

MINUTES

Board of Aldermen

Town of Chapel Hill

The Board of Aldermen met at a regular meeting on October 12, 1964 at 7:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor McClamroch, Aldermen Robinson, Giduz, Strowd, Wager & Page; Town Manager Peck; Town Clerk Roberts; Town Attorney LeGrand.

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Aldermen Page moved that the minutes of the meeting of September 29, 1964 be approved as corrected. Alderman Wager seconded this motion which was adopted unanimously.

C.A.T.V.

Mr. W. G. Enloe, Theater Executive, asked to be heard by the Alderman on C.A.T.V.. He stated that he had no objections to cable antennae television as such, but that it usually was a stepping stone to pay television to which he did object. He stated that pay T.V. had failed in a number of localities in the country, and that there was a proposal to use pay T.V. for showing first run movies. He noted that the ordinance proposed by W.T.V.D. included a clause which would prohibit pay T.V., and expressed the hope that this clause would be left in the ordinance at such time as it was adopted by the Board of Aldermen. He went on to say that if there was no ordinance against pay T.V. that he probably would want to make a bid on a franchise here himself as a protection for his theater chain. No action was taken by the Board.

THOROUGHFARE PLAN

Mayor McClamroch read a transmittal from the Planning Board forwarding a suggested alternate route #7 for the radial across Morgan Creek to the Board of Aldermen without recommendations. Alderman Giduz stated that he did not think that the Board ought to take any action on this without a recommendation from the Planning Board. No action was taken.

COLONY APARTMENTS

Mayor McClamroch read a transmittal from the Planning Board recommending approval of a modification of a Special Use Permit for Colony Apartments which would allow nine (9) additional apartment units to be constructed. Alderman Walters moved that the original Special Use Permit for the Colony Apartments be amended to allow the construction of nine (9) additional apartment units within the outline of the building originally submitted on the basis of the addition of approximately one acre of land to the tract containing the apartments. This motion was seconded by Alderman Robinson and unanimously approved.

CARVER SUBDIVISION

Mayor McClamroch read a transmittal from the Planning Board recommending disapproval of the Edd Carver Subdivision on Pittsboro Road. Town Manager Peck then presented to the Board a revised subdivision of this piece of property which had been prepared since the Planning Board meeting, and which conformed to the suggestions made by the Planning Board. This subdivision consists of a tract of about four acres, in which one 20,000 square foot building lot will be taken out leaving an undeveloped portion. The site, with the new subdivision plat, had been inspected by the Chairman of the Subdivision Sub-committee, R. D. Smith, and the Town Manager, and the new plat approved by the Chairman of the Planning Board. It was pointed out that this procedure was somewhat irregular but in light of the fact that it was such a small subdivision, and that the lot taken out of the original tract was such that it would not effect future subdivision of the property, Alderman Giduz moved that the subdivision as presented be approved. This motion was seconded by Alderman Robinson and unanimously adopted.

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CARLISLE SUBDIVISION

Mayor McClamroch read a transmittal from the Planning Board recommending approval of a subdivision on Hillsboro Street submitted by Jack Carlisle and Dr. Mott Blair. Alderman Strowd moved that this subdivision be approved subject to correcting the plat to show the lot previously owned by Mr. Morgan as a portion of the apartment property, not as a separate lot on the plat. This was seconded by Alderman Page and unanimously approved.

SPECIAL USE PERMITS

Mayor McClamroch read a transmittal from the Planning Board containing a resolution pertaining to the administration of Special Use requests as follows:

"The Planning Board recommends to the Board of Aldermen that administrative action be taken to insure that special use permits be legally and properly completed, with all materials and signatures required by the zoning ordinance, before they are submitted to public hearings and to the formal consideration of the various Boards.

The Planning Board recognizes that applicants may wish to obtain an informal reaction from members on major projects without the expense of completing all documents or drawing or acquiring land. But this can be accomplished in the regular public meetings of the Boards, with the understanding that incomplete drawings may lead to incomplete opinions, not binding on the Board when a detailed proposal is presented.

However, in fairness to affected citizens and the public, for whom the public hearing is the formal chance to enter their opinion on such projects, and to the staff and Board members in providing adequate opportunity for review, it is the opinion of this Board that all required documents and drawings should be available, in the Town Hall, before the second advertisement of such project for a public hearing, if the project is to be legally considered at that hearing."

Alderman Page moved that the transmittal be accepted with thanks and that an effort be made to bring all Special Use requests up to standard in the future. This was seconded by Alderman Walters and unanimously carried.

SAFETY AWARD

A representative of the American Automobile Association and the Carolina Motor Club presented to the Police Chief William Blake and Mayor McClamroch a plaque certifying no pedestrian deaths in Chapel Hill during the year 1963. He noted that this was the twenty-second consecutive year in which there had been no fatal accident involving a pedestrian in Chapel Hill.

CEMETERY

The Cemetery Committee recommended trading a piece of land on the northeast corner of the Chapel Hill Memorial Cemetery property with Mr. Wilson, recent purchaser of the Mayse property with frontage between the cemetery and 15-501 Highway, this seap to be on the basis of an equal area trade. Alderman Strowd moved that the Town Attorney and Town Manager work out the mechanics of transferring this property and proceed with the afreement. This was seconded by Alderman Wager and adopted unanimous.

