

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF ALDERMEN TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL
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Mayor Madry presided over the meeting, all members being present except Alderman Bowman. The Minutes of the preceding meetings were read and approved.

Alderman Lanier submitted a resolution of appreciation to the State Planning Board and upon motion of Alderman Hobbs, seconded by Alderman Burch, the following was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill formally express their appreciation to the State Planning Board for the very careful and exhaustive survey of the Town of Chapel Hill to determine the advisability of extending the Town's limits; also, for the written report of the Planning Board's findings and recommendations, all of which was done without cost to Chapel Hill and which will, for a long time, be a valuable source of information for the Town of Chapel Hill.

The petition of Farmers Mutual Exchange to have Robertson Street rezoned for business was again discussed and Alderman Hobbs made a motion to grant the petition, and to require a set back on the east side of said street in line with the Farmer's Dairy. Seconded by Alderman Davis. Those voting in the affirmative were Aldermen Hobbs, Davis, Lanier and Burch. Alderman Fitch opposed granting the petition. Since a three fourths vote of the Board was necessary to change the zone, the motion was not carried.

Upon motion of Alderman Lanier, seconded by Alderman Burch, all members present voting in the affirmative therefor, the following ordinance was unanimously adopted:

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

Section 1. That the zone on the Eastern side of Roberson Street between West Franklin Street and Cameron Avenue is hereby changed from Residence Zone A to Business Zone 2, the same beginning at a point in the center of Roberson Street and following the center of said street to a point 100 feet from Cameron Avenue, and proceeding thence in an easterly direction parallel with Cameron Avenue 100 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction parallel to Roberson Street to a point established by measuring 100 feet from West Franklin Street in the opposite direction; thence in a westerly direction parallel to West Franklin Street to the point of beginning.

Section 2. That all ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

This the 12th day of March, 1947.

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Mae Wilkie
Clerk

Upon motion of Alderman Lanier, seconded by Alderman Burch, all members present voting in the affirmative therefor, the following ordinance was unanimously adopted:

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Upon motion of Alderman Lanier, seconded by Alderman Burch, all members present voting in the affirmative therefor, the following ordinance was unanimously passed:

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

Section 1. That from and after this date no building or fixture shall be constructed on the East Side of Roberson Street nearer to the said street than the continuation of the line of the west exterior wall of the Farmer's Dairy Cooperative Building.

Section 2. Any person or persons violating the terms of this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a penalty of \$50.00 per day for each day such violation occurs.

This the 12th day of March, 1947.

Mae Wilkie
Clerk

Mayor Madry stated that he was trying to arrange a meeting with University Officials to discuss the proposed extension of the Town limits and other related problems.

Mr. Hinson submitted a letter from Plumbing Inspector Sparrow in which he complained of Mr. A. S. Blackwood not cooperating in obtaining permits from the Town Office. Mr. Hinson stated that he had talked with Mr. Blackwood and he felt that the situation would be taken care of.

Mr. Hinson read the report of the Police Department for the month of February.

Upon motion of Alderman Burch, seconded by Alderman Hobbs, All Aldermen present voting in the affirmative therefor, the Board of Aldermen

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passed the following ordinance:

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

Section 1. Pursuant to the charter of the Town of Chapel Hill and the General Laws of the State of North Carolina governing elections in municipalities, an election is hereby called to be held on Tuesday, May 6, 1947 for the purpose of electing a mayor, four aldermen and the judge of recorders court - the mayor to serve for a term of two years, three aldermen to serve for a term of four years, one alderman to serve for a term of two years, completing the term of Bruce Strowd, resigned, and the judge of the recorders court to serve for a term of two years.

Section 2. The polls to be opened on the day of election from 6:30 A. M. until 6:30 P. M. Eastern Standard Time 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, Alderman or Judge of Recorders Court shall be printed upon the official ballot, provided there is filed with the Town Clerk not less than fifteen days previous to the holding of such election, the name of each candidate 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 said ballots. Provided 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 person he may favor for the respective position. When the election shall be finished and the Registrar and Judges of the election shall count the ballots; and if there shall be two or more ballots rolled together, or any ballots which contain the names of more persons than the elector has the 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 the votes shall be continued by the Judges until completed and the result therefor declared. 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 candidates for the four year terms as Aldermen, shall be duly elected for the ensuing term; and the person receiving the highest number of votes, as candidate for the two year term as Alderman, shall be duly elected for the ensuing term; and the person receiving the highest number of votes as Judge of the Recorders Court shall be duly elected for the ensuing term of two years. All duly elected officers will be eligible to assume office on May 7th, upon taking the oath.

Section 4. That the place of holding the election is hereby designated as the Fire Department in the Town Hall on the Northwest corner at the intersection of Rosemary and Columbia Streets.

Section 5. That Rev. R. L. Bolton is hereby designated and appointed Registrar for this election, and V. A. Hill and Mrs. J. F.

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Crawford are hereby designated and appointed Judges of this election, who before entering upon the discharge of their duties shall take 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 the Charter of the Town of Chapel Hill.

Section 6. For the purpose of voting at said election, the registration books shall be open for registration of any new electors beginning on April 19th and continuing through April 26th (except Sunday) at the Chapel Hill Fire Department in the Town Hall. The registration book shall be open on each Saturday from 9:00 A. M. to 9:00 P. M. and on each other day of said election period, except Saturday, from 9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

That Saturday April 26th shall be designated as Challenge Day. That the registration for this election shall close on Saturday, April 26th and that this ordinance shall be posted in three places.

Mac Wilkes
Clerk

Mr. Hinson presented a map showing a plot for the proposed development of a residential section known as "Mount Bolus" to be developed by the owners G. C. Kyker, R. M. Trimble and P. E. Shearin. The plan called for a 30-foot road and the Board asked Mr. Hinson to request the owners to make a 40-foot road through the development.

Alderman Lanier discussed the matter of organized recreation for Chapel Hill and stated that before the end of this fiscal year it might be well to have a special election to determine if the citizens wanted to support the organized program. He brought out the fact that the Attorney General had ruled that tax receipts could not be used for such purposes unless it was specifically granted by a vote of the people. After discussion, Alderman Lanier made a motion to request Rep. Umstead to introduce a bill in the legislature to provide for such an election. Seconded by Alderman Burch and unanimously passed. A copy of the proposed bill is attached hereto.

Alderman Hobbs discussed a plan for an orderly development of areas surrounding a town, which had been introduced in Winston Salem. He stated the plan called for zoning the areas within a five mile limit for the proper development of such areas. After discussion, Alderman Burch made a motion to submit the plan to the Planning Commission for their study and recommendations. Seconded by Alderman Fitch and unanimously passed.

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Alderman Davis asked for permission to pave the bare spot in front of his station. He stated that Poe-Mangum also wanted to pave to the curb in front of their business. Alderman Hobbs made a motion to permit the two businesses to pave to the street curb at their own expense. Seconded by Alderman Fitch and unanimously passed.

Their being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Mae Wilkie

Clerk