

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on July 7, 1970 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

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

Also Present: Evan Norton, City Manager

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A group of students from Miss Yeary's Government Class was present at council meeting and asked questions concerning different ordinances, policies and regulations of the City Government. Miss Yeary was also present and took part in the question and answer part. 5187

Mr. & Mrs. Monroe Moore and Mr. Hubbard of Hamner Avenue were present inquiring as to what action was being taken on excavation problem in street back of their residences. They were advised this matter was turned over to City Attorney Stump and that it was a matter to be settled by their attorney and the city's attorney. 5188

Mr. Don Davis presented request for appointment of two representatives to Tri-County Housing Corporation Board to represent Norton and Wise County. 5189

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote council moved that two members of Norton Redevelopment & Housing Authority be appointed as members of the Tri-County Housing Corporation Board.

Mr. Davis also requested appointed of member and alternate to Lonesome Pine Development Corporation.

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by Robert Leonard and carried by unanimous vote council moved that Mrs. Dorothy Norton be appointed as member of Lonesome Pine Development Corporation and that Evan Norton be appointed as alternate. 5190

Mr. Davis advised council that head start had of this date been approved and that there would be head start next year. 5191

Mr. Norton advised council the contract had been let on new elementary school and that construction would begin July 15th. 5192

Mr. Norton advised that the 1970-71 budget as passed had been presented. Council agreed that the funds in Flag Rock should be set aside in the audit of June 30th for flag rock. 5193

Mr. Norton advised council that he and city engineer and Edward Tate of Thompson and Litton were scheduled for a meeting with EDA office in Huntington on Wednesday July 8th to attend a planning conference on the Water Project. 5194

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by W.G. Stallard and carried by unanimous vote the following resolutions were passed: Resolution on Construction of U.S. Route 23 in Norton; Resolution on Construction of Route 74 in Norton; Resolution on the adoption of the Norton-Area Thoroughfare System. (Ordinances on Page 245) 5195

Mr. Norton advised that the 1970 census count was now 4249. 5196

Mr. Norton advised council that the final plans and specifications for the new jail are ready for bids.

Council instructed the City Manager to proceed with the advertising of bids for new jail construction. 5197

Council discussed at length new garbage system and rates. Referred back to City Manager for revision.

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Mr. Norton reported there was nothing new on the Neighborhood Facilities Project.

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Mr. Norton advised they were in the process of securing a recreation director.

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Council briefly discussed re-surfacing program.

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On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote council moved that the details and account of rescue of boys from burning car be secured and that a proper resolution be prepared and sent to the persons involved.

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On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by W.G. Stallard and carried by the following votes council moved that the City Manager be authorized and empowered to enter into a contract with Blue-Cross - Blue-Shield Insurance Company provided a clear-cut majority of employees desire to go into the Blue-Cross-Blue Shield. V.O. Flanary, G.E. Hunnicutt, W.G. Stallard, Robert Leonard - YEAH; S.H. Neeley - Nay.

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There being no further business to come before council same adjourned.

Vernon O. Flanary
Mayor

J. Miller
Clerk