

Minutes Regular Meeting
Board of Aldermen - Chapel Hill, N.C.
January 9, 1950

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Town Hall on January 9th, 1950 at 8:00 P.M.

Present were Mayor Lanier, Aldermen Hobbs, Burch, Fowler, Putnam, Davis and Fitch; Town Attorney Hinshaw and Town Manager Rose.

Minutes of the January 4th meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Rose advised that he has obtained a price from the Chapel Hill Business Service for the typing of the audits for 1947-48 and 1948-49 in the amount of \$34.40. Mr. Peacock has agreed to accept this price less ten percent or \$31.00. Mr. Putnam moved that Mr. ~~Peacock~~ ^{like} be paid \$31.00 for the typing of the audits. Seconded by Mr. Hobbs and unanimously passed.

Mr. Rose read the monthly reports of the Fire and Health Departments.

Mr. Rose presented bills from the Nathan Veterinary Hospital for consideration and advice. Mr. Rose stated that he understood that cats were not to be ^{like} responsibility of the Town and since cats are included on the bill, he would know just what the agreement is between the Town and the hospital. After some discussion, Mr. Hobbs moved that the itemized bill be paid minus all charges for cats. Seconded by Mr. Putnam and unanimously passed.

Mr. Rose reported that he has employed Mr. W.P. Jordan to list the taxes for the town at a salary of \$200.00 per month *for one month.*

Mr. Rose advised that the jail needs painting very badly and he asked the members to go down to look at it. This was referred to the Town Properties committee to confer with Mr. Rose and report back to the Board with their recommendation.

Mayor Lanier asked the Board to adopt a statement of policy for the Town Manager's guidance in the handling of requests for lights on private property, private drives, etc. After considerable discussion and upon suggestion of Mr. Hobbs it was decided that the policy of the Board would be that the Town will not light private property or private drives.

Upon motion of Alderman Hobbs, seconded by Alderman Putnam and unanimous consent the following ordinance was adopted:

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

Section 1. That this ordinance shall become effective as of this date and all listing of town property for taxes shall be done by W.P. Jordan, Tax Lister, on behalf of the Town of Chapel Hill. That the City Manager shall prepare an abstract to be used for the listing of property both real and personal situated in the Town of Chapel Hill and shall appoint a tax lister each year for the purpose of tax listing, who shall serve in the same office at the same time as the tax lister for the county except on days when

when the county tax lister is in other parts of the township. The Town tax lister shall be on duty in the Board of Aldermen room in Chapel Hill from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. each day except Sunday during the month of January.

Section 2. That the value placed on all property by Orange County shall be the values placed on property listed with the Town of Chapel Hill list taker. That all property owners making a return to the Town Tax Lister shall sign the abstract and shall swear to its being true to the best of his knowledge

Section 3. That all laws relating to the listing of property for the County of Orange shall relate and apply to the listing of property in the Town of Chapel Hill.

All property listed shall be based on values of January 1st of the year in question.

Section 4. Any person or persons willfully failing or refusing to list property with the tax lister shall forfeit and pay a penalty of \$50.00.

This the 9th day of January, 1950.

Louise H. Zalkat
Town Clerk

Mr. Hinshaw presented report with portion of Mrs. Kluttz's will pertaining to check that has been turned over to the town for care of the cemetery. Mr. Hinshaw stated that in his opinion the check was to be a gift to the cemetery. After some discussion Mr. Fowler moved that the money be accepted and deposited to the cemetery fund. Seconded by Mr. Putnam and unanimously passed.

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

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

Section 1. That for the purpose of expediting traffic in the eastern section of Chapel Hill, Pickard Lane is made a one way street. All traffic using Pickard Lane shall travel from E. Rosemary Street to E. Franklin Street.

Section 2. No person shall drive a vehicle on said street going in a northerly direction.

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

Louise H. Zalkat
Town Clerk

Upon motion of Alderman Putnam, seconded by Mr. Hobbs and unanimous consent the following ordinance was passed.

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He thinks it will be an expensive hardship on the business to buy the equipment and materials for marking these areas. He suggested that the marking be done by the town as an experiment. Mr. Burch moved that the motion requiring the business to do the marking of sidewalk areas passed on January 4th, be removed. Seconded by Mr. Fowler. Voting for the motion were Messrs. Fowler, Burch, Putnam and Davis.

Mr. Burch moved that the sidewalk area of driveways be marked by the town at the town's expense for an experimental period. Seconded by Mr. Fowler and unanimously passed.

In order to clarify the minutes, Mr. Lanier asked the Board to review the agreement with Dr. Harold D. Meyer about the installation of a sewer line to his home on Dogwood Drive. It was decided the town will not issue a permit for additional connection to this line without written permission of Dr. Meyer for connection to the line since this is a privately installed line. Motion by Mr. Putnam that the minutes be so corrected. Seconded by Mr. Hobbs and unanimously passed.

By secret ballot, Miss Elizabeth Branson was elected to the Planning Board to succeed Mrs. W.C. Coker for term which expires July 1, 1954.

Mr. Rose asked that a fee be set for garbage disposal for people outside the town as well as a fee for business houses in town who haul their own garbage to the city dump. Mr. Burch moved that this be referred to the Finance Committee and Mr. Rose. Seconded by Mr. Putnam and unanimously passed.

Mr. Lanier stated that in his opinion, the town must not delay longer discussing with this community, those inside and those outside the town limits, the wisdom of extending or not extending the town limits. Before we go to small groups of residents of the community, we should know clearly why, when, how the question should be handled. He is persuaded that there is a plan for extending the present town limits which would be mutually satisfactory and advantageous to a majority of those now inside and a majority of those now outside. He thinks together the Board and the people can discover such a plan.

Mr. Lanier stated further that he has talked with Mr. Teague, Business Manager for the University, and got from him the impression, that the University stands ready to cooperate in this undertaking by agreeing to install additional water lines and power lines as rapidly as availability of materials would make possible.

Alderman Hobbs also added that he thought Davie Circle is a logical place to begin when we start extending the Town limits and that the majority of the people out there would be interested in discussing this question with the town.

Upon motion of Mr. Burch, seconded by Mr. Putnam and unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.