

Minutes Regular Meeting  
Board of Aldermen - Chapel Hill, N.C.  
May 22, 1950

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Town Hall on May 22nd at 8:00 P.M.

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

Minutes of the May 8th meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Rose reported that Mr. Phipps, Chairman of the Planning Board has agreed to have the \$450.00 for survey of Rosemary Street taken from their budget.

Mr. Rose reported that there have been several complaints about the way Isaiah Jackson is running his beer parlor on Rosemary Street. Chief Cloan and Capt. Blake of the police department were asked for a report on the conditions of this beer parlor. Mr. Blake reported that the business is in the rear of a building which makes it very hard for the police force to check the place on their rounds. The neighbors and people passing there have called the police several times about the undesirable language, fights etc. When the officers answer the calls they are seen before they can get to the beer parlor and the alarm is spread for quiet and order. Mr. Blake says it is run in such a way that it is a nuisance to the public and should be stopped. Mr. Sloan and Mr. Blake recommended that the beer permit in the name of Isaiah Jackson be revoked. After some discussion, Mr. Burch moved that beer license of Isaiah Jackson who operates a beer parlor on W. Rosemary Street, be revoked immediately. Seconded by Mr. Fowler and unanimously passed.

Mr. Lanier asked Mr. Hinshaw for a report on the case of Mrs. Bruce Whitmire vs. the Town of Chapel Hill for damages to her car. Mr. Hinshaw recommended that the request be declined on the grounds that Mrs. Whitmire was guilty of contributory negligence. Mr. Hobbs moved that the request be declined on the basis of the City Attorney's recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Fitch and unanimously passed.

Mr. Rose reported that Miss Moneyhan, principal of the elementary school, has advised him that in the fall when school re-opens the new school building will have been started and there will be no space on the school ground for the faculty to park their cars. She asked the Board to be thinking of the possibility of lifting the two hour parking restriction on W. Franklin Street by

the time school opens. The request was referred to Mr. Rose and the Safety Committee for study and recommendation.

Mr. Rose asked the Board to give him some definite understanding as to whether or not loudspeakers in cars should be allowed on the streets of Chapel Hill. This was referred to the Safety Committee, and the City Attorney for examination of the anti-noise ordinance for recommendation on adding an amendment to the ordinance to cover loudspeakers, etc.

Mr. Lanier advised that Mr. E.C. Smith has requested the town to consider bringing a sewer line to his lots on Hy. 54 at the Country Club Road intersection. It was the feeling of Mr. Hobbs that this would require a sewer line approximately  $3\frac{1}{4}$  mile long and the town is not in a position to build a line at this time. Mr. Rose will discuss it with Mr. Smith.

Mr. Lanier reported that several people have suggested that the public should be reminded that they should apply for a building permit before a building is started or before any alterations are started on any building~~s~~. They should check the zoning ordinance as well as the building code before work is started. Mr. Rose, Mr. Burch and Mr. Hinshaw were asked to draft a statement to be published in the Chapel Hill Weekly.

Mr. Burch reported that there is nothing in the building code for restrictions or guidance on the type of signs to be allowed in the Town of Chapel Hill as to where they are or how they shall be hung. He thinks there should be an ordinance authorizing someone to see that signs are safely erected. Mr. Rose, Mr. Burch, Mr. Hinshaw and the Safety Committee were asked to draft a proposed amendment or addition to the building code concerning signs.

Mr. L.J. Phipps, Chairman of the Planning Board, reported that due to a number of circumstances the Planning Board is not in a position at this time to present a written budget for 1950-51 but he did give an oral report and a written budget will be submitted at a later date.

Mr. Phipps presented maps that have been made for the Planning Board during the year 1949-50 of a traffic count, comparison maps of traffic for 1950 with traffic of 1970 and maps showing recommended alterations for the near future.

Mr. Phipps reported that the Planning Board has spent about \$1200.00 on the maps and they are working on an atlas map of the town with all the subdivisions within a one mile radius of the town. They will use the balance of the money in their budget on these maps and they have an estimate of \$1500.00 that will be needed



to finish the maps. They asked the Board of Aldermen for \$2000.00 for the next fiscal year to complete the atlas maps and complete the street planning work that is being done by the Planning Board. In addition to the \$2000.00 they would like to have the \$450.00 taken from their budget for 1949-50 to make a survey of Rosemary Street.

Mr. Phipps asked the Board of Aldermen to make further consideration of an ordinance to regulate the platting and recording of subdivisions of land within a radius of one mile outside the city limits. Mr. Burch asked if the town would have the authority to appropriate money for the planning and subdividing of land within a one mile radius outside the city limits. Mr. Hobbs suggested that a meeting be called for study of the ordinance.

Mr. Lanier read part of a statement commending Mrs. L.J. Phipps and Mr. T.D. Rose, Town Manager, for their good work during the recent clean-up campaign sponsored by the Garden Club.

Mrs. Phipps asked the Board of Aldermen to support a committee to be appointed of citizens of Chapel Hill as a permanent committee for the Beautification of Chapel Hill.

Mr. Rose reported that he has had a request for curb and gutter on Colony Court. The property owners of Colony Court have advised that they are willing to pay their share for the work if the town will do the work and allow them to pay for it over a period of years. The request was referred to the Street Committee and the Town Manager for study and report to the Board.

M Mr. Hobbs presented a copy of the proposed budget for 1950-51 to each member of the Board. There was some discussion but no action was taken.

Mr. Hobbs recommended that Mr. Rose, Mr. Peacock, Mr. Lanier and Mr. Putnam be appointed to study the proposed bookkeeping machines and make recommendation to the Board as to the kind of machine that should be bought by the town, if any. Mr. Burch moved that the special committee be authorized to study the machines in question and decide whether or not a machine should be bought and the kind, if one is bought. The cost of the machine is not to exceed \$3,000.00. This motion was seconded by Mr. Hobbs and unanimously passed.

Mr. Fitch suggested that Rosemary Street be widened at the intersection of Columbia Street. This was referred to the Street Committee for study.

Mr. Putnam reported that the drain in front of Pendergraft's Service Station on W. Franklin Street has an opening large enough for a small child to fall in. He thinks it should have a guard over it. This was referred to Mr. Rose.

Upon motion of Mr. Burch, seconded by Mr. Putnam and unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.