

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, February 2, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Raines presiding.

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

Absent: Roy Roberts

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

The invocation was given by Rev. Steve Emory and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Police Chief Sam Mongle.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the January 19, 1993 meeting as presented.

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

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A public hearing was held on an Ordinance Amending the Norton City Code Concerning the Sale of Beer, Wine, Other Alcoholic Beverages, Including Mixed Alcoholic Beverages, on Sunday; and Providing When the Amendment Shall Be Effective.

Mayor Raines advised this was being done due to a request from the Holiday Inn and Mosby's Restaurant to extend the hours of selling alcoholic beverages from 12:00 midnight to 2:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings.

There were no questions from Council prior to the opening of the public hearing.

Mayor Raines opened the public hearing.

Those speaking in favor of the extension of hours were Mr. Rick Ferree and Ms. Toni Kelly of the Holiday Inn and Mr. Phillip Prince of Mosby's Restaurant.

Those speaking against the extension of hours were Mr. Rudy Whitehorn, Kentucky Avenue, Norton, Rev. Jim Wells, Pastor, Norton Christian Church, Gary Martin, 200-6th Street, Norton, Rev. Tim Burnham, Pastor, Fellowship Baptist Church of Norton, Rev. David Powers, 326 Kentucky Avenue, Norton, Ruby Combs of Wise, Mike Green, Kentucky Avenue, Norton, Jack Blanton, Pastor, Central Freewill Baptist Church, Norton, and Charlie Beverly, 704 Kentucky Avenue #39, Norton. A petition was presented to Council from Mr. Rudy Whitehorn and one had been delivered to the City Manager's office by the Trinity Life Center Church in Coeburn.

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Mayor Raines closed the public hearing.

Following a brief discussion a motion was made by Ron McCall and seconded by William Mays to adopt An Ordinance Amending the Norton City Code Concerning the Sale of Beer, Wine, Other Alcoholic Beverages, Including Mixed Alcoholic Beverages, on Sunday; and Providing When the Amendment Shall Be Effective. The vote was as follows: YES - McCall and Mays, NO - Raines and Wallace; therefore the ordinance was defeated.

Mayor Raines gave a five minute recess before proceeding with the remainder of the Council meeting.

Council had been presented in their packets a check in the amount of \$338,480.00 made payable to Chief's Fire and Rescue, Inc. covering the chassis of the new Fire Department vehicles.

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Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a check in the amount of \$338,480.00 to Chief's Fire and Rescue, Inc. to cover the chassis for the new Fire Department vehicles.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, 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.

Mayor Raines declared the meeting in Executive Session.

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

Mayor Raines declared the meeting back 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 William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, 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 Highway Safety Commission for a two year term which will expire January 1995.

Jack Wallace nominated Mr. Bill Ringley.

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. Bill Ringley appointed to the Highway Safety Commission for a two year term which will expire in January 1995.

No action was taken on the appointment to the Black Diamond Rural Conservation Development Council.

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The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Board of Directors of Southwest Financing, Inc. for a two year term which will expire in January 1995.

William Mays nominated Mr. Paul Kuczko.

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

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Mayor Raines declared Mr. Paul Kuczko appointed to the Board of Directors of Southwest Financing, Inc. for a two year term which will expire in January of 1995.

No action was taken on the appointments to the Planning District One Disability Services Board.

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In his comments the City Manager advised:

A work session between Council and the Norton Industrial Development Authority has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 9, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

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The Virginia Department of Transportation has awarded a contract to Vecellio and Grogan of Beckley, West Virginia for the Norton By-Pass and mobilization should begin soon.

He had sent a letter in response to one received from Mr. E. E. Brooks, Executive Director of the C-N-W Regional Sewer Authority regarding excessive flow and build-up of grease. A copy of Mr. Brooks' letter was included in Council's packet.

William Mays advised he and Mr. McCall are both members of that Authority and inquiring as to when our metering device will be repaired so we will know the exact flow figures. He also advised that due to work conflicts, he will be

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unable to attend the meeting on February 9th.

Ron McCall advised the City needs to continue to pursue this and continue to keep up with the grease problem. He also advised he will be out of town for the next regular council meeting which will be held on February 16, 1993.


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Mayor Raines had been presented with a Proclamation declaring the week of February 1 - 5, 1993 as National Travel Agency Week and asked for the concurrence of Council to sign same on behalf of the City. Concurrence was given and this Proclamation was signed by the Mayor.

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

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA



B. Robert Raines, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk