

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on November 5, 1975 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Ike Fulks presiding.

Present: George Hunnicutt, W. F. McElroy, Ike Fulks, Roy Roberts, Jim Humphreys

Also present: Milas Franks, City Manager; Montie Meeks, City Attorney

The minutes of the October 7, 1975 Council Meeting were read and approved with correction to Item 7214 in that the revised City of Norton Code was adopted on first reading and Item 7219 regarding the Mayor's inquiry as to whether signs had been placed in city parks rather than in parking lots.

On motion by Jim Humphreys, seconded by George Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council appointed Dolores Hayes as temporary clerk of City Council. 7220  
George Hunnicutt, yes; W. F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes;  
Jim Humphreys, yes.

Mrs. Leho, Sr. came before the City Council protesting a statement published by the State Highway Dept. on the Design of Highway 23 on Southside of Norton which made reference to one "ethnic family" living in that area. She was under the impression that this information published in the booklet came from the City of Norton but Council advised her it did not. Council suggested that she contact the State Highway Dept. in Bristol. 7221

Mrs. Lovell came before the City Council requesting that a street light be erected on Locust Ave. between 7th & 8th Streets. The Mayor instructed the City Manager to also look into the parking problem on these streets. 7222

The City Manager gave the second reading for Adoption of Code for City of Norton. On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council voted to adopt code on second reading to be effective December 5, 1975. (See attached page) George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes. 7223

The City Manager presented a resolution to approve the redevelopment plan as amended by Amendment No. 3. The changes that have occurred in the Amendment No. 3 are the redesignation of two or three areas to open space area. Mr. Franks also presented a letter prepared by Mr. Wright Dawson and himself to be submitted to the Dept. of HUD in Richmond. On motion by Jim Humphreys, seconded by W.F. Elroy, and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council approved the resolution authorizing Amendment #3 of the Southside Redevelopment Plan and Mr. Franks' letter to HUD with the following correction to the second paragraph under Item 3. Instead of the date of June 1976 for a disposition date of Block 6 Council revised the sentence to say "sell as soon as possible within the confines of the long range well being of the City of Norton". (See attached page). 7224  
George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes;  
Jim Humphreys, yes.

The City Manager presented an ordinance pertaining to Taxi Cabs in the City of Norton. On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Jim Humphreys and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council moved to approve the ordinance as presented on first reading. Mr. Franks also informed City Council that he has reviewed the request for an additional taxi cab and finds a need for one additional cab at this time. (See attached page). 7225  
George Hunnicutt, yes; W. F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes;  
Jim Humphreys, yes.

The City Manager presented an ordinance amending Chapter 8, Licenses and Taxation, Number 175, Mineral Processing and/or Loading Facilities for the Council's adoption. On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy, and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council adopted the ordinance on first reading. (See attached page).

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7226

The City Manager presented to the City Council a resolution in support of the proposed Design of Virginia Route 23/58 Alternate Norton, Virginia with modification. On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Jim Humphreys and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council adopted the resolution. (See attached page).

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7227

The City Manager presented to the Council the new Insta-Phone Agreement which is required for execution in order to update the existing agreement. Mr. Franks called on Chief W. A. Jones to describe the Insta-Phone System to the members of the Council. On Motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by George Hunnicutt and carried by the following roll call vote Council approved the new agreement to pay \$450 per annum for the Insta-Phone System. (See Attached page).

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, Abstained; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7228

The City Manager presented to the Council an Erosion & Sediment Control Ordinance for the City of Norton and on motion by Jim Hymphreys, seconded by George Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council adopted on first reading said ordinance as written. (See attached page).

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7229

The City Manager presented to the Council a Resolution Amending the City's Employee Grievance Procedure and on motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council moved to adopt the amendment as an emergency measure with an effective date of November 5, 1975. (See attached page).

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7230

The City Attorney presented to the Council an ordinance prohibiting the cursing, swearing, or being drunk in public in the City of Norton and on motion by W.F. McElroy seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council adopted said ordinance on first reading. (See attached page)

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7231

The City Attorney presented to the Council an ordinance for classification of misdemeanor offenses. On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by George Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council adopted this ordinance as read on first reading. (See attached page)

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7232

The City Attorney presented an ordinance adopting Title 46.1 of the Motor Vehicle Code of the Commonwealth of Virginia and Adopting Title 18.2, Chapter 7, Article 2, of the Code of Virginia by reference for the City of Norton. On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jim Humphreys and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council adopted said ordinance on first reading. (See attached page) George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7233

The City Manager brought before the Council members a notice from the State Health Department informing the City of Norton that they are in violation of Section 4.04.01, Reliability of System, Part II. Mr. Franks asked Council for ideas on how to alleviate the problem with the water supply for the City. On motion by Jim Humphreys, seconded by George Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council moved to authorize the City Manager to consult appropriate engineers to get quotations for making improvements to correct the water supply situation for the City of Norton and report back to the Council members at the next Council Meeting before any action is taken. George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7234

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council moved that all capital expenditure items should be re-submitted to the City Council prior to obligating the City to expend same. George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7235

Mr. Danny Mullins, City Engineer, was asked by the City Manager to review by maps the recently annexed areas of the City of Norton. Mr. Mullins pointed out the proposed zoning classification for these annexed areas which are under review by the Planning Commission. George Hunnicutt requested that he be given a clearly defined meaning of the "controlled leisure residential area" label that was given to one of the newly annexed areas for the City of Norton.

7236

The City Manager informed the Council that the City of Norton has \$2,500 in the budget for Bicentennial Activities and asked for their ideas on how the City of Norton could best display the Bicentennial theme throughout the business district of Norton. He suggested to the Council members such items as painting of fire hydrants with colors of red, white, and blue; pole streamers and flags; Bicentennial patches for the Police Department; city stickers with the Bicentennial theme. A brief discussion by council members followed. On motion by Jim Humphreys, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council moved that the City Manager should have a meeting with the Bicentennial Committee before making final decision on these items. George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

7237

The City Manager presented to the City Council a copy of the City Audit prepared by Thrower & Thrower. Council members agreed to discuss the audit at a work session on a later date and have Monroe Thrower present for this discussion.

7238

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Jim Humphreys and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council instructed the City Attorney, Montie Meeks to prepare an appropriate resolution commending Mr. Jim Williams with the State Highway Department for his work here in the City of Norton while a resident of the City, and prepare in triplicate so a copy can be sent to the State Highway Dept.

7239

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

Mr. Jim Williams with the State Highway Dept. came before the Council to present a resolution designating the streets and highways in Norton which can receive Federal Aid Highway assistance. His assistant, Roger Jones then gave a short outline of the resolution. On motion by Jim Humphreys, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council voted to approve the resolution as presented. (See attached page).

7240

George Hunnicutt, yes; W.F. McElroy, yes; Ike Fulks, yes; Roy Roberts, yes; Jim Humphreys, yes.

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

Ike Fulks  
MAYOR

Doloris Hayes  
Acting Clerk of the City Council