

MINUTESBoard of AldermenTown of Chapel Hill

The Board of Aldermen met at a regular meeting at 7:30 P.M., August 24, 1970 with the following members present: Mayor Lee, Alderman Nassif, Smith, Welsh and Scroggs. Aldermen Bernholz and Coxhead were absent. Also present were Town Manager Peck, Town Clerk Roberts and Town Attorney Denny.

MINUTES

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Nassif to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 17, 1970 as corrected. This was unanimously carried.

FLOOD REPORT

Mayor Lee introduced Colonel Page of The North Carolina Department of Water and Air Resources who briefly outlined the cooperative program between the State and federal government on flood control studies. He noted the availability of national flood insurance if adequate controls are provided by local governments. He noted that the 1969 legislature provided definite authority to local government to use subdivision regulations, zoning, codes and open space for flood damage prevention. He told the Board that there would be legislation proposed in the coming year to permit establishment of limited floodways which would make a portion of the flood plain useable under controlled conditions. He noted that the Corps of Engineers would assist in delineating the floodways. He then introduced Colonel Dennison from the U. S. Engineer Department in Wilmington. Colonel Dennison explained the report and formally presented it to the Town.

Alderman Nassif moved that the report be referred to the Planning Board and that they be requested to prepare amendments to the zoning and subdivision ordinances in line with the report, and suggested that only minimum density be allowed in the flood plains. This was seconded by Alderman Scroggs. Alderman Welsh said that she would like the Planning Board to go even further, to make a total environmental survey. The motion was unanimously carried.

NORTH LAKESHORE DRIVE

James Worth told the Board that there was mud on the street from new house construction on North Lakeshore Drive and that he felt it was a hazard. The Town Manager told the Board that this had been reported earlier in the day to the Public Works Department.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Board received the nominations recommended by the Board of Adjustment to replace Dale Whitman. His term expires June 30, 1972. Those recommended were: C. O. Cathey and Sterling Stoudemire. Alderman Nassif said that he felt that there should be a woman on this board and that he would like to see a representative from the Morgan Creek area. Alderman Welsh suggested Mrs. Kathryn Klingberg and said that she would check with her to see if she would accept. The nominations were held open until the meeting of September 14, 1970.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

The Town Manager reported that Nationwide Insurance had cancelled the workmen's compensation policy, that prices had been obtained from three other companies and that the Hartford Insurance Company seemed to be the lowest. Alderman Welsh moved, seconded by Alderman Smith that the insurance be taken with the Hartford Insurance Company. This was unanimously carried.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK

Alderman Nassif moved adoption of the ordinance removing the crosswalk on West Franklin Street near Kenan Street which was introduced at the meeting of August 17, 1970. This was seconded by Alderman Welsh and carried by a vote of three (3) to one (1) with Alderman Smith opposing.

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AT MARKED CROSSWALKS WITH STOP SIGNS

WHEREAS on March 11, 1968 the Board of Aldermen adopted an ordinance relating to the vehicular traffic at marked crosswalks, and

WHEREAS a portion of said ordinance provided that the Town Manager shall cause to be marked on West Franklin Street between Kenan Street and Roberson Street, specifically approximately 54 feet West of Kenan Street across a crosswalk for pedestrian traffic, and

WHEREAS said crosswalk is no longer necessary or desirable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL:

SECTION I

That that portion of the ordinance relating to vehicular traffic at marked crosswalks adopted March 11, 1968 with respect to the crosswalk to be marked on West Franklin Street between Kenan Street and Roberson Street specifically approximately 54 feet West of Kenan Street be and the same is hereby repealed.

This the 24th day of August, 1970.

NATIONAL BUSINESS LEAGUE

Mayor Lee told the Board that he had been invited to represent the Town at the meeting of the National Business League in Detroit at the end of September. Alderman Welsh moved, seconded by Alderman Nassif that the Town provide the necessary expenses for this trip. This was unanimously carried.

AIRPORT

Alderman Nassif asked that the nomination for the study committee for the airport be placed on the agenda for September 14, 1970.

ZONING

Alderman Nassif asked that the Planning Board consider using a percentage ground cover and triangulation in their zoning ordinance and recommended study of the Greensboro ordinance.

TRANSPORTATION

Alderman Nassif said that he agreed with the University in its position not to participate in the bus system proposed by the transportation committee but that he appreciated their working with the committee on the project. He moved, seconded by Alderman Welsh that a letter be written to the University expressing these views. Mayor Lee said that the transportation committee should be encouraged to go ahead with their plans and that he was sorry that the University had not made this decision earlier. He asked that the transportation committee work with the student government on the bus situation. The motion was unanimously carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Mayor

Town Clerk, David Roberts

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