

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on September 21, 1965 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Holcomb presiding.

Present: J.C. Holcomb, Archie Woods, V.O. Flanary, C.W. Bryant, R.L. Collins

Also Present: David Norman, City Manager, R.T. Winston, Attorney

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Winston ask that Council give consideration to having the City Charter amended so as to provide for two or more additional Justice of the Peace. 2518

On motion by Archie Woods, seconded by V.O. Flanary and carried by unanimous vote the following resolution was passed:

Be It Resolved by the City of Norton that Senator M.M. Long and our Delegates to the House of Delegates be requested to have the City Charter amended at the next Legislature so as to enable the City of Norton to appoint or elect two Justice of the Peace, one of whom will be elected or appointed from East precinct and one of whom will be appointed or elected from the West precinct.

Mr. Winston read to council the resignation of Mr. Tom Cassell as Justice of Peace of City of Norton. Council deferred action on acceptance of this resolution until a later date. 2519

Council instructed Mr. Winston, City Attorney to start proceedings for condemnation of unsightly shack on property of Mrs. J.M. Allen facing on Kline Avenue. This property is unhealthy, unsanitary, very dangerous and a fire trap. Council also instructed Mr. Winston to do the same for the R.H. Newcomb property on Kentucky Avenue. 2520

Council ask the city manager if we had an ordinance covering soliciting, loafing & vagrancy. Mr. Norman and Mr. Winston advised that we had ordinances to cover same. 2521

Mr. Norman gave report of delinquent taxes for first 21 days of September - taxes \$1,809.50; penalty & interest \$230.68 or a total of \$2,040.18. 2522

Mr. Norman presented treasurer's report for month of August, 1965. 2523

Mr. Norman read report from inspector of city jail. The report stated that the city lock-up was in good condition. 2524

Mr. Norman read a letter from Mr. Ralph Minor, Chairman of the Lee-Norton-Scott-Wise Regional Planning & Economic Development Commission, expressing the appreciation of the commission for the contribution made by the City of Norton which helped to make their program possible. 2525

On motion by C.W. Bryant, seconded by Archie Woods and carried by unanimous vote the following resolution was passed: 2526

Resolved that the State Highway Department be requested to study the possibility of constructing a sidewalk on bridge across Guest River near the filter plant in Ramsey. 2527

Mr. Norman presented request for street light on corner of Poplar Street and Beech Street.

On motion by C.W. Bryant, seconded by R.L. Collins and carried by unanimous vote council instructed the city manager to have street light installed at corner of Beech and Poplar Streets. 2528

Councilman Woods stated that Mrs. Mary Marlow and her father J.M. Buchanan had asked that he bring to council's attention the condition of the entrance to their house on 11th Street. Matter referred to City Manager. 2529

Council again discussed unlicensed vehicles being parked on the streets. 2530  
Council also discussed vehicles operating in the city without city tags.

Mr. Norman ask council what the city's policy was on putting in culvert driveways on city's rights of way. Council advised Mr. Norman that the owner purchase the pipe and city place the same. 2531

Council instructed the city manager to write Mrs. C.I. Fuller, in answer to her request, advising her that the city no longer put in driveways on private property. 2532

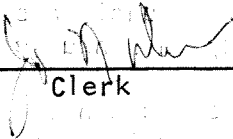
A brief discussion was held regarding storm drain problem on 9th & 10th Streets. Council instructed the City Manager to find out from the health department the status of this situation. 2533

Council discussed, upon Mayor Holcomb's suggestion, the advisability of placing signs on street requiring occupants of vehicles to exit from curb side of street only. Matter dismissed. 2534

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



Mayor



Clerk