

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL  
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A special meeting was held July 1, 1947 with all members of the Board present. Mayor Madry presided and others present were Mr. Hinson, Mr. Hinshaw and Mr. Peacock.

The purpose of the meeting was to go over the proposed budget in detail. Copies of the previous years budget were passed to the members and Mr. Hinson went over the proposed budget item by item so that a comparison could be made and any changes noted.

It was the opinion of the Board that the office of Assistant Tax Collector could be dispensed with for the present time, and it was decided not to appropriate any money for this office for the year 1947-48. They were of the opinion that special cases, if any, could be taken care of by an appropriation from the contingency fund.

The matter of auditing Court Records was discussed and Mr. Peacock stated that he thought he could probably bring the audit up to date by October of this year. He stated that considerable work had been done starting with the time the court was established, and he thought the cases had been checked through the year 1943.

The amount set aside for care of dogs picked up by police was reduced to \$100.00 upon motion of Alderman Lanier, and seconded by Alderman Davis. Some question was raised as to the advisability of such action, but the majority of the board felt that some return should be received from Dr. Nathan for those dogs that were claimed by their owners. The Town Attorney was asked to check on the contract between the Town and Dr. Nathan which was discussed several months ago.

The question of picking up the Garbage for out of town residents was deferred until the regular meeting next week, but a tentative reduction of \$1,000 was made in the revenue expected from such service.

The matter of working over the streets during the summer months was discussed and Mr. Hinson reported to the Board that the money now invested in Government Bonds and the amount unexpended from the 1946-47 budget would probably take care of the street work. He stated that he had talked with Mr. Tarvia Jones about the work and Mr. Jones thought it could be done for about nineteen or twenty cents per yard if the Town rented all equipment needed and purchased all materials thereby eliminating the payment of federal excise taxes. Action was deferred until a later meeting.

The main item of the budget under discussion was the salaries of members of the police and fire departments. After considerable discussion, Alderman Lanier made the following motion: That the Board of Aldermen provide for the patrolment in the budget for the year 1947-48 an increase of \$5.00 per month plus 10% of their present salary. That the Board provide for the Chief of Plice an increase of 10% of his present salary. Alderman Burch seconded the motion. Those

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voting in the affirmative were Aldermen Burch, Lanier, Patterson and Davis. Alderman Hobbs did not vote and Alderman Fitch was not present when the vote was taken.

Alderman Davis made a motion that the salaries of the paid firemen be as follows: That the salary of the lowest man, Mr. Ray, be increased to \$145.00 per month and then grant him an increase of 10% of this amount. That the salaries of the other paid firemen be increased by 10% of their present salary. Seconded by Alderman Burch and unanimously passed.

Upon motion of Alderman Burch, seconded by Alderman Lanier, the salary of the cemetery attendant was increased \$5.00 per month.

As the hour was getting late, the Board decided to defer other discussions until the next meeting.

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