Minutes Regular Meeting Board of Aldermen-Chapel Hill, N.C. March 8, 1954

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Town Hall on March 8, 1954 at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

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

The minutes for the regular meeting of February 22, 1954 were approved as read and amended.

Mr. Oscar Hamilton came before the Board to discuss the matter of installing a sewer line off Hooper Lane. Mr. Burch moved that the line be installed under the contract the Town now has with Roy Homewood, providing the property owners whose land will be crossed will give the Town right-of-ways to cross their property. Mr. Putnam seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Herman Ward came before the Board to discuss the installation of a sewer line off the Durham Road. He requested the line be installed from the Henninger property down the Durham Road to an existing line. After considerable discussion the matter was referred to the Finance Committee, to be considered when the budget for 1954-55 is made.

Mr. Rose read a letter from the League of Women Voters thanking the Town for the use of the Town Hall for their meetings.

Mr. Rose read a letter from James Street regarding the rock wall at his home, which was torn down during the curb and gutter project.

Letters from Mr. Lawrence Leigh and Mr. N. C. Ernst, regarding the locations of the curb and gutter in front of their properties, were read by Mr. Rose.

A letter from Mrs. A. C. Burnham was read. She requested the Town run the Town drain pipe somewhere other than on her property. Mr. Davis moved that the request be denixed. Mr. Putnam seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Burch moved and Mr. Wager seconded the motion that the last paragraph on the first page of the minutes of January 13, 1954, Book Nine, Page 114, be corrected so as to show that the work done on the H. D. Meyer property was done in exchange for soil moved from the Meyer yard for shoulder fill-in purposes on the curb and gutter project. This work was done as compensation for the soil that was removed from the property of H. D. Meyer. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Rose presented the Clerk of Court and Police Department reports for January.

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The matter of the A. C. Holland apartments on Ransom Street was discussed. Mr. Burch stated that he has written a letter condemning the house.

Mr. Rose presented the Health Department report for January.

Mr. LeGrand reported the following alternatives open to the Town in improving sidewalks: (1) the majority of property owners may petition for improvements and pay half, (2) the Board of Aldermen may pass a resolution to make improvements and charge the property owners with the cost, (3) if the Town deems it necessary for public good the Town may improve the sidewalks and pay for it out of tax money. Mr. LeGrand stated that he would like to check into number three a little further.

Alderman Putnam moved that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the bond ordinance hereinafter described has taken effect, and the Board of Aldermen desires to borrow money, in addition to the \$30,000 heretofore borrowed, for the purpose for which bonds are authorized to be issued by said ordinance, in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the sale of said bonds, as hereinafter provided: NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill, as follows:

- (1) The sum of \$30,000 shall be borrowed by the Town of Chapel Hill, pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act, 1921, of North Carolina, as amended, for the purpose for which bonds are authorized to be issued by the ordinance entitled "An ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$60,000 of bonds of the Town of Chapel Hill for the construction of curbs and gutters", adopted by the Board of Aldermen of said Town on the 10th day of August, 1953, in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized to be issued by said ordinance.
- (2) Negotiable notes of said Town of the aggregate principal amount of \$30,000 shall be issued for all moneys borrowed pursuant to this resolution. Each os said notes shall be dated April 1, 1954, and shall bear interest at a rate which shall not exceed six per centum (6%) per annum payable at maturity.
- (3) Said notes shall be issued in such denominations and in such form and shall bear interest at such rate as may be determined, within the limitations prescribed by this resolution, by the officers authorized to execute said notes. The Mayor and The Town Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said notes. Each interest coupon shall be signed by said Town Clerk.

The Mayor and the Town Clerk are hereby authorized to make application to the Local Government Commission of North Carolina for its approval of said notes, in the manner prescribed by the Local Government Act. Said Local Government Commission is hereby requested to sell said notes in the manner prescribed by said Act. Said notes, when they shall have been sold by said Commission, in the manner provided by law, and when they shall have been

executed in the manner prescribed by this resolution, shall be turned over to the State Treasurer of the State of North Carolina, for delivery to the purchaser or purchasers to whom they may be sold by said Commission.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion, and the motion was adopted. voting for the motion were Messrs. Wager, Davis, Burch, Putnam and Robinson. No one voted against it.

Mr. Rose stated that he has let contract to Mr. A. G. Crawford, Jr. to do the work at the Negro Community Center. The contract was let for \$633.65, and the work is now almost complete. Mr. Putnam moved that the cost of the work be paid out of the Contengency Fund. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Putnam stated that he would like to see the sidewalk on the South side of West Franklin Street, from Columbia Street to Kenan Street paved.

Mr. Lanier said that he has had a letter from Mr. C. W. Davis about placing trees at the school. The matter was discussed and deferred until the next meeting.

The Finance Committee, directed as indicated in minutes of the February 22, 1954 meeting, Book Nine, Page 123, inspected the Clyde C. Carter property on Dogwood Drive. Mr. Wager reported that the Committee recommends that the Board of Aldermen hold the Carter request, to be considered along with similar request by the Board after the curb and gutter project on Dogwood Drive and Westwood Drive is completed. Mr. Wager moved the recommendation be approved. Mr. Putnam seconded the motion and it was passed.

Mr. LeGrand stated that he would like to see a blinder on one side of the stop light at the Victory Village intersection as approached from Pittsboro Street, and also see lanes marked off there. The matter was referred to Mr. Rose.

Upon motion by Alderman Burch, seconded by Alderman Putnam, and unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 o'clock p.m.

After hearing the minutes for the meeting of March 8, 1954, read on motion made by Alderman Auston , seconded by Alderman , the minutes were approved by vote of the Board of Alderman, this the 24th day of March, 1954.

Lown S. Family

Mayor

Dorathy D. Hrabak Town Clerk

March 8, 1954