

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, November 1, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Raines presiding.

Present: Roy Roberts, Jack Wallace, William Mays, Robert Raines, and Ron McCall

Also Present: E. W. Ward, City Manager and Joe Pippin, City Attorney

The invocation was given by Dr. Miller Liston, which was followed by the pledge led by Police Chief Sam Mongle.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the November 1, 1994 meeting as presented. 17051

During the Mayor's call for visitors, Mrs. Renee Robinson, President of the Norton Education Association presented Council with a proclamation declaring the week of November 13 - November 19, 1994 as American Education Week. Mrs. Robinson read the proclamation and upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council authorized the Mayor to sign this proclamation. (Insert) 17052

A public hearing was held on An Ordinance to Impose a Fee on Delinquent Taxpayers to Cover Administrative Costs, Attorney's Fees, and Collection Agency Fees.

Mr. Ward advised that Virginia Code 58.1-3958 provides that the local governing body can impose this fee. This was brought to Council by the City Treasurer at an earlier meeting and the City Attorney was instructed to work with the City Treasurer on a proposed ordinance. He further advised this public hearing had been duly advertised. 17053

The City Treasurer was present to discuss this and answer any questions of Council on this ordinance.

Mayor Raines opened the public hearing.

There were no public comments and the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of Council to table any action on this ordinance.

Council had in their packets A Resolution which amends the City budget in the amount of \$2,080.00.

Mr. Ward advised this amount covers part-time funding in the Treasurer's Office when the Deputy Treasurer is off on maternity leave and is being awarded by the Commonwealth of Virginia Compensation Board. The Manager also advised the City agreed to pay its share which is one-half of this amount and asked for Council's favorable consideration in the passage of this resolution. 17054

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution Amending the City Budget in the Amount of \$2,080.00. (Insert)

Council had been presented by a letter from Fire Chief David Mullins a list of both the working officers, who are appointed, and the business officers, who are elected, of the Fire Department for the 1994-95 fiscal year. Council needs to appoint the working officers as recommended by the Department for one year. This is per Section 8-38 of the Norton City Code.

Fire Chief Mullins presented those members of the Department who were present.

Councilman Roberts inquired as to who made the recommendations of the working officers. Chief Mullins advised these came from the officers and then he made the final recommendations.

Mr. Roberts advised he thought it would be better to have the Business Officers and the Fire Chief serve as a five man committee to make these appointments rather than the Fire Chief doing this himself and would be a more democratic process of handling this.

The City Manager advised this could be looked at for the next year's appointments.

It was the consensus of Council that this should be looked at next year. 1705

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to accept the recommendations as presented by the Fire Chief and recommended by the City Manager for the working officers of the Norton Fire Department.

Council had in their packets A Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter into An Agreement with NationsBank. Mr. Ward advised this is due to the bank changing the way they do the Overnight Automated Investment Services. They are discontinuing the AIP Account and beginning a Sweep Account. This resolution needs to be adopted and the City will go with the Sweep Account or the City Funds will remain idle overnight. The City Manager asked for Council's favorable consideration. 1705

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter into An Agreement with NationsBank. (Insert)

The City had a request from Mr. John M. Swiney of the Robinette Hill Road section of West Norton which is located in the County for one water and one sewer tap. The Public Works Director advised both were available.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council authorized a sewer tap to Mr. John M. Swiney in the West Norton area.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by the following vote: Wallace, Mays, McCall, and Raines - YES, Roberts - No, Council authorized a water tap to Mr. John M. Swiney in the West Norton area. 1705

The City Manager is to advise both Mr. Swiney and the Public Works Department of these taps.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel as per 2.1-344(A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended. 170

Mayor Raines declared the meeting in Executive Session.

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session.

Mayor Raines declared the meeting back in regular session.

The Clerk then polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Executive Meeting with each answering aye. The Clerk then read the entire Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting. Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt a Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting. (Insert) 1706

The Mayor opened the floor for an appointment to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for a four year term which will expire on May 10, 1998.

Roy Roberts nominated Mr. James Collins.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Raines declared Mr. James Collins appointed to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for a four year term which will expire on May 10, 1998. 17061

The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Disability Services Board to fill the unexpired term of Mr. James Boggs who has resigned. This term will run until August 3, 1995.

Jack Wallace nominated Mr. Ricky Clemons.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Raines declared Mr. Ricky Clemons appointed to the Disability Services Board for a term which will expire August 3, 1995. 17062

Mayor Raines advised no action was taken on the appointments to the Social Services Advisory Board. 17063

In his comments, the City Manager

Commended all the Public Safety Employees for the coverage on Halloween. The City had a relatively quiet night.

Commended Norton Elementary School for their participation in the Aluminum Can Recycling Contest as there was a total of 75,324 cans collected. The classroom with the most cans had 9,932 and Andrew Hylton collected the most cans with a total of 5,244. The total collected this year was an increase of 29,000 cans from last year. Also to be commended is the City's Parks and Recreation Department for co-sponsoring this event. 17064

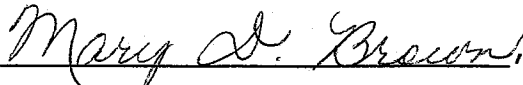
There were no comments from Council.

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

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA


B. Robert Raines, Mayor

ATTEST:

, Clerk