

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room and the John I. Burton Auditorium on April 21, 1970 at 7:30 P.M. with Vice Mayor Hunnicutt presiding.

Present: G.E. Hunnicutt, S.H. Neeley, W.G. Stallard, Robert Leonard

Absent: V.O. Flanary

Also Present: Evan Norton, City Manager

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A group of people representing Area Recreation Committee was present with Father O'Brian presenting request that council include an additional \$7,000.00 in the budget for recreation. Greg Stewart, President of Student Council spoke in behalf of students 5110 of Burton High, expressing need for such a center. John Franks also spoke on needs for youth center.

Father O'Brian in his above request - requested the employment of full time recreation director for City of Norton. Council advised Father O'Brian that consideration would be given to above request.

Mr. G.C. Wharton appeared before council presenting request of Cumberland Airport Authority for the City to appropriate \$650.00 in next fiscal year budget for Cumberland Airport. Council advised this had already been placed in budget. 5111

Vice Mayor Hunnicutt then opened the meeting for the discussion of proposed tax reassessments. The following persons voiced their opinions on the subject: Mrs. Tony Skorupa, Bill Clemmons, Blacky Voni, John Jenkins, Sam Harman, Joe Stallard, Mrs. Joe Kilgore, Don Stallard, Robert Phelps, Frances Fuller, Wade Winstead, Ralph Blevins, John Farah, Glenn Collins, Mrs. Jay Litts, Fred Baker, Charles Hicks, Gene Hughes, Ike Fultz, Hoge Horne, G.E. Wharton, Fred Benton, Walter Freeman, Mr. Williams. Council discussed this matter at length with the citizens present. Council assured these citizens they would check into this matter to see just what their legal position was. 5112

Charlie Daniels brought to the citizens attention the many projects which had been brought about under present administration. Some of the things mentioned were Kentucky Avenue, Water & Sewer Project, Recreation Plan, Neighborhood Facilities, Housing Units, Rescue Squad, Flag Rock. Mr. Daniels expressed his opinion that council had stretched the city's dollar as far as possible. 5113

John Harman asked about power of Board of Equalization for tax assessment. 5114
Council advised the city attorney would have to check this matter further.

Mr. John Jenkins requested that something be done ~~to~~ road near his residence near the old CCC Camp. 5115

Mr. Glenn Collins requested street light near his property on 11th Street. 5116

Mr. Harry Hensley of Murphy Street brought to council's attention the fact that he had been to council a few years ago requesting his driveway into his garage be fixed where the city had damaged by ditch line. He stated he was getting drainage from broken sewer on adjoining property. Matter referred to City Manager.

Mr. Walter Freeman of Laurel Avenue requested road repair from wash-out by rains. 5118
Referred to City Manager.

Mr. Hoge Horne advised council he had been denied purchase of city tag because he had not first paid his personal property tax. 5119

- Mr. Curtis Ison requested street light near his residence on East Park Avenue. Referred to City Manager. 5120
- Mr. Norton reported on status of EDA and FHA Projects. 5121
- Mr. Norton advised council that the Public Housing was now in final stages. 5122
- Mr. Norton briefly discussed Neighborhood Facilities Project. 5123
- Mr. Norton advised council April 27th - May 9th had been declared as clean-up week by Mayor Flanary. 5124
- Mr. Norton presented Anti-Litter Ordinance. Council instructed the City Manager to have this ordinance posted. 5125
- Mr. Norton advised council/^{he}would be attending City Manager's meeting in Williamsburg, April 30th - May 1st. 5126
- Mr. Norton advised council that the funds spent in the development office for staff and expenses had been reimbursed to City of Norton in amount of \$5,013.04 from Federal Funds. Vice Mayor Hunnicutt spoke further on expenses for development office being repaid by U.S. Housing & Urban Development Funds. 5127
- Mr. Joe Stallard asked what the deadline on city tags was. Council advised there had been an extension to May 15th. 5128
- Mr. Bill Clements suggested that an educational program on tax assessment be held. 5129
- There being no further business to come before the council same adjourned.


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 Vice Mayor