MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN AT TOWN HALL AT
8:00 P. M. SEPTEMBER 13, 1944

Mayor Madry presided over this meeting with the following members Of the Board of Aldermen present: Messers Fitch, Wettach, Strowd, and Hobbs. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Release of Fire Department Property from Taxation

Mr. P. R. Perry, Fire Chief, appeared before the Board and requested that the delinquent taxes on the property owned by the Fire Department be released. He stated that the property was purchased for use as a place for recreation by the firemen, each owning a share or shares of the stock, but that several of the original group had died or had left the employment of the town. Recently the property has been used for dweeling purposes and it was their desire to sell it and divide the proceeds among the remaining members and the widows of the deceased members. No action was taken on this matter. Mr. Hinshaw was asked to look into the matter from a legal standpoint, as it was the opinion of the members of the board that they did not have authority to release the property from taxes.

Mr. Perry also spoke to the Board about raising the salary of the firemen should be raised because of their long period of efficient service. Action on this was postponed until a later meeting.

Depository for Town of Chapel Hill Funds

Mr. Hinson read a letter from the Service Insurance and Realty Company requesting a copy of the resolution designating the Bank of Chapel as depository for the Town of Chapel Hill funds. Alderman Wettach made a motion that the Bank of Chapel be designated as the official depository for the Town of Chapel Hill funds. This was seconded by Alderman Hobbs and was unanimously adopted by the Board.

Bill from Miss Alice Jones Regarding Repair of Sewer Line

Mr. Hinson read a letter from Miss Alice Jones, which had a bill inclosed, for repair of sewer line. She stated that Mr. Caldwell had agreed to help keep up the line. After discussion by the members of the Board, Alderman Wettach made a motion that the bill as presented be declined. This was seconded by Alderman Hobbs and was unanimously adopted by the Board.

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Reimbursement for the Payment of School Taxes

A letter from Mr. M. J. Dawson demanding reimbursement for the Greater School District taxes, which he paid December, 1943, under protest was read to the Board. The members of the Board discussed this problem at length, and Mr. Hinshaw, Town Attorney, advised them that the request should be denied on the grounds that the claim wasn't made within 30 days, as provided by law, after the payment was made. Alderman Hobbs made a motion that the request be denied on the grounds that it was a legal tax and demand for reimbursement was not made within thirty days after payment was made. This motion was seconded by Alderman Fitch and was unanimously adopted by the Board.

Reduction in Privilege License

The request of Poe-Mangum that their privilege license to sell cars be reduced was brought to the attention of the Board. Alderman Hobbs made a motion that the charge be reduced by 25%. This was seconded by Alerman Fitch and was unanimously adopted by the Board.

Transfer of Funds from Contingency Account

The Board was informed that the extra bed purchased because of the addition of another fireman to the force had caused this account to be overspent. Alderman Hobbs made a motion that $18.30 be transferred from the contingency account to the Firemen's account to take care of this expense. Sectoned by Alderman Wettach and unanimously adopted.

Bid on Lots

Mr. Hinson reported that a bid of $4,000 has been received for the lots which were advertised for sale. This was still open for the receipt of increased bids, and nothing was done at this time.

Purchase of Property On North Columbia Street

Mr. Hinson reported that Mr. Kutz wanted to buy the property at the intersection of the airport roads, the old and the new ones, as a protection of his own property. Alderman Strowd made a mo-

tion ... ised for sale, reserving a suitable amount for a sidewa... ...de. Seconded by Alderman Fitch and unanimously adopted by ... Board.

Resignation of Dr. Richardson

The resignation of the Health Officer, Dr. Richardson, was presented to the Board. Alderman Wettach made a motion that the resignation be accepted and that the splendid services rendered by him were appreciated. This was seconded by Alderman Hobbs and unanimously adopted by the Board.

Release of property taxes on Mr. Hinshaw's property

Mr. Hinshaw asked the Board to appoint someone to make a survey of the school district line near his property to determine whether or not his property was within the district, if it were he would pay his taxes immediately, and if it were outside the district he requested that his back taxes be released. Alderman Fitch made a motion that the City Manager get a civil engineer to go out there and make a survey of the west boundary of the school district. Seconded by Alderman Hobbs and unanimously adopted.

Post War Planning Committee

The work of the Post War Planning Committee in connection with the extension of the town limits was brought up for discussion. Alderman Fitch made a motion that the Board be authorized to have a survey made of the proposed city limits. Seconded by Alderman Strowd and unanimously adopted by the Board.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

W B Nash

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Clerk