MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL HELD AUGUST 13, 1941

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The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill held its regular monthly meeting in the Town Hall on Wednesday night, April 13, 1941, with Mayor Foushee presiding and the following Aldermen present: Messrs. P. L. Burch, R. J. M. Hobbs, G. O. Davis, F. O. Bowman and R. B. Fitch. Alderman Madry was absent. Also present were E. E. Peacock and J. L. Caldwell.

Subject: Rock wall torn down by Town in front of Miss Lentz's house on Mallett Street.

Miss Lentz reported that the Town had removed part of her rock wall in front of her house on Mallett Street without giving her notice. The City Manager stated that the wall extended into the sidewalk and obstructed traffic and, therefore, he had the Town crew remove it. The Board of Aldermen stated that in the future the City Manager should give notice to property owners before destroying their property.

The Board of Aldermen asked the Street Committee to investigate the possibility of improving the sidewalk on Mallett Street.

Miss Lentz also stated that twice during the past two years sewer from the Town's main had backed into the basement of her house. The City Manager explained that he thought this situation had been corrected by the placing of a man hole at the point where the Town main had been stopping up.

Subject: Safety Driving School.

Mrs. H. D. Crockford, Chairman of the Safety Committee appointed by the P.T.A., to arouse the interest of young people in the necessity of safe driving appeared before the Board asking for funds to be used in the purchase of gasoline and oil for cars to be used by the driving school. The P.T.A. is looking for an instructor and would like for the Town to provide up to $25.00 for gas and oil.

The Board stated that it would take the matter under advisement.

Subject: Privilege License on Bakery Products.

Mr. R. L. Ray, of the Hill Bakery, asked the Board to raise the license on bakeries selling their products in Chapel Hill in order to eliminate cut-throat competition. The Board of Aldermen, after discussing the matter, deferred a decision until the matter could be thoroughly investigated by Mr. Bowman.

Subject: Police Report was read by the Clerk.

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Subject: The collection of personal property taxes.

The Board of Aldermen discussed the collection of personal property taxes and, upon motion by Alderman Bowman and seconded by Alderman Fitch, the Board moved that the Tax Collector garnishee and levy for all uncollected 1940 personal property taxes.

Subject: Auditor's Report.

Mr. Peacock reported that the gasoline report revealed an overage of 6½ gallons.

Subject: Delegate to N. C. Municipal League Convention.

The Mayor stated that the convention of the N. C. League of Municipalities would be held on the 14 and 15 of August, and that the Town should appoint a delegate.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL: That Mayor John M. Foushee is hereby authorized to represent this municipality at the 33rd annual convention of the N. C. League of Municipalities to be held in Durham August 14-16 and to vote in the election of League officers and other matters of State wide municipal policy.

Subject: By-paths for trucks around Chapel Hill.

The Clerk read a petition sent to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen by Dr. Prouty petitioning the State Highway to construct a by-road for trucks and heavy traffic around Chapel Hill. Upon motion by Alderman Hobbs and seconded by Alderman Burch, the Board of Aldermen authorized the Town Clerk to write Dr. Prouty and explain the Town's interest in the project and that the Town and Board of Aldermen favor it, but since it is an old project and already under consideration by the University and other groups, the Board of Aldermen hopes that all forces can unite on a particular route before presenting a petition to the State Highway Department.

Subject: Memorandum from H. D. Meyer on the Boy Scout Jubilee.

The Mayor stated that H. D. Meyer had asked the Town's permission for the Boy Scouts to parade in Chapel Hill during their jubilee. The Board of Aldermen authorized the Mayor to write Dr. Meyer granting this permission.

Subject: Street by Community Center.

It was reported that the street by the Negro Community Center Building was in very bad shape. The Mayor stated that Mr. Collier Cobb had agreed to lend the Town his grader for a week or two, and asked the City Manager to borrow this grader and improve this Street.

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Subject: Beautifying Ground Around the Sewer Plant.

The Mayor presented a picture of the Sewer Plant in Hickory, N. C., where the grounds had been improved and flowers and shrubs planted, and asked the Board of Aldermen to be thinking about the improvement and beautification of the grounds leading to the Chapel Hill Sewer Plant.

Subject: C. H. Wright asked for extension of employment.

Alderman Davis stated that Mr. Wright had asked him to bring before the Board his request for an extension of one month of his employment as policeman. The Board of Aldermen did not grant this request.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned until 5:00 o'clock, August 21, 1941.

Town Clerk