

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Board of Aldermen - Chapel Hill, N.C.  
February 9, 1949

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Town Hall, February 9, 1949 at 8:00 P.M. Mayor Madry presided. Present were Aldermen Burch, Fowler, Hobbs, Davis, Fitch. Also present were Messrs: Hinshaw, Peacock and Ray.

Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved.

Mr. Collier Cobb advised the Board that the Planning Board has been working for many months on a new zoning ordinance and town map for the Town. The ordinance and map are now completed and the group would like to hold a public hearing on March 2nd, 1949. After this public hearing the committee will be ready to make recommendations to the Board of Aldermen. Mr. Cobb asked if March 2nd at 8:00 P.M. would be convenient for the members of the Board to be present for the meeting. That date and time were decided upon.

Mr. Sam Emory, Chairman of the School Board, speaking for a delegation of the Jaycees, stated that the Jaycees have proposed to develop the athletic field at the Chapel Hill High School. They will provide trucks and labor but they need dirt. The dirt they have found that they feel they could use is at the site of the new sewerage plant in which the Town has half interest. They asked the Town to donate fifty to seventy-five loads of this dirt to be used for the development of the athletic field.

Mr. Ray stated that there are complications to be considered before granting this request. The first is that the University owns one half interest in the land and they should be consulted before any authority could be given for removing the dirt, and it is the opinion of Mr. Ray that after the sewerage plant is completed there will be some top soil needed around the plant. Mr. Putnam said that the soil is needed by next week so that the field can be put in shape for baseball this spring. Mr. Madry appointed Messrs. Burch, Hobbs, Fitch and Ray to serve on a committee to make investigation of this request and find a suitable place from which the soil can be secured. This committee will meet on Friday February 11th, and report their findings to Mr. C.W. Davis.

Mr. Peacock reported that he had examined the vouchers for the month of January and found them all in order.

Mr. Ray reported that by the gas meter the gas for the month of January checks right but ~~by~~ the tickets signed by employees are 153 gallons short which convinces him that some of the employees are failing to turn in tickets when they fill the tanks of the equipment. This check indicates that there is no leak in the tank and Mr. Ray will do everything possible to find the ones not turning in tickets.



Mr. Ray reported on a meeting of the Zoning Committee which was called by Mr. Madry at 2:30 P.M. February 9th. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the petition of Miss Josephine Pritchard to make four apartments in her home. After discussion Mr. McClamroch moved that she be granted a permit to do this provided she would always reserve 20,000 square feet of land for the house and provide off street parking space for all tenants. It was decided to wait until after the public hearing of the new zoning ordinance on March 2nd for this Board to make any decision.

Mr. Ray reported that he, Mr. C.W. Davis and Mr. J. Temple Gobble attended the meeting of the County Commissioners on Tuesday to request that they levy and collect the school tax in the greater school district. On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Cobb of the county Commissioners called Mr. Ray and advised him that they have agreed to levy and collect the tax and they have advised Mr. Eskridge to draw the necessary bill.

Mr. Ray reported that last Friday morning he attended a hearing in Raleigh of the House Committee on Roads with reference to getting part of the tax on gasoline. He said the meeting was favorable but he does not know the result as yet.

Mr. Ray advised that he had Mr. Weaver make a survey of the property the Board is contemplating buying from Mr. Umstead. Their survey showed that to buy the land as Mr. Umstead wanted to sell it would be necessary to take quite a bit of woods and rocky land. Later Mr. Ray called Mr. Umstead and Mr. Umstead agreed to omit the woods and rocky land from the contract. That will leave approximately ten acres in the part the Town will want. Mr. Ray asked that he be allowed to buy the land from the contingency fund and when the money of the Cemetery Fund is cleared with the University it can be refunded to the contingency fund. Mr. Hobbs moved that the City Manager be authorized to purchase land for a new colored cemetery from the contingency fund to be refunded to the contingency fund when the money becomes available. Seconded by Mr. Burch and unanimously carried.

Mr. Ray told the Board that in 1948, a vacant lot on Church St. owned by Cobb and Hornaday was erroneously listed at \$3,350.00 and tax was paid along with that on other property. Later Mr. Hornaday found the error in the listing of the lot and reported it to Mr. Ray and Mr. Ward in Hillsboro. It should have been listed at \$350.00 instead of \$3,350.00. The county has made a refund of the tax on \$3,000.00 valuation. Mr. Fowler made a motion that the tax collected by mistake be refunded to Cobb and Hornaday. Seconded by Mr. Hobbs and unanimously carried.

A similar case was that of Mr. W.P. Lloyd. In 1945 he lived on North Street and in the early summer he moved out of town to Davie Circle. To verify this statement we have found a record of a charge for garbage service outside the city limits which began sometime before July 1, 1945.

