

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF  
CHAPEL HILL HELD IN THE TOWN OFFICE AT 8:00 P.M., JANUARY 12, 1938

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The regular meeting of the board of aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill was held in the Town Office Wednesday, January 12, 1938, at 8:00 P.M. Mayor Foushee presided and the following Aldermen were present: F. O. Bowman, R. J. M. Hobbs, P. H. Robertson, R. H. Wettach, G. B. Hellen, and P. L. Burch. Also present were C. P. Hinshaw, E. E. Peacock, and J. L. Caldwell. Visitors included Dr. Richardson, Health Officer, and members of the Parent Teachers Association.

After the meeting was called to order by the Mayor, the Clerk read the minutes of the last regular meeting, and the board approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Subject: Sidewalk on Pittsboro Road by High School.

Members of the Parent Teachers Association appeared before the board in the interest of a sidewalk on the Pittsboro highway by the High School. The state highway had offered assistance in the construction of the walk and the widening of the road if the right-a-way could be secured from the University. When the University refused, the State Highway backed out. Alderman Burch reported that he thought that the University would open a place for a sidewalk under the Trestle. The Board then agreed that the Town would construct a gravel sidewalk from the Carolina Inn to the High School.

SUBJECT: Westwood Boundary Survey.

Mr. Caldwell reported that the Engineer had not completed the survey.

SUBJECT: Time Saving Device at Incinerator.

Mr. Caldwell stated that, at present, they were using an extra laborer at the incinerator twice each week to haul tin cans in a wheelbarrow from the incinerator to a law place back of the plant. He thought that this method would be sufficient for about a year and thus save the cost of a device.

SUBJECT: New Gas Tank

Mr. Caldwell stated that the Standard Oil Co. had already replaced the old tank with a new electric tank. Forms for keeping check on gasoline bought and consumed by the Town will be prepared by Auditor Peacock.

SUBJECT: State Highway Allotment for Maintenance of Highways through City.

Mr. Hinshaw read the letter he received from the State Highway Dep't. They stated that there was only a little balance left over from

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last year and that this was carried over into this year's allotment.

SUBJECT: Tax on Mrs. Burnham's Jewelry in New York Bank.

The Attorney General ruled that neither the county nor the Town could tax tangible personal property held outside the state.

Upon motion by Alderman Wettach and seconded by Alderman Robertson, the board approved the release of the 1932 tax on Mrs. A. C. Burnham's jewelry held in a New York Bank at the time.

SUBJECT: Installation of New Street Lights.

Mr. Caldwell reported that the University was going to install the new lights at no cost to the Town. This is not to constitute an agreement between the University and the Town that all future lights will be installed free of charge.

SUBJECT: Stop Light at Corner of Hillsboro and Franklin Streets.

Upon motion by Alderman Burch, seconded by Alderman Bowman, the board approved the installation of a new suspended stop light at the corner of Hillsboro and Franklin Streets. The costs are to be borne equally by the University and the Town.

SUBJECT: Use of Old Town Hall for City Court Room.

Mr. Caldwell stated that Mrs. Unstead had been notified of the board's action, but that the sewing circle had not moved.

Upon motion by Alderman Bowman, seconded by Alderman Burch, the board instructed Mr. Caldwell to proceed in arranging for the sewing club to move.

SUBJECT: Mr. Peacock and Mr. Rogerson's Meeting to Discuss the University's Contribution To Town.

Mr. Peacock stated that he and Mr. Rogerson had not met, but would proceed within the next week or two.

SUBJECT: Chief Sloan's Collection of Delinquent Taxes.

Mr. Caldwell reported that Chief Sloan had collected \$845.71 to date. Mr. Peacock stated that he thought the collections were small in view of the fact that delinquent accounts amounting to approximately \$3500 was turned over to him.

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SUBJECT: Taxes Erroneously Charged to J. S. Hill on Property  
in Greater School District.

Upon motion by Alderman Burch, seconded by Alderman Bowman, the board ordered the Tax Collector to refund Taxes erroneously charged and paid by Mr. Hill from 1930 through 1936, on property in the Greater School District which he did not own, and also to release the 1937 taxes on the same. These taxes were charged Mr. Hill in error since he at no time during this period owned any property in the Chapel Hill School District.

NEW BUSINESS

SUBJECT: Health Report by Dr. Richardson.

Dr. Richardson stated that few cases of diseases were reported during 1937. The dairies were in considerable better condition now than at the beginning of the year. Although the problem has been very difficult, something has been accomplished and prospects for improvements are bright. Dr. Richardson stated that \$100,000 had been allocated to North Carolina to fight Venereal diseases, and that he was trying to get Chapel Hill's proportionate share of this. "Our requirements are necessary in order to participate, and Dr. Richardson states that Chapel Hill meets all in case the Town would contribute \$30 per month to the Health Dep't. during the summer when the movie guild ceases to function. This would give local support to the Health Dept. all during the year and assure Chapel Hill of a proportion of the funds. The Health Dept. has acquired a new trailer equipped to hold Tuberculosis Clinics. Meat inspection fees collected during November and December amounted to \$9.60.

