August 6, 1968

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on August 6, 1968 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

Present: V.O. Flanary, G.E. Hunnicutt, -C.W. Bryant, S.H. Neeley

Also Present: Robert Stump & Leslie Mullins, Attorneys

R.L. Collins Absent:

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A delegation of citizens from Liberty Avenue, Petrey Street and 10th Street, S.E. #4471 with Jack Redman as spokesman appeared before Council inquiring as to plans for improvement of said streets, requesting that something be done so that transportation and delivery of mail could be carried out. Postmaster Stallard also spoke on behalf of these citizens regarding condition of road for mail delivery. After discussion with the citizens, the Mayor was instructed to check into and to give relief as soon as possible.

Mr. Claude Adams of Josephine appeared before Council requesting water and sewer lines to proposed trailer court. Council advised Mr. Adams that this matter should be taken up with City Manager for investigation.

Mr. & Mrs. David Emershaw appeared before Council inquiring as to status of having ponies inside the City. Council advised that as stated in Police Chief report only one objection was voiced. No action taken.

Mr. Leroy Gabbert of U.S. Forest Service gave report on inspection of recent timber cuttings. He stated that the only thing that wasn't complete was the blocking of roads entering from highway into watershed. Council requested Mr. Gabbert to advise Mr. Meade of Hamer Lumber Company of this situation and request that this be taken care of and reported back to Council. On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by G.E. Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous vote, Council authorized the Mayor and Treasurer to release the bond when the Ranger reports to the Mayor that the work is completed and that the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to close the contract after final payment has been received.

Mr. Lee Burnham brought to Council's attention the need for a new Board member and requested that procedures for appointment of Mr. Norton be started immediately.

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by G.E. Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous vote, the following resolution recommending to the Judge of Circuit Court the appointment of Mr. Evan Norton as member of City of Norton Welfare Board was passed:

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, that the Judge of the Circuit Court of Wise County, Virginia, is respectfully requested to order that Evan Norton be appointed as a member of the Welfare Board of the City of Norton, Virginia, to serve out the unexpired term of David B. Norman, resigned, which said term shall expire on November 21, 1969.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote, the following resolution was passed recommending to the Judge of the Circuit Court the appointment of Charles Bond as member of the Planning Commission for the City of Norton:

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council 66 the City of Norton, Virginia, that the Judge of the Circuit Court of Wise County, Virginia, is respectfully requested to order that Charles Bond be appointed a member of the Planning Commission of the City of Norton, Virginia, for a term of three (3) years to expire on August 1, 1971.

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On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by G.E. Hunnicutt and carried #4477 by unanimous vote, Council moved that the following be appointed as members of Local Highway Safety Commission as prescribed in Code of Virginia, Chapter 7.2, Section 2.1-64.19, as per recommendation of Chief of Police Kelley: Bill Stallard, Chairman, J. Robert Stump, Clarence Holcomb, W.F. Kelley, Ben Valley.

Council discussed paving bids.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the paving bids be referred to City Manager and City Attorney to expedite matter in accordance with State Specifications and procedures.

Council discussed Chief Kelley's Report on crosswalk at Swimming #4479

Council discussed report of Rescue Squad and Flag Rock Project. #4480 Council requested that the Mayor's time and use of equipment also be included in said report to be reported back at next Council meeting.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by #4481 unanimous vote, the following highway resolution was passed upon recommendation of Attorney Mullins:

WHEREAS, the Highway Department proposes to construct or otherwise improve a section of Kentucky Avenue, designated as Project 6058-146-103,C501; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is responsible for making arrangements for the adjustment and/or relocation or certain utilities and for the installation of any new utility facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Norton, hereby certifies that all arrangements have been made or will be made for the relocation and/or adjustment of said utility facilities, and for the installation of any new facilities. In the event of any justifiable claims from the road contractor for delays or interference caused by said utilities, the City of Norton hereby agrees to be responsible for said claims, provided the City is advised in writing by the Highway Department at the time of delay that the road contractor intends to file a claim. The Highway Commissioner shall decide all questions, difficulties and disputes of what ever nature that may arise because of the delay.

Said utilités are identified as follows:

Utility Owner

The C. & P. Telephone Company
Old Dominion Power Company
P. G. R. Enterprises, Inc.
City of Norton

Type of Facility

Telephone
Power
Television Cable
Water and Sanitary Sewer

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by C.W. Bryant and carried #4482 by unanimous vote, Council moved that the following resolution be passed recommending to the Judge of the Circuit Court the appointment of Mrs. Doris Benton as City Registrar:

BE IT RESOLVED by the City County of the City of Norton, Virginia, that the Judge of the Circuit Court of Wise County, Virginia, is respectfully requested to order that Mrs. Doris Benton be appointed as Registrar for the City of Norton, Virginia, to succeed Mrs. Joseph M. Kuczko, who has resigned.

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

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