Last month taxes were collected for 1945 when he was in town, 1946 when he was apparantly out of town and for 1947 when he was out of town. He operates a barber shop in town and in 1947 that was listed as personal property tax in town. It looks as though we have collected \$12.71 for 1946 and \$2.68 for 1947 that he does not owe. Mr. Lloyd went to Hillsboro and brought back copies of his listings for these years and they indicate that his statements are correct. Mr. Burch moved that the tax be refunded as it was apparantly collected in error. Seconded by Mr. Fitch and unanimously carried.

Mr. Ray read the report of the Helath Department made by Mr. James A. Westbrook. It was Mr. Hobbs opinion that when they make tests the results of their findings should be shown in their report. Mr. Ray was requested to ask for a more detailed report.

Mr. Ray read the report of the fire department for the year of 1948 and also seperate report covering November, December and January.

Upon Motion of Mr. Burch, seconded by Mr. Fitch and unanimous consent the following ordinance was adopted:

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

Section 1. - That section 6 Article 1 of the taxicab ordinance effective as of February 15, 1946, is hereby amended by striking out the work "twenty-five" in line two of said section and inserting the work "thirty-five" in lieu.

Section 2 - This amendment to become effective immediately.

This 9th day of February, 1949.

Louis D. Talbot  
Town Clerk.

Upon motion of Mr. Fitch seconded by Mr. Burch and unanimous consent the following ordinance was adopted:

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

Section 1 - That no person driving a horse drawn vehicle or a motor vehicle going in a eastward direction through the intersection of E. Franklin Street and Henderson Street shall make a "U" turn at said intersection thereby reversing his direction of travel.

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CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

Louis Graves, Editor

October 10, 1949

To Town  
Utilities  
Board of Aldermen,  
Chapel Hill, NC.

Gentlemen:

On behalf of my sister, Mrs Rees, who lives at 519 Hooper Lane, I request that you provide a sewer line on Hooper Lane so that she can make a connection with it from her house.

The present sewer on Hooper Lane was put down several years ago. Mr. Rose told me, when I called him on the telephone last week, ~~that~~ that he did not then know whether or not the sewer was laid by the town, or by <sup>an</sup> individual property owner, but that he would inquire into this. The sewer has been choked up several times, and the overflow from the manhole near the upper (west) end of it has caused complaint from the neighbors. Mrs. Rees does not want to make the connection from her house except with a ~~in~~ a proper town sewer. At present her ~~house~~ house outlet is through private property (the Kennette property next door), connecting with the Kennette line on this property. The outlet from her house has to pass through the ~~roots~~ roots of trees and has been stopped up several times. She does not want to have to continue to use the Kennette property for the outlet. She wants to ~~have~~ have a connection on the street in front of her house.

Sincerely,

Louis Graves



To  
Town Mgr  
Utilities Com

October 7, 1949

To The Honorable Board of Aldermen  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Gentlemen:

I hereby make application for and ask  
that a Taxi Stand be permitted and established  
at my Barbecue Stand located at the corner of  
Rosemary and Roberson Streets, in Chapel Hill,  
N. C.

Respectfully,

<sup>H.</sup>  
Foy Baker



Section 2 - That no person driving a motor vehicle or a horse drawn vehicle in a westward direction shall make a "U" turn at said intersection.

Section 3 - Any person or persons violating this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a penalty of \$10.00.

Louise H. Zalkat  
Town Clerk

Upon motion of Mr. Hobbs seconded by Mr. Fowler the following motion was adopted. Voting for the ordinance were Hobbs, Fowler and Davis. Against Fitch and Burch.

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

Section 1 - That any person approaching the intersection of Columbia with Franklin Street from any direction shall not make a "U" turn thereby reversing his direction of travel at said intersection.

Section 2 - That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3 - That any person violating this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a penalty of \$10.00.

This 9th day of February, 1949.

Louise H. Zalkat  
Town Clerk

Upon Motion of Mr. Burch, seconded by Mr. Fitch and unanimous consent the following ordinance was adopted.

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

Section 1 - It shall be unlawful for any person to park a horse drawn vehicle or a motor driven vehicle upon the sidewalks or in any area between the sidewalk and the curb.

Section 2 - Any person or persons violating this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a penalty of \$10.00.

Section 3 - All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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Louise H. Zalkat P. 69

Upon motion of Mr. Hobbs seconded by Mr. Burch and unanimous consent the following ordinance was adopted.

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

Section 1 - No person, firm or corporation shall park a motor vehicle or horse drawn vehicle on Battle Lane except as follows:

On the east side of Battle Lane from E. Franklin Street to Hooper Lane and on the west side of Battle Lane from Hooper Lane to East Cameron Avenue.

Section 2 - Any person violating this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a penalty of \$5.00.

This the 9th day of February 1949.

Louise H. Talbot  
Town Clerk

Upon motion of Mr. Burch, seconded by Mr. Davis and unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 10:40 P.M.

Louise H. Talbot  
Town Clerk