for his suggestion regarding the tree on Franklin Street near the Paulson Smoke Shop.

There being no further business the Board of Aldermen adjourned.

Mayor

Clerk