

Mayor Lee asked if the county program can be implemented without Chapel Hill. Ms. Colbert said she would not like to see that happen. She said there is enough money to support the county-wide program. Alderman Marshall said she has not been shown a mechanism by which the county program can exist. She said she doesn't understand the mechanism for continuity of the Town's program. Ms. Colbert said the plan worked in Johnston County. Alderman Smith asked where the main offices would be located. Ms. Colbert said that would have to be decided by the Board. Mayor Lee said there should have been earlier discussions with Chapel Hill about this program before pressure was put on the Board to make a decision. He said that Chapel Hill does not want to give up the program that the Town has worked on so hard. He said that older citizens have expressed concern about eliminating the program. Alderman Nassif said that present members of the Town Council have discussed this with him and that he does not think that this type of program can be as effective on a county level as it is on the local level. He said that participation will not be as good, and that the program will become remote. Ms. Colbert said that the county is considered a local level and that services don't have to be remote. Alderman Nassif said that Orange County is large and the people are spread out, and therefore the program would be less effective than at the local level. Alderman Marshall asked what would happen to the RSVP grant. Interim Manager Levine said that the Town applied for the grant, not the Council on Aging. Alderman Nassif asked who would provide the supplemental efforts to the County program that are now being provided by Chapel Hill. Ms. Colbert said that other agencies in the county would. Mayor Lee said that the Town would want to support the county effort without giving up its own program. Alderman Welsh said there is not enough information to make this major decision. Mayor Lee said that the Town could support the county effort and underwrite the Town program. He said that if the Town had no program, it would be different.

COG - BUDGET

Mayor Lee said the Board should indicate whether it will support the budget request from COG. Alderman Marshall said that the Town can't get approval of programs without participating in the COG; that they are asking for more money because HUD has dropped its support. Mayor Lee asked Aldermen Smith and Marshall to tell the COG that the Town will support it. The Board agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 P.M.



Mayor



David B. Roberts, Town Clerk

MINUTES

May 21, 1973

Board of Aldermen

Town of Chapel Hill

The Board of Aldermen met at a regular meeting on May 21, 1973 at 7:30 P.M. with the following members present: Mayor Lee, Aldermen Gardner, Marshall, Nassif, Scroggs, Smith, and Welsh. Also present were Interim Manager Levine, Town Clerk Roberts, and Town Attorney Denny.

MINUTES

Alderman Welsh moved, seconded by Alderman Smith, to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 14, 1973 as corrected. This motion was unanimously carried.

MINI PARK - PETITION

Mayor Lee read a petition from the residents of the Colony Woods area requesting the allocation of funds for the construction of a mini-park on the Burlington Road right-of-way. Alderman Nassif moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to receive the petition and refer it to the Recreation Commission for study and recommendation. This motion was unanimously carried.

WATER SUPPLY GRANT APPLICATION - DURHAM

Mayor Lee read a letter from the State Board of Health giving notice to Chapel Hill that Durham has applied for a grant of \$537,425 for construction of a water supply system.

SYMPATHY - DENNY FAMILY

Mayor Lee read a note of appreciation from the family of Emery Byrd Denny for the flowers of sympathy sent at the time of his father's death.

CITIZENS ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

Mayor Lee read a letter from the Citizens Animal Welfare Committee requesting that the Board appoint additional members to the committee. This item was referred to Alderman Marshall for study and information.

NOISE CONTROL - VILLAGE GREEN

Mayor Lee read a petition requesting that stricter noise control be enforced at Village Green. Alderman Welsh moved, seconded by Alderman Nassif, that the petition be received and discussed on the agenda at the time of the Police Department Report. This motion was unanimously carried.

APPEARANCE COMMISSION - APPOINTMENT

Interim Manager Levine requested that this item be placed on the end of the agenda. There were no objections.

DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THE BOARD - POLICE DEPARTMENT

VILLAGE GREEN - NOISE

Chief Blake told the Board that the Police Department has had calls about the noise at Village Green. He said that Saturday night the music had been moved to the patio outside of Village Green and that the Police Department revoked the permit and made three arrests. Alderman Welsh asked if the revised noise ordinance is effective. Chief Blake said yes. He said the Town does not have a measuring device, but he does not think one is needed yet. Alderman Smith said that Village Green should not be issued permits if these disturbances continue. Mayor Lee suggested that this item be added to a future agenda for further discussion, and that Chief Blake should use his own discretion about re-issuing the permit.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Blake gave a report to the Board of Aldermen. He said that the Police Department is working towards developing a new image. He said that four men have been hired to implement several new programs, and that he hopes that more qualified men can be hired and that training can be available to them. He said that the Police Department has fought hard against the drug problem. He said they have worked toward promoting safe speeds, safe driving, and the prevention of accidents. He said that during the last year the Police Department has been reorganized and that Arnold Gold has become his administrative Assistant.

Chief Blake said that an LEAA grant is helping to pay for the new Communications Control Center; and that the consultant, brought in the first of the year, told the Police Department that it would be very proud of this new communications center and provide a special place for it where citizens can view the equipment. Chief Blake said that the Police Department has set a goal to reduce rapes and burglaries by 15%. He said that the grant applied for for the narcotics squad was not approved, but that he hopes to get aid from County funds. Chief Blake said the Department will try to provide more and better patrol services, and will try to keep problems within the department to a minimum. He said that a personnel services board has been set up within the department to discuss problems with staff, and to refer them to the Chief if necessary. He said that this has proven very helpful. Chief Blake said that he would like to have a field report outlining the strengths and weaknesses in the department completed within the next year. He said that he looked forward to having more training programs, upgraded standards for hiring, a manpower allocation study, and a new Police building. Mayor Lee asked what is included in the increased training programs. Chief Blake said that a study is being made now to determine what programs are needed. He said that assistance from the Department of Community Colleges has been offered, and that for those programs, the Town will only have to provide classrooms and possibly books. He said that in the present training program that the Captains are getting management training, and if the staff is learning nothing else, they are learning to work together. Mayor Lee asked if the state regulations for hiring will be implemented, including the psychological tests. Chief Blake said yes. Alderman Welsh asked if Chief Blake is optimistic about providing security for Chapel Hill. Chief Blake said yes, and that a program for the prevention of crimes should be a major help. He said that an application was made about a year ago for a grant for a crime prevention unit. He said that most of the rapes in Chapel Hill are with women hitchhikers, and that the Police staff wants to try to meet these hitchhikers on the road and inform them of the crimes which have been committed. He said that policemen will also visit homes and demonstrate locks and other crime preventive measures. Alderman Gardner said that some cities have hitchhiking stations. Chief Blake said that the hitchhiking problem is Town-wide, that there are no particular pick-up and destination points determined yet, but the Department will try to determine them during the next year. Alderman Marshall asked if cities with public transportation available had fewer hitchhikers. Chief Blake said that he had no specific facts, but in his opinion public transportation would probably cut down on hitchhikers. Alderman Smith asked if the time spent on filling out reports is a problem. Chief Blake said that this is not a problem, that dispatchers fill out a large portion of the reports, and that the patrolmen finish them later. Mayor Lee thanked Chief Blake for his report.

DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THE BOARD - DOG PROGRAM

Mr. Gus Shoffner, the Dog Warden, gave a report to the Board. He said that the first year of the dog program has been very successful. He said that the dog pound has been completed and that the Town has acquired an ordinance. He said that training courses have been available for citizens and their dogs, and that he has spoken to a number of groups about dogs. Mr. Shoffner said that the over-population of animals has been growing everywhere, and that he is requesting a spaying and neutering clinic and a town-wide leash law. He said that education of the public will be essential during the next year to reduce the over-population. Alderman Smith asked if the Town could legally collect the penalty fee described in the proposed ordinance. Town Attorney Denny said yes, as long as the Board adopts the ordinance which sets the fee. Mr. Shoffner explained pound fees and fines and their differences. Alderman Welsh asked if Mr. Shoffner wanted to make the dog program self-supporting. Mr. Shoffner said if the leash law is enforced the program could be almost self-supporting. Alderman Marshall asked the difference between the leash law and the proposed ordinance changes. Mr. Shoffner explained the difference, making a

distinction between dogs not restrained and those considered to be nuisances. Alderman Marshall said that the difference between tickets and pound fees are not clear. Alderman Smith asked if the CBD leash law is effective. Mr. Shoffner said there are problems, but it works relatively well. Alderman Smith asked if Mr. Shoffner could cover the whole Town if there were a Town-wide leash law. Mr. Shoffner said yes. Alderman Scroggs said that the Dog Warden's efforts are very noticeable throughout the Town and appreciated. Mr. Shoffner said that the main problem he has is with dogs who don't belong to anyone. He said that if he can implement all of the programs he has proposed, the combination of them will eliminate most of the problems with dogs in Chapel Hill. Alderman Gardner asked what can be done about cats. Mr. Shoffner said that cats are free-spirited animals. Mayor Lee said that the Board has discussed this before, and decided not to implement a cat program. Mayor Lee thanked Mr. Shoffner for his report and said that the Board has been pleased with the progress and development of the dog program.

DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THE BOARD - CIVIL DEFENSE

Mr. Henry Meares, Civil Defense Coordinator, gave a report to the Board. He said that in the future he hopes to conduct training programs for firemen, rescue squads, and policemen in the use of radiation detection instruments. He said that there are 69 Civil Defense shelters in Chapel Hill, but shelter managers are needed. He said that in the event of a disaster, people living outside of Chapel Hill will come to the Town shelters. He said that he hopes to begin a Community Shelter Plan in December. Mr. Meares said that the State has changed its name to Division of Civil Preparedness and has requested that the Town change its unit's name to the Civil Preparedness Office; and that an ordinance would have to be adopted to do this. He said that during the next year there would be a U.S. Reserve Officer assigned to Chapel Hill specifically to be an Assistant Operations Officer for Civil Defense at no cost to the Town. Mayor Lee said he hoped the Town would never have to use the Civil Defense personnel or facilities, but appreciates Mr. Meares' efforts. Interim Manager Levine told the Board that Mr. Meares is the President-elect of the North Carolina State Civil Defense Organization. Alderman Marshall asked if there is any criteria for defining a disaster. Mr. Meares said that any time a local government deems it necessary to seek outside help for its citizens Civil Defense would help. Alderman Smith asked if CB radios are available. Mr. Meares said that in the event of a disaster the local CB group would automatically be used. Mayor Lee thanked Chief Blake, Gus Shoffner, and Henry Meares for their reports.

POLICE INFORMATION NETWORK - RESOLUTION

Chief Blake said that the North Carolina Department of Justice has informed him that they have lost 20 agreements, one of which was Chapel Hill's, and that the Board should adopt a new resolution and approve the signing of a new agreement. Alderman Nassif asked if this network taps into the FBI. Chief Blake said yes, and explained that valuable information is available through the system. Alderman Smith offered the resolution. Alderman Welsh moved, seconded by Alderman Marshall, to adopt the resolution as presented.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS the North Carolina Department of Justice Police Information Network plans to make available to law enforcement agencies and other appropriate agencies of the State through the use of a centralized computer system various information now available or to be developed essential to the efficient operation of said agencies such as, but not limited to, information contained in the Department of Motor Vehicles' files, information contained in the National Crime Information Center, information contained in the State Bureau of Investigation's files, Department of Corrections' files, and information from

local law enforcement agencies by the installation of a Police Information Network terminal in the Town of Chapel Hill for a period of one year provided the Town of Chapel Hill agrees to furnish a proper site for installing such terminals, and the necessary personnel to operate said terminal, and further agrees to assume the rental cost of such terminal at the end of one year from the date of installation; that said installation of a Police Information Network terminal is considered to be most necessary to the preservation of law and order and the promotion of public safety within the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Justice Police Information Network and this Municipality have agreed as follows:

- (A) The North Carolina Department of Justice Police Information Network will install and maintain for a period of one year a terminal connected to the Police Information Network System and also train operators selected and paid by the Municipality to operate such terminal.
- (B) The Municipality shall furnish a proper site for installation of a Police Information Network terminal and also furnish personnel to operate said terminal.
- (C) The Municipality shall assume the rental cost (which cost shall include maintenance) of the Police Information Network terminal in the amount of \$153.50 per month beginning one year from the date of installation thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the installation of a Police Information Network terminal be and it is hereby formally approved by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill, and that the Mayor and Town Manager of this Municipality be and they are hereby empowered to sign and execute the required Agreement between this Municipality and the North Carolina Department of Justice Police Information Network.

This Resolution was passed and adopted the 21st day of May, 1973.

This motion was carried by a vote of five to one with Alderman Nassif opposing.

CRIME PREVENTION UNIT - GRANT

Mayor Lee read a resolution approving the submission of a grant application for a crime prevention unit for \$11,633 with the Town's share being \$2,908. Alderman Nassif moved, seconded by Alderman Welsh, to approve the application of a grant for a Crime Prevention Unit and the resolution.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen herein called the "Applicant" has thoroughly considered the problem addressed in the subgrant application entitled Crime Prevention Unit and has reviewed the project described in the applicaion; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of Public Law 90-351 as amended, the United States of America has authorized the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, through the North Carolina Division of Law and Order to make federal grants to assist local governments in the improvement of the criminal justice system,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chapel Hill Board of Aldermen in open meeting assembled in the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, this the 21st day of May, 1973, as follows:

1. That the project referenced above is in the best interest of the Applicant and the general public.

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2. That Maryl C. Levine, Interim Town Manager, be authorized to file, in behalf of the Applicant, an application in the form prescribed by the Division of Law and Order for a subgrant in the amount of \$11,633.00 to be made to the Applicant to assist in defraying the cost of the project described in the application. This individual shall act as the authorized representative of the Applicant in connection with all aspects of the application process.
 3. That if the subgrant is made, the Applicant shall provide or make arrangements to provide, a local cash matching contribution in the amount of \$2,908.00 as required by the Act to defray the cost of the project.
 4. That the Project Director designated in the application form shall furnish or make arrangements for other appropriate persons to furnish such information, data, documents and reports pertaining to the project, if approved, as may be required by the Division of Law and Order.
 5. That certified copies of this resolution be included as part of the application referenced above.
 6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

This the twenty-first day of May, 1973.

This motion was unanimously carried.

"SIFT '73"

Ms. Jeanne Jones, Director of the Department of Human Services, explained the "SIFT '73" summer involvement for teenagers program. She said that 100 merchants have been contacted, that 40 have pledged jobs, and that 100 students have signed up for jobs. She said that the program coordinator will keep records of the job placements and provide the necessary consultation. Ms. Jones said that the program office will be located at the Presbyterian Student Center and that there will be an open house on Friday. Ms. Jones said that the EEA application was not approved, but that the County had received \$37,000. Alderman Nassif asked if the money has been allocated. Ms. Jones said yes, that it was allocated to the Neighborhood Youth Corps and that she hoped to get workers through the Neighborhood Youth Corps for Chapel Hill. She said that job descriptions were provided with the EEA application and that jobs had been lined up. Alderman Welsh asked if Chapel Hill is included in the Neighborhood Youth Corps, and if it would get a fair share of the \$37,000. Ms. Jones said that Chapel Hill can not be excluded. Alderman Welsh said she would like a report on the program set up for the allocation of the \$37,000. Alderman Smith said that the school year program will probably be carried over into the summer which would allocate a certain number of jobs to Chapel Hill. Alderman Welsh said that since Chapel Hill includes the largest number of people in the southern part of Orange County it should receive a large percentage of the \$37,000. Mayor Lee said he would like a representative from the Town staff and one from the Neighborhood Youth Corps to meet with the County and report back to the Board with information obtained. Ms. Jones asked the Board for endorsement of the SIFT Program. Alderman Welsh moved, seconded by Alderman Marshall, to adopt the resolution approving the SIFT '73 Program.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS the Town of Chapel Hill is committed to the well-being of all its citizens, and

WHEREAS Chapel Hill recognizes the need for Town support of its youth in seeking employment, and

WHEREAS Chapel Hill is committed to involving all the citizens of the Town in the participation of a summer project to secure employment for youth, and

WHEREAS Chapel Hill has not only pledged its support for a summer employment program for youth, but also formally approves the operation of a summer project for 1973, NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill hereby endorses the operation of "SIFT '73" (Summer Involvement For Teen-agers), designed to coordinate the Town's resources in a town-wide effort to secure summer employment for youth, and hereby recognizes the official launching of "SIFT '73 WEEK" on May 21st through May 27th, 1973, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Merchant's Association and the Chamber of Commerce with the recommendation that their members be strongly urged to employ youth through "SIFT '73."

This the twenty-first day of May, 1973.

Alderman Smith asked how Wilber Jones runs his employment program. Ms. Jones said that Mr. Jones' program includes anyone, and SIFT is focusing on teenagers. Alderman Gardner asked how many youths have applied. Ms. Jones said 100. Alderman Gardner asked how many are expected. Ms. Jones said approximately triple that amount. Alderman Gardner said he would like to see this program expanded into the University and the school system. Alderman Smith said that the schools do employ some students, but now most of the work being done is under contract. The motion was unanimously carried.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT PROPOSAL

Mr. Hank Anderson, Director of Recreation, explained the proposed summer employment program. He told the Board that this should be considered as a separate program and not as part of his budget. He said that at this time he doesn't know what constraints will be put on the program by the federal government that will keep teenagers from working. Mayor Lee asked if it would be desirable to delay action on this proposal until the meeting with the County is held. Mr. Anderson said yes. He said that there are 200 to 250 students at the High School who would want to work this summer, and that the Recreation Department cannot fund a program this large by itself. Alderman Marshall said that the proposed program is a fine program, and that the Town should get money from the County if possible, but should keep the program in mind as a pressing need. Alderman Nassif asked Mr. Anderson if he was asking for the money now. Mr. Anderson said he doesn't want it cut out of the recreation budget. Alderman Nassif said if the Recreation Department feels the need for personnel it should be included in a legitimate budget request. Mayor Lee said this program would not be a regular program of the Recreation Department, but would be a special program for this summer. Alderman Scroggs said that University departments have been directed by the Chancellor to employ teenagers during the summer as far as budgets will permit. Alderman Welsh said that this program should not be limited to the Recreation Department, that the departments of the Town should utilize teenagers during the summer and pay for them from their own budgets. Alderman Smith questioned the differences in the salaries, and said there should not be a discrepancy. Alderman Nassif moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner, to delay action on this proposal until the meeting with the County is held and a report to the Board is made. Alderman Welsh asked if the motion includes endorsement of the program. Alderman Nassif said that the Board endorsed the program when it approved the submission of the grant application. Mayor Lee asked if the endorsement is qualified, pending the meeting with the County. Alderman Nassif said yes. Alderman Welsh said that the meeting with the County should be held as soon as possible. Alderman Smith said he thinks this is a worthwhile program and that the Town should begin action on it soon. Mayor Lee said that \$15,000 of Revenue

Sharing money applied to this program would be well spent. Alderman Marshall agreed. The motion was unanimously carried.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION-HOUSING AUTHORITY - MERGER

Mayor Lee read the proposed resolution abolishing the Redevelopment Commission and providing for a new agency under the name of Housing Authority. Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Nassif, to adopt the resolution as presented increasing the commissioners of the Chapel Hill Housing Authority to nine, and becoming effective September 1, 1973.

RESOLUTION ABOLISHING THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL AND DESIGNATING THE CHAPEL HILL HOUSING AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE THE POWERS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES THEREOF AND CHANGING THE NUMBER OF THE COMMISSIONERS FOR SAID HOUSING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill has heretofore duly created the Chapel Hill Housing Authority pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 157 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill has heretofore created the Redevelopment Commission of the Town of Chapel Hill pursuant to Article 37 of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen finds and determines that the need continues to exist for a commission to perform the functions of a commission pursuant to Article 37 of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes of North Carolina in the territorial limits of the municipality, and

WHEREAS, notice of intent to consider the passage of this resolution has been published at least ten (10) days prior to the date hereof, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen find:

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That blighted areas as defined in Article 37 of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes of North Carolina exist in the Town of Chapel Hill, and

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That the redevelopment of such areas is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the residents of such municipality, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen, in its discretion determines that the Redevelopment Commission of the Town of Chapel Hill should be abolished effective the first day of September, 1973, which said date is not less than ninety (90) days after the date of the adoption of this Resolution, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill further finds and determines in its discretion that the Chapel Hill Housing Authority heretofore created pursuant to Chapter 157 of the General Statutes of North Carolina is the proper body to exercise the powers, duties and responsibilities of a redevelopment commission, and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines in its discretion that the Commissioners of the Chapel Hill Housing Authority should be increased to nine commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill:

1

That effective the first day of September, 1973 the Redevelopment Commission of the Town of Chapel Hill shall cease to exist as a body politic and corporate, and as a public body, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that effective on said date:

1

All property real, personal and mixed belonging to the Redevelopment Commission shall vest in, belong to and be the property of the Chapel Hill Housing Authority.

2

All judgments, liens, rights of lien and cause of action of any nature in favor of the Redevelopment Commission shall vest in and innure to the benefit of the Chapel Hill Housing Authority.

3

All rentals, taxes, assessments and any other funds, charges or fees owing to the Redevelopment Commission shall be owed to and collected by the Chapel Hill Housing Authority.

4

All actions, suits and proceedings pending against or having been instituted by the Redevelopment Commission shall not be evaded by such abolition but all such actions, suits and proceedings shall be continued and completed in the same manner as if abolition had not occurred and the Chapel Hill Housing Authority shall be a party to all such actions, suits and proceedings in the place and stead of the Redevelopment Commission, and no new processes need be served in such action, suit or proceeding.

5

All obligations of the Redevelopment Commission including outstanding indebtedness shall be assumed by the Chapel Hill Housing Authority and all obligations and outstanding indebtedness shall constitute obligations and indebtedness of the Chapel Hill Housing Authority.

6

All ordinances, rules, regulations and policies of the Redevelopment Commission shall continue in full force and effect until repealed and amended by the Chapel Hill Housing Authority.

7

Chapel Hill Housing Authority shall have all the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Redevelopment Commission as provided by law, and shall when exercising the same do so in accordance with Article 37 of Chapter 160 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and all other special and local laws applicable thereto.

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Chapel Hill Housing Authority shall continue to exercise the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Housing Authority in accordance with Chapter 157 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that effective the first day of September, 1973 the membership of the Chapel Hill Housing Authority shall be increased to nine members, to be appointed by the Mayor, who shall designate

the overlapping terms of not less than one or more than five years for the additional commissioners to be appointed pursuant to this resolution.

This the 21st day of May, 1973.

Mayor Lee said that the resolution must be held for 90 days before it can become effective. He said that during that time, Mr. Stephenson and Ms. Williams will be working on combining the two programs and the present commission members will submit resignations so that a new board can be appointed. He said that the terms will be for a maximum of five years. This motion was unanimously carried. Alderman Nassif expressed thanks to Mayor Lee, the Redevelopment Commission, and the Housing Authority for their work on providing this new program. Mayor Lee said that he has made it clear that the action taken is not an indication of dissatisfaction with the present programs or personnel. Alderman Welsh suggested that letters be sent to the people in the NDP area informing them of this action and when the merger will become effective.

STREET EXTENSION SIGNS

Alderman Nassif explained that the proposed signs indicating that streets may be extended could simply be red additions to the existing green street-name signs, and he circulated a model. He said that regulations governing these signs should be incorporated into the Subdivision Ordinance. Alderman Nassif moved, seconded by Alderman Marshall, that an ordinance be drawn providing that all streets with proposed extensions be marked with a sign, and that an ordinance be drawn to amend the Subdivision Ordinance to provide regulations for street-name signs. Alderman Smith said that signs are the only way to clearly designate future extensions. This motion was unanimously carried.

BANKING SERVICES

Mr. Neal Evans said that he had talked with bankers in Town about the proposed specifications for the Town bank account and that one had complained because the process was being changed and it might not have a chance to be considered for several years. Alderman Nassif asked how banks, which are not included in the first rotation group, could be added later. Mr. Evans said that a lottery could be held for two years consecutively. Alderman Nassif suggested that the Town rotate completely through the initial group accepted, and then give other banks a chance to meet the specifications and be added to the rotation group. Alderman Marshall asked if the banks are concerned that another change in the system is being made. Mr. Evans said yes. Interim Manager Levine asked how often the rotation from one bank to another would be. Mr. Evans said that he has recommended that it coincide with election years. Mayor Lee asked if two-year periods would be sufficient for the Finance Department. Mr. Evans said it should not be less than every two years. Alderman Nassif said he doesn't understand #7 of the stipulations concerned with investments. Mr. Evans explained Certificates of Deposit and the current procedures for placing them in banks. Mayor Lee asked if placing Certificates of Deposit is limited to Chapel Hill banks. Mr. Evans said no, that any bank in North Carolina can be used. Alderman Nassif asked if other banks in North Carolina will be informed of the biddings. Mr. Evans said he would not call every bank, but would follow up on information about higher rates. Alderman Nassif said that banks outside of Chapel Hill giving higher rates should be used. Mr. Evans said that some towns in North Carolina are getting payroll services free from their depository bank. He said he would like to leave the specifications open for this change. Town Attorney Denny said that these specifications should be adopted in resolution form. Mayor Lee requested that an

resolution be drawn and presented next week with the department report to the Board.

FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE

Alderman Nassif said that if the moratorium on development is to be lifted the Board should give serious consideration to prohibiting construction in the floodplain area so that construction can legally be delayed until the ordinance is adopted. He requested that the Board request an ordinance eliminating building in the Flood Fringe for the next public hearing. Town Attorney Denny said he is concerned about the authority of the Board to adopt an ordinance so broad. He said the Board should not advertise an ordinance that cannot legally be adopted. Alderman Nassif asked what the top density permitted would be. Town Attorney Denny said this would have to be governed by the rule of reason. Alderman Nassif said he would like to advertise the top limit initially. Alderman Scroggs said that prohibiting building entirely is beyond the Board's authority. Alderman Nassif suggested limiting building to one unit per ten acres. He asked where five acres was derived from. Van Opdenbrow said that he had consulted with Mr. Denny and Mr. Green and Mr. Heath of the Institute of Government and that they indicated that in their opinion five acres probably would stand up in courts, but that minimum acreages much higher than five would be problematical. Alderman Nassif said that building in the Floodplain is geological and ecological disaster. He said that if the present building in the Floodplain continues there will always be a problem with flooding. He said that the present Floodway Ordinance only covers the three major streams in Chapel Hill and should be extended to cover all tributaries. Town Attorney Denny said that if the floodplains of these tributaries could be established through a mapping process, they could be covered by the ordinance. Alderman Nassif said that contour maps could show this. Alderman Scroggs said the Subdivision Ordinance could cover the tributaries. Alderman Nassif said that all streams should be protected by a minimum easement of 200 feet from the centerline. Alderman Scroggs said a definition of flood area would have to be used, that 200 feet would be unreasonable in some places. Alderman Nassif said the easement would be 100 feet from the center of the stream to either side and that this easement would preserve the area for pedestrian easements, sewer lines, etc. Alderman Welsh asked if flood areas could be defined on the basis of elevation. Alderman Nassif said they could be, but would require a great deal of research and there is a need to preserve all of the streams in Town now. Alderman Welsh said that enabling legislation places restrictions on floodways, so there should be no problem with the Town placing restrictions on its floodway area. Town Attorney Denny said the Town has that authority now. Alderman Welsh said that the County has discussed requiring five acres in watershed areas. Alderman Scroggs said that the General Statutes allows filling in the floodplain area if it does not increase the flood level more than one foot. Alderman Nassif said that with one unit per ten acres, the Floodplain would not be affected by fill. Alderman Nassif moved, seconded by Alderman Welsh, that the ordinance drawn by the Planning Department, substituting ten acres for five acres, and that an ordinance to be drawn, requiring a 100 foot easement from the centerline of every stream to each side, both be advertised for the next public hearing. This motion was unanimously carried. Alderman Nassif said the ordinance would be general to get it on the table.

RELEASES AND REFUNDS

Town Clerk Roberts presented the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION - TAX RELEASES

Whereas taxes listed below were erroneously levied through clerical error on properties belonging to the following:

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Loveliea Edwards	1733 (1970)	30.98	Property on Rosemary St. in
	1807 (1971)	16.76	Carrboro
Raymond L. Perry	2226 (1962)	2.10	Personal Property not in Town
Roberta Cotton	1964 thru 1972	19.97	Property has been listed in
	(Val. 180.00)		error on N. end of Sykes St.
Pattie Hopkins	3042	47.28	County reduced value from
			14,260 to 11,190
Katie Edwards	1872	24.79	Real Prop. released under
			G. S. 105.277-1

WHEREAS, the above list or people have made application for release of said taxes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill, that it finds that taxes on the above listed people were levied through clerical error, and in the discretion of the Board should be released to the taxpayer, IT BEING FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is authorized and empowered to make such release.

RESOLUTION - TAX REFUNDS

WHEREAS, taxes listed below were erroneously levied and collected through clerical error on properties belonging to the following:

W. S. Kutz	3324 (1970)	18.00	House was not connected to
	3494 (1971)	18.00	sewer until Feb., 1973
	3651 (1972)	36.00	

WHEREAS, the above listed people have made application for refund of said taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Chapel Hill, that it finds that taxes on the above listed people were levied and collected through clerical error, and in the discretion of the Board should be refunded to the taxpayer, IT BEING FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is authorized and empowered to make such refund.

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Nassif, to adopt the resolution granting releases and refunds as presented. This motion was unanimously carried.

APPEARANCE COMMISSION - APPOINTMENT

Mayor Lee told the Board that there are three nominations for the vacancy on the Appearance Commission: Robert Bryan, Jonathan Edwards, and Beverly Madison. Alderman Welsh said that Mr. Edwards has been working with the Historic District Committee, and that the Town will need a Historic District Commission to which he could be appointed. Alderman Marshall described Ms. Madison's qualifications. Alderman Scroggs said he is interested in having someone in real estate on the Commission. Mayor Lee read a description of the nominees. A secret ballot vote was taken and Mr. Robert Bryan was appointed to the Appearance Commission for the remainder of Mr. Lester's term which expires December, 1973.

LEGISLATION - H.B. 333

Mayor Lee read a letter from Town Attorney Denny concerning H.B. 333. Mayor Lee said that he lacked confidence in the bill as it is amended.

CBD - PARKING LOTS


Alderman Nassif said that he would like the Town Manager to consider removing the parking meters from the Town's parking lots and placing gates at the entrances. He said there is no way to enforce payment of tickets given in the lots. Alderman Scroggs said this would be

good if it would be profitable. Interim Manager Levine asked if action on this could be delayed until the CBD report is made. Alderman Nassif said he would like to have information as soon as possible.

CBD - STUDY REPORT

Alderman Welsh said that the first of a two-part report on the CBD Study would be held on Tuesday, May 29th at 7:30 P.M. in the Meeting Room. She urged all of the Aldermen to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 P.M.



Mayor



David B. Roberts, Town Clerk

MINUTES

May 28, 1973

Board of Aldermen

Town of Chapel Hill

The Board of Aldermen met at a public hearing on May 28, 1973 at 7:30 P.M. with the following members present: Mayor Lee; Aldermen Gardner, Marshall, Nassif, Scroggs, Smith, and Welsh. Also present were Interim Town Manager Levine, Town Clerk Roberts, and Town Attorney Denny.

PUBLIC HEARING

ZONING AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Mayor Lee outlined the procedure of a public hearing. He then read the Legal Notice of Public Hearing as advertised. Van Opdenbrow explained why the same ordinance amendments that were advertised in September, 1971 were re-advertised. Alderman Scroggs said he objected to the wording of the legal notice because it was not specific enough. Town Attorney Denny said that the Notice meets the legal and technical requirements. Alderman Scroggs said "open-ended" notices should not be advertised. Mayor Lee then called for citizen support for the amendment. There was none. He then called for opposition to the amendment. There was none. Alderman Nassif said that the Committee formed to study this ordinance has not met because it has been waiting for the PITCH recommendations. He said that open space can be based on acres or a designated amount per unit, and that he prefers the percentage per acre basis. Alderman Welsh said she is concerned with the equity of the proposed ways of determining open space. She said that the fair amount of open space should be based on a fixed percentage or unit density basis. She said that the Town may be trying to contain areas where subdivisions are located, but that location is not as important as designating a fair amount of open space per subdivision. Alderman Welsh said there has been a question of whether open space should be in one tract or whether it can be provided in more than one. She said it may be more desirable to leave this flexible. She also said that the question of whether open space should be dedicated to the Town or remain privately owned and maintained in perpetuity should be considered. She said that the Greensboro ordinance specifies that open space may be either dedicated or privately owned and held as open space in perpetuity. Alderman Welsh said that density does change and she would like further discussion on using population as the basis for determining open space. She said the Board is committed to the dedication of open space, but the details need to be worked out. Alderman Scroggs