## Minutes Regular Meeting Board of Aldermen--Chapel Hill, N. C. November 17, 1952

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Town Hall on November 17, 1952 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present were Mayor Lanier, Aldermen Fowler, Fitch, Burch, Cornwell, and Putnam, Town Manager Rose, and Town Attorney LeGrand.

The minutes for the regular meeting of October 27, 1952 were read and approved. The minutes for the special meeting of November 3, 1952 were also read and approved.

Mr. Lanier read a recommendation from the Planning Board stating that the area annexed to Chapel Hill on December 25, 1951, known as a part of Westwood and Forest Hills be zoned as RA 10, effective this date, November 17, 1952. After some discussion, Mr. Putnam moved that this area be classified as RA 10 under the zoning ordinance. His motion was seconded by Mr. Fitch and unanimously passed.

Mr. M. C. Ernst came before the Board to request that they extend the sewer line up Westwood Drive so that Mrs. Campbell and he could connect to the Town line. He stated that he was having trouble with his septic tank. Mr. Lanier asked Mr. Ernst to put his request in writing and stated that the Board would then study the problem.

The report of the Health Department for the month of October, 1952 was read by Mr. Rose.

A copy of the Clerk of Court and the Police Department report for the month of October, 1952 was presented to each member present.

Mr. Rose reported that Mr. John Gove, Engineer, had made a survey of the proposed sewer line on Hill Street and stated that there would be an estimated 450 feet of sewer line with two manholes at an estimated cost of \$1850. After discussing this matter, Mr. Burch moved that the Town Manager be instructed to install sewer line on Hill Street following legal procedure. This motion was seconded by Mr. Putnam and passed unanimously.

Mr. Rose also reported that installing a sewer line on Wood-land Avenue and Dogwood Drive would cost an estimated \$6,152 and a sewer line on Senlac-Hooper Lane would be about \$1500. These matters were held for further consideration.

Mr. Rose reported that the petition for curb and gutter on Hill and Jones Streets was signed by 67% of the property owners on these streets. Without objection, it was decided to give this matter further consideration.

Mr. Rose read a letter from Mr. Nathan H. Yelton, Director of the Social Security stating that the Town employees could come under Social Security retroactive to January 1 by having the Board pass a Resolution to this effect. Mr. Rose stated that it would cost the Town approximately \$1200. After discussing this matter, the Board decided to take no action.

Mr. Rose reported that he expected a traffic light survey to be made this week at the intersection of South Columbia and McCauley Streets, and on Pittsboro Road near the new hospital, by a General Electric traffic expert, and that he hoped to have his recommendation to present to the Board at its next meeting.

The matter of sites for a new cemetery was discussed, but no definite action was taken. It was suggested that representatives be appointed in the community to work with the Board members in this matter.

Mr. Rose stated that Mr. Mebane Durham had returned from the service and would like his job back as fireman. He explained the problems involved, and after discussing this matter in full, Mr. Burch moved that a Committee of three and the Town Manager make a thorough study and make recommendations to the Board for handling the following three questions:

- 1. What to do with the eld fire truck when the recently purchased truck arrives.
- 2. Outside-town fire protection.
- 3. Mr. Andrews (now on fire department staff) and Mr. Durham (former fire department staff member returned from military service.)

Hr. Rose asked that Mr. LeGrand advise as to the person responsible for determining the financial rating of a bondsman. Mr. LeGrand stated that he would check the statute and give an opinion on this question.

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Mr. Rose requested instructions about sewer rental for the residents of Greenwood who had been connected to the sewer system as of October 1, for less than 12 months. The Attorney was asked to examine the contract with Greenwood and also the statutes concerning this question and report his opinion to the full Board at the next meeting.

Mr. Rose reported that a man from the State Insurance Department had spent two days in Chapel Hill without of the Town's firemen inspecting all the fraternity and sorority houses in Chapel Hill. He stated that the Town would receive a complete report of the inspections.

Mr. Rose stated that Davie Circle was practically ready for paving.

Mr. Rose read a letter from Mrs. Byrd requesting a street light on North Columbia Street. He stated that he did not think that a light was necessary. No action was taken by the Board.

Mr. Rose was asked to make a recommendation at the next meeting of the Board concerning no parking behind the Presbyterian Church between the hours of 9 and 12 a.m.

The Town Manager was asked to proceed with the five foot set-back of curb and gutter in front of the Orange Prinsthop at an estimated cost of \$300, this amount to be taken out of the Powell Bill Funds.

Mr. Putnam asked Mr. Rose if the Town labor force could help the Merchant's Association put up the Christmas decorations. Mr. Rose said that they would be glad to help.

Mr. Fitch asked Mr. Rose to have Mr. Peacock give him the insolvent list so that the Finance Committee could meet and act upon it.

Upon motion of Mr. Burch, seconded by Mr. Putnam, and unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m. o'clock.

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After hearing the minutes for the regular meeting of November 17, 1952, read as amended on motion made by Alderman Putnam , seconded by Alderman Fitch , the minutes were approved by vote of the Board of Alderman this the 24th day of November, 1952.

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