

Minutes Regular Meeting
Board of Aldermen--Chapel Hill, N. C.
October 14, 1953

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Town Hall on October 14, 1953 at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Present were Mayor Lanier, Aldermen Wager, Davis, Burch, Robinson, and Putnam, Town Attorney LeGrand, Town Engineer Gove, Town Auditor Peacock and Town Manager Rose.

The minutes for the regular meeting of September 28, 1953 were approved as read and amended.

Mr. Rose presented the Health Department report for the month of September.

The Clerk of Court and Police Department reports were presented.

Mr. LeGrand gave the Attorney's report. He stated that he found there is an easement across the property on Roosevelt Avenue for which Mr. C. V. Hornaday requested a sewer line extension. After considerable discussion the sewer line extension was authorized.

The matter of Dr. D. A. McPherson connecting to the Town's sewer line in Westwood was brought up. Mr. Rose stated that Dr. R. E. Richardson has said that Dr. McPherson may go across his property to connect to the sewer line. The matter was discussed by the Board, but no action was taken.

The Planning Board's report on Trailer parking was presented to the Board. Action was deferred until the next meeting.

Mr. Peacock gave the Auditor's report for 1952-1953. He recommended the consolidation of all taxes for 1948 and previous. Mr. Wager moved that as collections are made from the uncollected balance for 1948 and prior, they be allocated as 64% to General Fund, 22% to Debt Service and 14% to School Fund. Mr. Putnam seconded his motion and it was passed unanimously. Mr. Peacock reported that nine letters out of the 50 he sent to delinquent tax payers have been returned.

Mr. Rose presented a report on the curb and gutter project. He read a letter of approval for bonds from Reed, Hoyt, Taylor and Washburn. Mr. Rose recommended the Town authorize bond anticipation notes instead of bonds at this time. And, that the Finance Committee meet with the Mayor and Town Manager and make a proposal on this at the next meeting. Mr. Burch moved the recommendation be approved. Mr. Putnam seconded his motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Gove reported that right-of-ways for the curb and gutter project have been staked out. He pointed out spots which might be problems.

Mr. Putnam moved the contract for the curb and gutter project be awarded to the low bidder, Michael and Embree, Durham, North Carolina; at the unit prices shown in the Proposal, and that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the contract. Mr. Burch seconded his motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Lanier reported on a meeting concerning outside fire protection. The matter was discussed and no action was taken.

Mr. Rose read a letter from Mr. T. A. Burton of the Highway Commission to Mr. Carmichael. The letter stated that the state will undertake the curb and gutter project along Pittsboro Road near the Medical School.

Mr. Lanier brought up the matter of a resolution concerning West Cameron Avenue and South Graham Street for State maintenance. The matter was discussed and deferred until the next meeting.

Mr. Lanier brought up the matter of trucks parking too far out in the street. No action was taken.

Mr. Rose brought up the matter of salesmen coming into Chapel Hill taking orders for clothes, and he stated that merchants in Chapel Hill are complaining about the situation. The matter was referred to Mr. LeGrand and Mr. Rose.

Mr. Robinson stated that the streets Sunset Drive and Sunset Avenue are confusing and would like for the names to be straightened out. The matter was deferred until the next meeting.

Mr. Robinson suggested that "No Trespassing" signs be placed at the Negro Community Center.

Mr. Burch stated that he would like for the Board to give consideration to widening Rosemary Street.

Upon motion by Alderman Putnam, seconded by Alderman Davis and unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P. M. o'clock.

After hearing the minutes for the regular meeting of October 14, 1953, read as amended on motion made by Alderman Putnam, seconded by Alderman Robinson, the minutes were approved by vote of the Board of Aldermen this the 28th day of October, 1953.

Edwin J. Lanier Mayor

Sarah J. Durham Town Clerk