

August 1, 1967

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on August 1, 1967 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

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

Also Present: David Norman, City Manager & Robert Stump, Attorney

Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

Mr. & Mrs. <sup>A.P.</sup> Smokey Carter appeared before Council regarding unoccupied residence adjoining their property on Oak Avenue. After a discussion the City Attorney was instructed to investigate this matter and report back at next Council meeting. #4109

Mr. Joe Rhodes with the State Highway Dept. appeared before Council, as per request of City Manager, to discuss with Council the widening of East Park Avenue. After discussion of this matter, Council agreed that this matter should be discussed with Highway Traffic Engineer, Mr. Rhodes, Chief of Police and City Manager. #4110

Mr. Norman advised Council of meeting with Mr. Charles McElroy regarding Rescue Squad Building Site. He advised, that in Mr. McElroy's opinion, the Municipal Parking Lot could not be utilized for this purpose. Council further discussed other feasible sites. #4111

Council requested the City Manager to present copy of contract with the State Health Department relative to use of lot. They also agreed to have a meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 P.M. to discuss this matter further.

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by R.L. Collins and carried by unanimous vote, the following amendment to Chapter 4 entitled "Fire Prevention" of the Code of the City of Norton, Virginia was passed on first reading: #4112

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, that Chapter 4, entitled "Fire Prevention" of the Code of the City of Norton, Virginia, be amended as follows:

#### Section 4-2 CREATION OF DEPARTMENT

There is hereby created a Fire Department of the City which shall be composed of an organization known as the Norton Fire Department. Its object shall be the preservation and protection of life and property from and during such fires as may occur in the City.

#### Section 4-3 DIRECTOR

The City Manager shall be the Director of the Department, and he shall have control and supervision over the same. Unless otherwise provided in this Chapter, he shall appoint with advice of the Fire Chief all officers and assistants of the Department, including drivers, and shall fix their compensation.

#### Section 4-4 MEMBERSHIP

(a) Any male citizen of good reputation in the City or immediate vicinity, twenty-one years of age shall be eligible for membership in the Department; provided, he passes the necessary physical examination and that his membership shall have been approved by the City Manager prior to his election as a member of the Fire Department.

(b) The active members of the Department shall consist of not less than twenty, be not less than twenty-one years of age, who shall perform the actual duties of firemen as required by the laws of the state, the ordinances of the City and the rules regulations and by-laws of the Department. The maximum number of active members

shall be set by the City Manager with the approval of the City Council.

Section 4-5 WORKING OFFICERS

The working officers of the Department shall be a Chief, Assistant Chief, Captain, First Lieutenant and Second Lieutenant, and such additional officers as shall be deemed necessary. These officers shall be appointed by the City Manager prior to the regular meeting of the company in September and shall hold office from one year of time of appointment. All such appointments shall be reported to the Council for confirmation or rejection at its September meeting. In the event of any vacancy, the City Manager shall fill the same by appointment.

Section 4-6 BUSINESS OFFICERS

The social and business officers of the Department shall be a President, Vice President and Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as shall be deemed necessary. These officers shall be elected by the majority vote of the members present at the regular meeting in September and shall hold office for one year from time of election. These officers shall have been active members of the Department for at least twelve months prior to their election. There may be appointed by the presiding officer such committees as may be deemed necessary for the proper transaction of business.

Section 4-7 RESIGNATIONS

In case of death, resignation or removal of any officer in Section 4-6, an election shall be held at the first regular meeting thereafter to fill the unexpired term. Should a member withdraw from the Department for any reason, he shall be required at once to turn into the Chief all property of the Department in his possession.

Section 4-8 MEETINGS

(a) There shall be twelve monthly meetings of the Department held in each year and a majority of the active members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business. A special meeting shall be called at any time by the President or by five active members on application to the President or in his absence by the Vice President.

(b) In case of special meetings, notice must be given every member of the Department as quickly as possible, either verbally or by a postal card.

Section 4-9 DRILLS

There shall be at least twenty-four regular drills of the Department each year to be held at such time as shall be designated by the Chief of the Dept.

Section 4-14 DRIVERS

On the alarm of fire the driver shall upon the arrival of the members of the Department, take the apparatus to the fire by the nearest and best route and there be subject to the orders of the Chief or members in charge. It shall be the duty of each driver to familiarize himself with the location of all fire plugs and streets in the City and any officer may at any time question them as to the location of same.

On motion by C.W. Bryant, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous #4113  
 vote, Tommy Adams was reappointed as member of Norton Planning Commission for a  
 three year term, said term to expire July 31, 1970.

On motion by C.W. Bryant, seconded by G.E. Hunnicutt and carried by #4114  
 unanimous vote, Council moved that Wright H. Dawson be recommended to the Judge  
 for appointment to City of Norton Electoral Board.

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by R.L. Collins and carried by unanimous #4115  
 vote, the following resolution regarding contract with L. & N. Railroad Company  
 for right of way on 21st St., S.W. was passed:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Norton is hereby authorized to  
 enter into contract with the Louisville and Nashville Railroad granting the City  
 of Norton the right to construct & maintain a 2 inch water line upon right-of-way  
 of the Railroad.

The foregoing resolution was submitted to a vote of the Council and unanimously  
 adopted.

On motion by R.L. Collins, seconded by C.W. Bryant and carried by unanimous #4116  
 vote, Council moved, as per recommendation of City Manager, street light be  
 installed in middle of block on 9th Street between Spruce Street and Va. Avenue.

The City Manager advised Council of the conviction of one litter bug and the #4117  
 summons of another.

The City Manager advised Council of status of 11th Street Project. #4118

The City Manager advised Council of sales tax collections for May. #4119

Mayor Flanary presented request of Carson Hibbitts and Robert Whitaker for #4120  
 something to be done to Virginia Avenue, N.E. Matter referred to City Manager.

Mayor Flanary presented request of Bates Hensley for repairs to be done to #4121  
 alley behind Ashland Service Station on East Park Avenue.

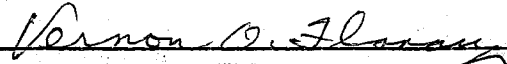
Mayor Flanary presented request of George Wharton and three other neighbors #4122  
 for repairs to road in Round Town.

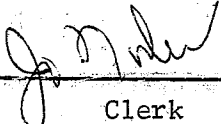
Councilman Bryant brought to Council's attention large holes in road at #4123  
 railroad crossing near Norton Hardware. Matter referred to City Manager.

Mayor Flanary presented request of Mr. Dorton, owner of Copper Kettle, #4124  
 and Shely Mullins for extension of City water to serve their properties on  
 Norton-Wise Road. After a lengthy discussion and on motion by G.E. Hunnicutt,  
 seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by the following votes, Council moved that  
 the City Manager negotiate with said parties offering water extension with a  
 6 inch line, property owners to pay cost of said line.

Hunnicutt, Neeley, Bryant, Collins \* YEAH  
 Flanary \* NAY

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

  
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 Mayor

  
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 Clerk