Bids-Trucks

Town Manager Peck reported receiving four (4) bids on a ½ ton pick-up truck, ranging from \$1,749.00 to \$1,695.00. He recommended accepting the low bid from Harriss Connors Chevrolet Company. Alderman Strowd moved, seconded by Alderman Giduz, that the low bid be accepted. This was unanimously approved. Town Manager Peck then reported receiving four (4) bids on a 2 ton truck ranging from \$3,878.41 to \$3,388.30. He pointed out that the low bid, by Yates Motor Company, did not meet the specifications on the minimum cab to axle distance. He recommended that the second low bid \$3,449.19 by Harriss Connors Chevrolet Company be accepted. Motion by Alderman Giduz, seconded by Alderman Strowd that the bid of \$3,449.19 by Harriss Connors Chevrolet Company be accepted. This was approved unanimously. Town Manager Peck then reported four (4) bids on a garbage body, ranging from \$4,189.00 to \$3,495.00 with a trade in allowance on an old truck of \$995.00. He recommended that the low bid submitted by Markham Equipment Company of \$3,495.00 be accepted, but that no truck be traded in at this time. Alderman Page moved that the contract be awarded to Markham Equipment Company without a trade in. This was seconded by Alderman Ribinson and unanimously approved.

SALE OF GOODS ON STREETS

A proposed amendment to an existing ordinance controlling the sale of merchandise on the streets or sidewalks was discussed, particularly with relation to its effect on the sale of flowers and home grown vegetables on the streets or sidewalks of Chapel Hill. Alderman Giduz moved that this be referred to the Town Attorney for further study and future submission. Alderman Walters seconded this motion which was unanimously approved.

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT

Town Manager Peck reported on his discussion with the State Highway Department of the projects recently approved by the Highway Commission in and near Chapel Hill. The project calling for the improvement of East Franklin Street from Eastgate to Roosevelt Avenue has been sent to the Advance Planning with instruction for giving it priority study, the improvement of N.C. 86 had also been sent to the Advance Planning Section but without instructions for any high priority treatment. The proposed extension of Boundary Street across Battle Park had not been received by the Advance Planning Section, but information was received that all these projects ~~had been approved for construction~~ by the Highway Commission and that they would be done within the next 2 to 5 years.

Alderman Walters moved the adoption of the following resolution expressing the Board's gratification on the approval of these projects and urging that they be constructed at the earliest possible date:

Having been informed that the North Carolina Highway Commission has officially approved for construction three (3) highway projects in and near the Town of Chapel Hill: (1) widening and improving U.S. 15-501 Business from Roosevelt Drive eastward to the corporate limits; (2) widening and improving N.C. 86 from Columbia Street northward to County Road 1751; and (3) extending and improving Boundary Street from Rosemary Street across Battle Park, along Country Club Road and Rocky Ridge Road to Manning Drive; The Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill hereby expresses its appreciation to the Highway Commission and to Commissioner James MacLamroc and, respectfully point out to the Highway Commission that there is an immediate need for these improvements to properly handle even the present traffic and urge that all of these projects be completed at the earliest possible date.

This the 12th day of October, 1964

This was seconded by Alderman Giduz and unanimously adopted.

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DOGS

Mayor McClamroch read a letter from Betty June Hayes, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, on the subject of the services of the Dog Warden in Chapel Hill, offering to make an appointment with the County Commissioners to discuss this problem if the Aldermen wish to. The Aldermen felt that there should be some further discussion on this subject as it appears that Chapel Hill and Chapel Hill Township in which there is a concentration of population and taxable property, receives little or no service from the County Dog Warden. The Mayor and Town Manager were asked to talk to the County Commissioners on this subject.

PEDESTRIAL CROSSING

Alderman Robinson reported that the Street Committee recommended that an additional pedestrian crosswalk be placed on East Franklin St. between Robbins store and the theater, and moved approval of this project. This was seconded by Alderman Giduz and unanimously approved.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Mr. Charlie Mason appeared before the Board complaining again of the disorderly conduct which was occurring in front of his place of business on West Franklin Street and in his parking lot. He stated that the Police Department had been doing an excellent job but that the offenders, when taken to court, were either dismissed or let off with so light a fine and such a long time to pay it that it apparently had no deterring effect on them. He asked that the Aldermen try to correct this situation. Alderman Giduz moved, seconded by Alderman Strowd, that the Town Manager talk to Judge Phipps about the particular ordinance covering this to see if it could be strengthened in any way.

PLANNING DISTRICT

Alderman Wager commented on the consideration by the Planning Board of enlarging the planning district. He requested that this matter be given prompt and thorough study and that a recommendation be made to the Aldermen on this subject in the near future.

Adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Robert M. McClamroch Mayor
David B. Roberts Town Clerk

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN

TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL

The Board of Aldermen met at a regular meeting on October 27, 1964 at 7:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor McClamroch, Aldermen Robinson, Giduz, Strowd, Walters, Wager & Page; Town Manager Peck; Town Clerk Roberts; Town Attorney LeGrand.

MINUTES

Alderman Wager moved that the minutes of the meeting of October 12, 1964 be approved as distributed. This was seconded by Alderman Page and unanimously approved.

RECREATION

Mayor McClamroch read a report from Dr. Harold Meyer to the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce concerning long range recreation plans in the Chapel Hill area. The various proposals were discussed briefly, and Mayor McClamroch suggested that any action to go further into these proposals should be initiated by the Chamber of Commerce rather than the Board of Aldermen. Alderman Giduz moved, seconded by Alderman Walters, that the Mayor and Chairman of the Recreation Committee of the Board of Aldermen meet with the Chamber of Commerce and others who support an expanded recreation program at any time such a meeting is called by the Chamber of Commerce. This motion was unanimously carried.