

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on July 15, 1969 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

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

Also Present: Evan Norton, City Manager

Absent: R. L. Collins

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion by G. E. Hunnicutt, seconded by W. G. Stallard and carried by unanimous vote Council moved that W. P. Kanto be re-appointed to City of Norton School Board for a three year term, said term to expire June 30, 1972.

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On motion by W. G. Stallard, seconded by G. E. Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous roll call vote the following resolution was passed:

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA, that

WHEREAS, the firm of Greear, Bowen, Mullins, Winston and Sturgill be, and hereby is employed by said Council for an indeterminate time to serve as City Attorney for the City of Norton,

WHEREAS, the said firm shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Code of the City of Norton. They shall be remunerated as follows: one hundred dollars (\$100) monthly for prosecution in City Court, and one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) monthly for other services as prescribed by Code,

WHEREAS, any other services performed shall be arranged by negotiation prior to rendering of such other services.

On motion by G. E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S. H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote Council moved that the following resolution regarding Community College be adopted:

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BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia that,

WHEREAS, the Virginia Community College Board will make a determination of the location of a Community College for the westernmost area of Virginia on July 23, 1969, and,

WHEREAS, the City of Norton is vitally interested in the location of said college, and

WHEREAS, the population center of said area to be served is within five (5) miles of the City of Norton, and

WHEREAS, both a suitable location as well as excellent public utilities are available to nearby Big Stone Gap,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTON that it recommends to the Community College Board this Big Stone Gap location, and be it further resolved that said City Council supports and endorses the position of Wise County in regards to this matter.

On motion by S. H. Neeley, seconded by G. E. Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous vote Council adopted the following resolution regarding Sister City of Wyoming:

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BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia that,

WHEREAS, the City of Norton, Virginia and the City of Wyoming, Michigan have, by duly passed resolution of their respective Council and Commissions, duly adopted one another, and have become Sister Cities in the finest tradition; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wyoming has dispatched to the City of Norton two walkers on foot in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of the City of Norton, and

WHEREAS, the City of Wyoming has further dispatched members of its august Commission and other officials to the City of Norton to further join in the said Diamond Jubilee Celebration, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Norton has dispatched members of its Council and other officials to the City of Wyoming to do great honor to the Wyoming Rodeo to be held during the week of July 14, 1969,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTON that these emissaries to our Sister City of Wyoming do, and are hereby empowered to, negotiate with the most enlightened Commission of the City of Wyoming to make available to said commission and the good people of the City of Wyoming a tract of our majestic mountain land, consisting of a half-acre, and to be selected by the Commission of Wyoming or their duly appointed representatives, for the purpose of allowing our Michigan Brothers to cause to be erected a mountain retreat to be used by this Commission, its successors and assigns and appointees, at a cost to the City of Wyoming which shall be purely nominal for said land. This in furtherance of our cultural exchange, and as further evidence of the feeling of great esteem on the part of the City of Norton for the City of Wyoming.

Council briefly discussed proposed addition to St. Mary's Hospital. Council agreed to go as group to hospital Wednesday morning to express their willingness to co-operate in order for hospital to be built as soon as possible.

4903

Mr. Paul Leonard, representative of Davis Chapel Church, appeared before Council inquiring as to status of request for sewer service to church. Mr. Norton advised them that he had contacted Sinclair Bulk Plant operator and that as soon as they had heard from their main office the matter would be taken up again.

4904

Mr. Kline Stallard and Mrs. Harrison from Coeburn appeared before Council and presented flag to Mayor as replacement of flag burned on Flag Rock. Mayor Flanary expressed the City's appreciation for this kind gesture.

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A group of men from Thacker's Branch, Bear Branch and Needmore section appeared before Council requesting water service. Reverend Glenn Sturgill and Mr. Bradford were two of the spokesmen from this group. Council discussed this matter at length and requested these gentlemen to make a survey of what the people are willing to do and can do toward getting water line to their properties and report back to City Manager.

4906

Mr. Jack McElroy as spokesman for Rescue Squad appeared before Council inquiring as to the amount of money left in their fund. Matter referred to City Manager.

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Water connection on Rose Avenue was referred to the City Manager.

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Mr. Norton discussed briefly with Council status of Highway Project 74 and Kentucky Avenue.

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Mr. Norton advised Council of meeting on July 23 in Richmond On the Workable Program.

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Mr. Norton brought Council up to date on Federal programs - Neighborhood Facilities, EDA Application & FHA Loan.

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Mr. Norton advised Council of status of elementary school.

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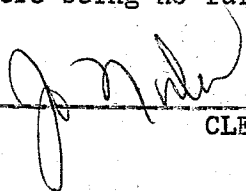
Mr. Norton advised Council of meeting July 23 concerning Community Colleges.

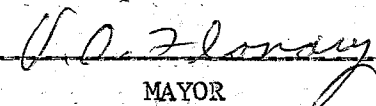
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Mr. Norton advised Council of letter received from EDA regarding eligibility for Federal Funds.

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

  
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