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A meeting of members of the Board of Aldermen and Officials of the University of North Carolina was called for the purpose of discussing steps to be taken to relieve the present situation involving a health hazard to the entire community, with regard to the inadequacy of present sewage treatment plant and incinerator.

Town Manager Ray, Dr. Garvin and Mr. Westbrook, Chapel Hill Health Officers, and T. D. Rose, Engineer, reported that the present sewage plant and sewer lines, long overloaded 100 percent beyond their normal capacity, have become so overtaxed as a result of the increased population this fall that a breakdown of the entire system may occur at any time with consequent grave dangers to the health of the community.

A plan for a proposed bond issue, calling for a total outlay of \$275,000 by the town, was discussed at length. The estimates made by Engineer Rose allotted \$265,000 for a new sewage treatment plant, \$119,802 for sewer lines, \$15,198 for improvements at the old plant, including a new sludge bed, and \$50,000 for a new incinerator, making a total of \$450,000. In view of the joint use of these facilities, the University would absorb half of this cost, making the town's share \$225,000. The proposed bond issue also calls for an expenditure by the town of \$14,000 for seal coating present streets, \$19,000 for hard-surfacing dirt streets, and \$17,000 for equipment.

The representatives of the University Administration, Business Manager Claude E. Teague, J. S. Bennett, Supervisor of Operations, and A. H. Shepard, Assistant to the Business Manager, met with the Board of Aldermen to discuss all plans submitted.