

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, January 19, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Raines presiding.

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

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

The invocation was given by Rev. Larry Murphy and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by the City Manager.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the January 3, 1993 meeting as amended.

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There was no response to the Mayor's call for visitors.

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A public hearing was held to solicit public input on local Community Development and Housing Needs as per the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

Mr. Ward advised this was the first of two public hearings which have to be held as a requirement of the Program and gave a brief synopsis on these grants stating that the last one we received was in 1988. We have applied annually since then and have not received any type of grant.

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Mr. Glenn Skinner of Lenowisco was present and went over the various types of grants available and some of the guidelines on same.

It was the consensus of Council that the City Manager and Mr. Skinner work together and bring back to Council projects which they think will be funded.

Mayor Raines expressed appreciation to Mr. Skinner and Lenowisco for their efforts in the past and on this grant process.

At this time, Vice Mayor William Mays advised he would abstain from both discussion and vote on Item 7-B of New Business which covers the renewal of the Bingo and Raffle Permit for the Norton Rescue Squad.

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Council had a request from the Norton City Schools for the renewal of their Bingo and Raffle Permit for 1993 with the fee to be waived.

Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to renew the Bingo and Raffle Permit for the Norton City Schools for 1993 with the \$25.00 fee waived.

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Council had a request from the Norton Rescue Squad for the renewal of their Bingo and Raffle Permit for 1993 with the fee to be waived.

Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by the following roll call vote: Roberts, Wallace, Raines, and McCall - YES, Mays - ABSTAIN, Council moved to renew the Bingo and Raffle Permit for the Norton Rescue Squad for 1993 with the \$25.00 fee waived.

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A request for a water tap by the Country Cabin located in the Josephine section of Wise County was presented to Council. Mr. Ward advised that he was advised today that they would like to have a sewer connection also and that they would like for Council to waive the tap fees. The sewer is available due to the location of the sewer line going to the Blackwood Industrial Project.

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Mr. Bill Jones and Jim Campbell were present on behalf of the Country Cabin.

Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by the following vote: Wallace, Raines, Mays, and

McCall YES - Roberts - NO, Council moved to grant a water and sewer hook-up to the Country Cabin in the Josephine section of Wise County. (Mr. Roberts stated he was in favor of the sewer tap and the Country Cabin; however he has a policy that he does not support any out of the City water taps as long as we have water shortages and approximately 1/3 of our customers in Norton are using Clinch River water and we're selling City water to out of City residents.)

Vice Mayor Mays offered congratulations to the Country Cabin and their workers for the work they are doing there.

Following advice from the City Attorney that Council could not waive the hook up fees, Mayor Raines advised that Council may be able to offer some help in lieu of the waivering of the hook up fees during the budget preparation as brought up by Councilman McCall.

Council had been presented in their packets A Resolution for the Establishment of the Planning District One Disability Services Board. This item was first brought to Council in October of 1992. This Board, which is being done regionally, will consist of the following membership: Wise County - 4 Members, Scott County - 3 Members, Lee County - 3 Members, and the City of Norton - 2 Members. These members would serve staggered terms of two and three years. Mr. Ward asked for Council's favorable consideration on this resolution.

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Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution for the Establishment of the Planning District One Disability Services Board. (Insert)

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Roy Roberts, 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 and probable litigation as per 2.1-344(A) (7) of the Code of Virginia as amended.

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Mayor Raines declared the meeting in Executive Session.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session.

Mayor Raines declared the meeting in regular session.

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The Clerk 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 Ron McCall, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting. (Insert)

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Mayor Raines advised there were no comments or report to be made regarding probable litigation.

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The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority for a four year term which will expire January 28, 1997.

William Mays nominated Mr. Rudy Whitehorn.

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

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Mayor Raines declared Mr. Rudy Whitehorn appointed to the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority for a four year term which will expire January 28, 1997.

The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Housing Appeals Board for a five year term which will expire on January 17, 1998.

Jack Wallace nominated Mr. T. J. Flanary.

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

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Mayor Raines declared Mr. T. J. Flanary reappointed to the Housing Appeals Board for a five year term which will expire January 17, 1998.

Mayor Raines opened the floor for nominations to the Highway Safety Commission for two year terms which will expire January 1995.

Roy Roberts nominated Mr. Randy Castle, Mr. Bruce Rose, and Mr. Gary Call.

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

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Mayor Raines declared Mr. Randy Castle, Mr. Bruce Rose, and Mr. Gary Call reappointed to the Highway Safety Commission for two year terms which will expire in January 1995.

In his comments, the City Manager advised that the public hearing on extending the hours of selling beer, wine, and alcoholic beverages in the City will be held on February 2, 1993.

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At the February 16, 1993 meeting, he has scheduled the work session with the Board of Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, and the four individuals who were present at the last meeting regarding the proposed new Zoning Ordinance.

After several months of hard work, we will close the loan from Farmers Home Administration for the fire trucks. This is scheduled for Monday, January 25, 1993 at 10:00 a.m. in the City Manager's office.

There were no comments from either the City Attorney or Council.

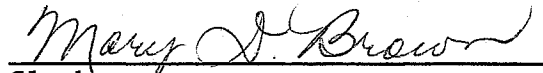
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There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned.



City Manager

ATTEST:



Clerk