

## MINUTES

Board of Aldermen

Town of Chapel Hill, N. C.

December 13, 1954

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session December 13, 1954 at 7:30 P. M. in the Town Hall with the following present: Mayor Cornwell; Aldermen Davis, Burch, Robinson, Wager, Putnam and Wade; Town Attorney LeGrand, and Town Manager Rose.

MINUTES for the November 22, 1954 regular meeting were read, corrected, and adopted.

PETITION ON VALLEY PARK ROAD. Town Manager Rose read a petition signed by M. J. Dawson representing fourteen families living on Valley Park Road located in the Hillview Section who request the Town of Chapel Hill to take over and maintain this road. The matter was referred to the Committee of the Whole to report back at the next meeting.

STORM DRAINAGE: Messrs. Burton Jones and Grady Pritchard came before the Board concerning storm drainage from the area around Ransom and Vance Street discharging on to their property between McCauley and W. University Drive. After much discussion the matter was referred to the Town Manager to estimate the cost of installing a storm sewer and to report back to the Board.

SANITARY SEWERS: Mr. Grady Pritchard requested the Town to install a sanitary sewer line to serve several lots in a new development just south of McCauley Street. The matter was referred to the Town Attorney and the Town Manager to work with Mr. Pritchard on this problem in conjunction with the proposed agreement concerning Westwood Sewage Pumping station and to report back to the Board.

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE RESIGNS. Town Manager Rose read a letter of resignation from Colonel Thomas F. Taylor, director of Civil Defense. Alderman Burch made a motion that this resignation be accepted, seconded by Alderman Wager and by unanimous consent it was agreed that Town Manager Rose be directed to sent to Colonel Taylor, a letter of appreciation.

REPORT OF CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD ON TREES was read by Mayor Cornwell. That the Town of Chapel Hill consider replacing trees damaged, and in many cases completely destroyed, by the recent hurricane. Alderman Burch made a motion, seconded by Alderman Putnam, that the trees which are the Town's property, be replaced; that the ones belonging to the property owners should be their responsibility and that they be urged to replace same. The motion was passed.

\* That the Town of Chapel Hill consider establishing a nursery that would later supply needs for replacement of trees where and when needed, was discussed by Alderman Burch. This matter was referred to Parks and Playgrounds Recreation committee with the request that they report back to this Board in the near future. Mayor Cornwell appointed Alderman Wade to act in his stead on this committee. Alderman Burch made this motion, seconded by Alderman Putnam.

AUDITOR'S REPORT: Town Manager Rose read a report from Auditor Erle E. Peacock that he found the vouchers for November in order, and that his Annual Audit report would be ready for January 10, meeting.

MONTHLY REPORTS from the Health Department, Police Department and the Recorder's Court were examined by the Board members.

Town Manager Rose brought up the matter of erecting the Stone Walls on West Franklin Street and suggested that the employees of the Town of Chapel Hill could probably do this work. Alderman Burch expressed the feeling that the Town labor force have a heavy work load, and that an outside contractor should be considered to build this wall.

Mr. William Sloan's request for lowering the sidewalk at Rosemary Street and North Columbia Street was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Annexation Studies were discussed through maps and diagrams drawn by Town Manager Rose, showing the proposed boundary lines pertaining to the Country Club-Laurel Hill section, and the Knolls Development area. More study will be given to this matter.

NEW BUSINESS: Alderman Burch suggested that the University sharing the expenses of a survey and comprehensive study of streets and parking problems by the Planning Board, could be carried over until the January 10th Board Meeting for action. This was referred to the Finance Committee. That only one meeting be held in December due to holidays, was agreed upon.

Upon motion by Alderman Putnam, seconded by Alderman Burch and unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 o'clock P.M.

After hearing the minutes for the meeting of November 22, 1954 read, on motion made by Alderman Putnam, seconded by Alderman Robinson the minutes were approved by vote of the Board of Aldermen this the 13th day of December, 1954.

  
Mayor

  
Town Clerk

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