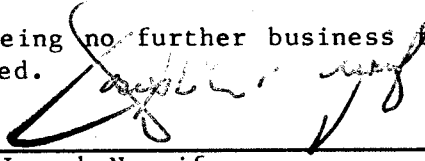


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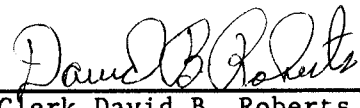
Future Agenda Items

Council member Kawalec asked for a report on the North Carolina Forestry Program mentioned in the Planning Board minutes. She also requested a report on cities in North Carolina which had an urban forestry program.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.



Mayor Joseph Nassif



Town Clerk David B. Roberts

MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1980
7:30 P.M.

Mayor Nassif called the meeting to order. Present were:

- Marilyn Boulton
- Joseph Herzenberg
- Jonathan Howes
- Beverly Kawalec
- R.D. Smith
- Joe Straley
- Bill Thorpe

Also present were Town Manager E. Shipman and Town Attorney E. Denny. Council member Wallace was excused.

Public Hearing to Consider Use of General Revenue Sharing Funds in the
Manager's Recommended 1980-81 Budget

Ms. Parker presented an overview of the proposed uses for general revenue sharing funds for 1980-81. Most of the funds would be transferred to the general fund to prevent a larger tax increase. Ms. Parker listed the proposed uses within the general fund.

Dr. Roberts presented a request from the North Carolina Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation for a grant to help with the cost of an administrative assistant. The administrative offices of the chapter were located in Chapel Hill and served as the liaison between the patient population and the diagnostic center located at Memorial Hospital. Dr. Roberts believed this diagnostic and treatment center to be the largest in the world, and had been in operation since 1952. Study of these disease helped in treating other diseases such as heart attacks and strokes. The assistant would help to maintain the liaison.

Council member Smith asked what specific amount the Foundation was requesting. Dr. Roberts said the request was for \$9500, but the Foundation would accept any amount.

With no further comments from the audience, Mayor Nassif adjourned the first public hearing.

Public Hearing on the Manager's Recommended Budget for 1980-81 and Capital
Improvement Program for 1980-85

Mr. Lewis Bateman of Hamilton Road, opposed the cut in Sunday service at the Library. He proposed as an alternative the Library try to have volunteers help to cut costs.

Mr. Parker Reist of Glenhill Lane presented a proposed for emergency animal care. The Animal Protection Society had maintained a service for several years with volunteers receiving calls 24 hours. In 1979 40% of the calls from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. were from Chapel Hill with 20% from Carrboro. There were not enough volunteers to continue this service during nights and weekends. They planned to change to a system of salaried staff and volunteers which would cost \$3,000. APS was asking for \$1250 from Chapel Hill.

Mr. Henry Whitfield had opposed the proposed garbage container service a year ago and still opposed it. He agreed that it would save the town money, but would cost the citizens time and effort. The cans would not improve Chapel Hill's appearance. He suggested the town raise money another way.

Ms. Lisa Price requested that the bike path along Airport Road be continued past Estes Drive to North Forest Hills to reduce use of automobiles. Heavy traffic served as a deterrent to bike riders. Children could not ride to the Y. She asked that the shoulders on Airport Road be widened to put in this path.

Mr. Tony Thomas of Glen Heights seconded the request for the bike path to the Minnie mart. This would allow riders to go to Weaver Dairy Road without riding in the traffic along Airport Road. He presented a petition from residents for the path.

Mr. Lowman had been injured riding a bike along Airport Road. He hesitated to ride on Airport Road until the path was continued.

Mr. Jessie Page, representing the Chamber of Commerce, commented on the budget. He believed there had not been time for review of the budget, nor sufficient copies for public review. The format should contain additional accounting schedules. The Chamber did not support increases in salary for the Mayor and Council but supported reimbursement of expenses. The Chamber did not find a public desire for the roll-out garbage cans and opposed spending funds for a pilot project. They supported the efforts to increase the transportation revenue/cost ratio to meet the TDP goal of 33%. The Chamber did not favor acquisition of Clearwater Lake.

Lastly, the Chamber recommended no raise in the tax rate. The town should reduce expenditures.

Mr. Jacques Menache again requested funds for the Art School. Without funding the school would lose 42 part-time and 2 full-time jobs. Artists would lose a way to exhibit their work.

Mr. David Rooks, Chairman of the board of ACCESS, renewed the request for \$8,000. The manager had recommended no funding. ACCESS could not operate after June 30 without town funding.

Ms. Lyn Remick reviewed programs operated by ACCESS, and persons served. The Town's continued support would be a match for state funds. Mr. Rooks added that ACCESS would continue the lodging service if the Council wished. Council member Boulton asked where the money appropriated for the lodging service was going. Mr. Shipman had recommended it go to the Associated for Community Agencies.

Council member Boulton asked if ACCESS requested funds of the school board or the county. Ms. Remick responded that they did not ask the school board for funds and had been turned down by the county a few years ago. Mr. Rooks added that Carrboro had indicated they would only give support if the other governmental units did so.

Ms. Sparling, Chairperson of OASIS, requested the Council to consider a \$3000 appropriation to OASIS. All of the money the group received would be used for program costs.

Ms. Gloria Williams asked the Council to help alleviate the needs of the poor of Chapel Hill. She referred to the proposal submitted to the Council by JOCCA and reviewed some of the programs JOCCA operated. Council member Howes asked about the CESA funding.

Ms. Williams said there were new mandates to try to mobilize local resources. Their CESA budget had remained the same for the last 8 years.

Dr. Gertrude Willis encouraged the support of JOCCA. She pointed out the housing program was recognized as one of the best in North Carolina. Last year the center had cared for 1536 people.

Mr. Harold Foster spoke about the anti-poverty program. He asked that in planning the anti-poverty program the Council address the economic and social causes of poverty.

Ms. Julia Andresen did not believe the needs of the botanical gardens were understood. State grants were usually tied to statewide projects. University funds were directed to research. Town support was vital to the public services which benefited town citizens. They provided a recreational area and educational resource.

Mr. Wadsworth informed the Council over 1000 people attended the Wild Flower Sale. Many of the species were available only because volunteers helped grow them. There were more people at the herb sale. Chapel Hill was more beautiful because of the flowers.

Ms. Geraldine Gourley stated many people were influenced in their decision to retire in Chapel Hill by the gardens. The gardens gave older citizens an opportunity to be productive.

Ms. Sarah Campbell stated that although there were many volunteers, they needed the trained botanists for guidance. Vans and gas were needed to transport the plants.

Ms. Broughton and her husband enjoyed the opportunities offered by the gardens. They attracted many volunteer workers. The volunteers needed supervision by the botanists.

Mr. Ken Moore, Superintendent of the Gardens, stated the gardens were a quiet recreation center for Chapel Hill. They offered jogging and pedestrian trails, talks and lectures and guides through the gardens. Without support from Chapel Hill the gardens would have to eliminate programs which benefitted Chapel Hill.

Ms. Gerry Gentry enlisted volunteers for the gardens. She requested the Council's support.

Mr. Ray Dingleline stated that traffic would increase with the growth of Chapel Hill. The Council should plan for this by expanding bus service rather than reducing it.

Ms. Kathan Haskins asked that bus service not be cut to the North Forest Hills area. She presented a petition from this area requesting service during the summer, especially to give teens transportation.

Ms. Ellen McCrae relied on the bus as she did not have a car. She asked that the bus service be extended.

Mr. Joe Lowman stated the bus service to North Forest Hills had only been running for 6 months. During this time many people had parking permits which had now been given up take the bus this fall.

Mr. Phil Busby wanted the town to sell the bus system to the highest bidder. He believed those who wanted to ride the bus should pay the free market price.

Mr. Bob Saunders, Student Body President, supported the Transportation Board's recommendation for service and price increases. As an alternative he urged the Council to allow the University flexibility in discounting the passes to students. The Council should also try to inform students of the hidden costs of operating a car as opposed to riding the bus.

Council member Howes asked if the student government had petitioned the University to raise parking sticker prices. Mr. Saunders responded there was no need to increase the parking stickers because there was nothing the University wanted to use the parking fund for. Council member Thorpe asked if the University had the discretion to discount student passes as they wanted. Mr. Shipman said this was negotiated in the contract between the town and the University.

Mr. Ridsen Hill presented a petition from the N route Saturday riders not to cut service. He did not believe the increase in passes outrageous. Other towns charged more.

Mr. Lewis Bateman spoke in favor of the Saturday service in Glen Lennox. He did not have a car and used the bus service for shopping. Many senior citizens living in Glen Lennox would be affected by this cut in service. He also asked that the shared ride service during the period of reduced service be continued.

Mr. Hill added that there were many elderly and handicapped people in the Northside area who would have to walk without the Saturday service.

Mr. Chuck Freedman emphasized that people in North Forest Hills had waited until summer to give up their parking stickers and now planned to ride the bus in the fall.

Mr. Cohen asked that the A route be continued. With the advent of the new buses the town could put a large bus on this route. He believed ridership would increase. Mr. Cohen also encouraged the Council to request authorization from the General Assembly to raise the fee for car stickers. This money could be earmarked for transit service.

Mr. Bob Powell, representing the Pines Community, encouraged support for JOCCA's housing proposal.

Mr. Jim Crisp of Virginia Drive, opposed the purchase of Clearwater Lake. It was 3 miles south of town. There were many requests to spend money within Chapel Hill. He suggested allowing the taxpayers of Chapel Hill to vote on the purchase.

Ms. Carolyn Curtis of Granville Road, supported the acquisition of Clearwater lake. The Recreation Commission had recommended buying the lake. This was the only lake within 3 miles of Chapel Hill available to the majority of people. People who did not belong to clubs should have a place to go to swim.

Mr. Ken Bower wanted the lake to remain public but suggested it be a joint purchase. Mr. Bower mentioned alternative means of purchasing the lake. Citizens could give their time to maintain the lake. This area would be in Chapel Hill in the future and the town would have to provide recreation, probably at a higher cost.

Ms. Wendy Intrator of Glen Heights, had used the lake for years. No club in Chapel Hill offered such a lake. Ms. Intrator also represented the Friends of Chapel Hill who wanted to buy the lake. Civic groups had given time and money to improve the lake. She submitted letters from businesses in Chapel Hill who supported the acquisition of the lake.

Ms. Lisa Slott offered the citizens of Chapel Hill a good recreational facility within a reasonable distance. The purchase of Clearwater Lake was a good opportunity for Chapel Hill.

Mr. Don Bailey of Rt. 7, opposed the town's purchase of the lake. He represented some of the homeowners around Clearwater Lake who objected to the increased traffic and litter from the increased use. With the increased interest in the lake more people came, increasing the incidence of trespassing, illegal parking, and littering. The town would have security problems if they purchased the lake. He believed there would be access problems for the town to the lake as the road leading to the lake was privately owned.

Ms. Eleanor Kinnaird thought that as the lake would be accessible to the county, it should be a joint purchase.

Mr. William Rohe reminded the Council the CIP allocated money in 1984-85 for the purchase of a southern park. The town could take advantage of this opportunity to purchase Clearwater instead of waiting five years when the cost would be increased by inflation. He thought Carrboro should contribute to the purchase.

Mr. Phil Busby was opposed to the purchase of the lake. He suggested those who wanted to purchase the lake should form their own association to buy the lake.

The next speaker warned the Council that they could not continually increase the tax obligation of the citizens. The elderly lived on fixed incomes and would not use the lake as much as the young. He believed if Chapel Hill bought the lake, its use should be limited to the citizens of Chapel Hill.

Mr. Phil Hirsch was opposed to the selling of the lake but believed it should remain public. He believed the town should get the 40% discount on the purchase that the Y received when the lake was first purchased.

Mr. Barry Popkin stated that Friends of Chapel Hill would institute events over the summer to help the town purchase and maintain Clearwater. He believed there were potential state and federal funds to help with the maintenance and purchase.

Mr. Costa stated that transporting children from an urban environment to a rural one even for a weekend helped. Although he lived out of town, Mr. Costa wanted to speak on Clearwater because its ownership affected him. He said the Council was elected to make decisions and should not have the people vote on every matter.

Mr. Joe Capowski of Pittsboro Road, thought the town should purchase Clearwater Lake. The Community Facilities report called for a 60 acre recreational facility south of the by-pass. The quality of Jordan Lake for this purpose was questionable in his opinion. The town could speculate on land as could a developer.

Mr. Henry Whitfield again pointed out the problem of access to the lake. He believed the quality of the lake would diminish as growth occurred in this area. The Y had problems with the lake because it was too public. Mr. Whitfield did not want the town to assume the cost of maintenance of this lake. He believed the Y would replace Clearwater Lake and another Lake would be available to the youth of the town. Mr. Whitfield wanted the town to buy land in town which would be more accessible to residents.

Mr. David Hinds was opposed to the purchase of the lake. He preferred the Council spend the money on transportation and human services. If the lake was purchased, it should be by the county and Carrboro as well.

Ms. Len Stanley did not want Human Services cut to buy Clearwater, but thought the town could cut other items to purchase the lake. She did not believe Jordan lake would be an alternative because of its distance from Chapel Hill. Also the beach there could not be maintained because the water level would be constantly raised and lowered.

Ms. Jane Clary of Glen Heights wanted the lake to remain public.

Mr. Ralph Boatman objected to a major expenditure of funds for purchase of the lake without a town vote. The cost of the lake should not be borne by Chapel Hill alone.

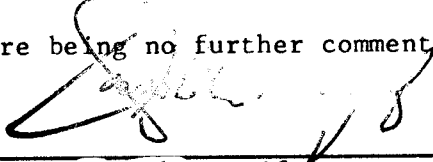
Ms. Leslie Scott wanted the lake to become more public. She believed it would continue to be of high quality.

Mr. Riley Wilson urged the Council to vote against the purchase of Clearwater lake. He did not believe Human Services and other departments should be cut so the town could buy the lake. The staff had recommended against the purchase.

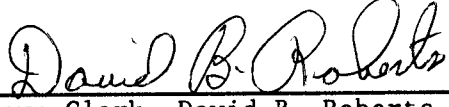
Mr. John Curry requested the Council to direct the Manager to present a budget with no tax increase. He stated the increase would be a hardship on the taxpayers.

Mr. Shipman informed the Council he had received a petition from supporters of the Library requesting the restoration of Sunday service.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was adjourned.



Mayor Joseph Nassif



Town Clerk, David B. Roberts

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MONDAY, JUNE 9, 1980 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Nassif called the meeting to order. Present were:

Marilyn Boulton
Joe Herzenberg
Jonathan Howes
Beverly Kawalec
R.D. Smith
Joe Straley
Bill Thorpe
Jim Wallace

Also present were Town Manager E. Shipman and Town Attorney E. Denny.

Public Hearing to Consider a Request for a Unified Business Development
Special Use Permit for Country Squire Antiques

All witnesses were sworn. Mr. Jennings presented the request for a special use permit to allow the construction of an addition to the existing building and construction of a new building. The property was located partially in Durham County. Concerns raised about the project centered on the septic tank and well and the parking areas along the access road.

Mr. Linquist submitted the statement of justification. The addition would allow for more storage space for the antique business. They did not anticipate the addition to affect the traffic in the area. Mr. Linquist traced the line of proposed I-40 along the map. Although it would eliminate the steak house next to the antique business, the tract used for the antique business would not be affected. The parking facility for the restaurant would also remain. The service road would deadend at the access ramp. The entrance to the service road would be along 15-501. Mr. Linquist requested a 50% reduction in parking. He had 35 spaces on his property and a contract with the restaurant to use their lot of over 100 spaces. Although the Planning Board had recommended parking be removed from the front of the building, Mr. Linquist objected. The business had been built to Durham standards with 8 spaces in front. The access road was not heavily trafficked at this time and with the construction of I-40 would only be used for their business. Mr. Linquist believed the parking in front of the building to be necessary so that customers would know they were open for business and for ease of access. With the proposed addition to the building, customers parking in the rear would have a long walk to the front for access. Having too many doors for customer access was a security problem. Mr. Linquist also expressed his confusion with the Planning Board request that the roof style conform to the present roof. The new building would have a mansard roof as did the old building. And, the addition connected to the old building at a place where the roof was flat.

There were no comments from the audience.