Upon motion by Alderman Burch, seconded by Alderman Bowman, the board moved to guarantee \$30 in June to support the Health Office when the Movie Guild is not contributing. This will be charged to the Contingency Fund.

SUBJECT: Report by City Manager.

Mr. Caldwell reported that the Bank of Chapel Hill had bought the \$16,000 Bond issue at a very favorable interest rate.

The new signs to be put up arrived and will be put up the following week.

The Police Committee met and decided to enforce the buming and two hour parking ordinances.

The street committee inspected the situation at Mrs. Burnham's and found that water was running in her yard from the street, due to lack of sufficient drainage.

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SUBJECT: Report by City Manager (Continued)

Alderman Wettach moved that the City Manager use part of the balance of P. W. A. funds to enlarge the catch basin in order to get more drainage. Alderman Hobbs seconded and the board approved.

On January 10, the Revenue Anticipation note was reduced \$5,000, and a new note was issued to the Waccamaw Bank & Trust Co. for \$15,000, at the same rate of interest. The following resolutions were passed by the board:

RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL, N. C.:

- Section 1, That in order to anticipate receipts collected from taxes for the current year and past years, it is necessary to borrow the sum of \$15,000.00,--
- Section 2, That Notes for \$15,000.00 dated January 10, 1938, and maturing April 10, 1938, be sold by the Local Government Commission at Raleigh to the lowest bidder, interest payable at maturity,--
- Section 3, That the said Note shall be signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the Clerk, under the corporate seal of the Town.

The proposed Revenue Anticipation Note for \$15,000 is to take care of cash deficit in the Debt Service Fund and for Current Operations. These funds have been provided for in the Debt Service and Operation Budget, but at present they are tied up in the Certificate of Sales and Receivables. They represent uncollected Street Assessments, Sewer Rent and Taxes Receivable.

The sum of \$15,000.00 is considered adequate for the above needs.

SUBJECT: Stationing Highway Patrolman in Chapel Hill.

The board instructed the City Manager and Attorney to draw up resolutions and a petition to the State Highway Dept. to station a Highway Patrolman in Chapel Hill. The petition will be signed by the Board and Mayor and be presented to the State Highway Dept. in Raleigh.

The City Clerk is to request the University to send a similar petition.

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SUBJECT: West Franklin Street Paving Assessments.

Alderman Hobbs reported the final hearing had been completed and that Mr. Caldwell was busy getting up financial information relative to the change in assessments.

SUBJECT: Letter from S. W. Andrews.

The new paving made a steep grade from the street to S. W. Andrews' drive. He constructed a bridge from the street to the drive in order that cars might enter, and now asks that the Town help bear the expense. The board deferred action until next meeting.

SUBJECT: Privilege Licenses Paid but not Credited to Account.

Sutton Drug Co. and B. W. Foister claimed payment of certain privilege licenses by producing as evidence cancelled checks which had cleared through the bank to the credit of the Town of Chapel Hill.

Action was deferred until next meeting by the board.

SUBJECT: Resolution approving sale and rate of interest of  
\$16,000 Bonds of the Town of Chapel Hill

Upon motion of Alderman F. O. Bowman, seconded by Alderman P. L. Burch, the following resolution was adopted, all the Aldermen present voting in the affirmative therefor, none voting "no", said resolution being as follows: R. J. M. Hobbs, R. H. Wettach, P. H. Robertson, G. B. Hellen, F. O. Bowman, P. L. Burch.

A RESOLUTION  
APPROVING SALE AND FIXING THE  
RATE OF INTEREST OF \$16,000 OF  
BONDS OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

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

Section 1. That the sale of the \$16,000 Street Improvement Bonds of the Town of Chapel Hill, made by the Local Government Commission on January 11, 1938 to Oscar Burnett & Company, of Greensboro, N. C., at the purchase price of \$16,063.63 and accrued interest from date of bonds to date

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of delivery, the first \$10,000 of maturing bonds to bear interest at the rate of 3½% per annum, and the last maturing \$6,000 to bear interest at the rate of 3½% per annum, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved, and the Local Government Commission is authorized and requested to take such steps as may be necessary to complete the sale and delivery of the bonds.

Section 2. That the said \$16,000 Street Improvement Bonds shall bear interest, the first \$10,000 of maturing bonds, being bonds Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive, at the rate of 3½% per annum, and the last maturing \$6,000 of bonds, being bonds Nos. 11 to 16 inclusive, to bear interest at the rate of 3½% per annum, all interest payable at the place and times as set forth in the resolution adopted by this Board on the 8th day of December, 1937.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned until the next regular meeting.

Signed

*A. L. Swain*  
Town Clerk

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\$ 89.67 /Month

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