

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Fire Hall of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, June 4, 1991, at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Raines presiding.

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

Absent: Linda Sturgill

Also Present: E. W. Ward, City Manager and Kenneth Asbury, City Attorney

The invocation was given by Rev. Kespelher followed by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Fred Ramey.

Mayor Raines apologized to the audience for the inconvenience of meeting in the Fire Hall which was due to the special election held today.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the May 21, 1991 meeting as presented. 15091

There was no response to the Mayor's call for visitors. 15092

A public hearing was held on An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Amending the General Zoning Ordinance of the City and the Accompanying Map Thereto By Amending the 1975 Ordinance of the City to Reclassify That Property in the Hoot Owl Hollow Section from An "A" Residence Zone" to a "B Residence Zone".

Mr. Ward advised that this was initiated by a citizen request and has been diligently worked on by the Planning Commission. He further advised that the Planning Commission recommends that Council rezone this area from "A Residential" to "B Residential". 15093

Mr. Jon Rockett, Chairman of the Planning Commission was present to answer any questions Council may have.

Mayor Raines opened the public hearing.

Mr. George Hunnicutt, Jr., representing the Knob Development Corporation, spoke against the rezoning stating they feared it would devalue the property they owned in this area. Mr. Hunnicutt also stated he spoke for Mr. Buddy Makin, another property owner, expressing his opposition.

Those speaking in favor of the rezoning were: Mr. Fred Wood, Mr. Steve Hensley, and Mr. Billy Robinette.

Mr. Rockett spoke briefly explaining the procedure the Planning Commission had taken on this request and the reasoning behind their recommendation.

Mayor Raines closed the public hearing.

There were no comments or questions from Council.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Amending the General Zoning Ordinance of the City and the Accompanying Map Thereto by Amending the 1975 Ordinance of the City to Reclassify that Property in the "Hoot Owl Hollow" Section from An "A Residence Zone" to a "B" Residence Zone". This ordinance will take effect thirty days from date of passage. (Insert)

Council had been presented An Ordinance Adopting the Municipal Budget for The Fiscal Year of July 1, 1991 Thru June 30, 1992.

Mr. Ward read this ordinance in its entirety and upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to adopt An Ordinance Adopting the Budget for the City of Norton, Virginia for the Fiscal Year of July 1, 1991 Thru June 30, 1992 Appropriating Funds for All Contemplated Expenses of the City for the Fiscal Year and Placing Levies upon All Real Estate, Personal Property and Bank Stock, Licenses, