

On recommendation of the Planning Director and on motion of Councilman Massei, seconded by Councilman Plummer, the Review of Progress under the workable program for the prevention and elimination of slums and blight in Fayetteville was approved by the Council.

On request of the taxi owners action on the petition requesting that the number of operator's permits be reduced further was deferred to the next meeting of the Council.

On recommendation of the City Manager and the Chief of Police and on motion of Councilman Massei, seconded by Councilman Rose, the applications of the following men for taxi driver's permits were unanimously approved.

Theodore J. Walker
Melvin Davidson

John McLaughlin
William Hurley

Joseph Dugay

Because of a court record there was no recommendation on the application of Daniel Council for a Taxi Driver's permit, therefore, no action was taken by the Council.

The City Manager reported the resignation of Robert Lee Powers from the Police Department. Councilman Plummer moved that the resignation be accepted. Motion seconded by Councilman Massei and unanimously carried.

On recommendation of the City Manager and Chief of the Fire Department and on motion of Councilman Plummer, seconded by Councilman Massei, William Robert Tillman and Ronald Chason Owen were appointed as members of the Fire Department.

Mr. Bill Ashley, Assistant Engineer, reported that work on the plans for a boat ramp are nearly finished and requested permission to advertise for bids on the construction. Councilman Rose moved that permission be granted for advertising for bids on the Boat ramp. Motion seconded by Councilman Massei and unanimously carried.

The City Manager read a letter from the Chamber of Commerce requesting permission to hand two very attractive signs on the north and south sides of the Market House directing the public to their office for observation and approval of the Council. Councilman Plummer moved that the request be approved on a temporary basis, the signs to be removed on request of the Council. Motion seconded by Councilman Massei and unanimously carried.

Mayor Herndon read a letter from the Association of the U. S. Army commending Councilman Ernest L. Massei for the fine work he has done as president of this association for the past two years. The members of the Council extended their congratulations to Mr. Massei and expressed pleasure at this recognition.

Members of the Council commended Mr. Al Rumbough, Planning Director on the fine job done by him on the Report on the Economy of Fayetteville.

Councilman J. W. Pate, Jr., stated that because of several reasons which he felt would justify such action felt that he should resign as a member of the City Council. Some of the reasons stated by Mr. Pate were as follows:

1. Pressure of duties in connection with his position at the First Citizens Bank.
2. A sincere desire on his part to spend more time with his family.
3. A desire to have more free time during the coming weeks that he could devote to the promotion of the interest of certain candidates in the November election.
4. Unfavorable publicity given him recently by the Fayetteville Observer and by some of the radio stations which, in his opinion, would make his services on the Council less effective than previously.

He then offered his resignation orally but no action was taken by the Council.

There being no further business, on motion of Councilman Massei, seconded by Councilman Plummer, the meeting was adjourned.

Louis H. Zelt
City Clerk

Special Meeting
City Council - Fayetteville, N.C.
August 25, 1960

A special meeting of the City Council was held in the City Hall on August 25, 1960 at 4:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor George B. Herndon

Donald Strickland for City Attorney

Councilmen: Eugene Plummer
J. W. Pate, Jr.
Sol C. Rose
Ernest L. Massei

Councilman J. W. Pate, Jr., presented a letter to Mayor Herndon which was opened and read. A part of the letter was as follows:

"The purpose of this letter is to attempt to summarize the happenings of the past few days with regards to my orally tendered resignation of last Monday evening. A further purpose of this letter is to officially tender to the City Council my written and legal resignation from that body."

On advice of Mr. Strickland that action on the resignation must be delayed until the next regular meeting, Councilman Massei moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Councilman Rose and unanimously carried.

Louis H. Zelt
City Clerk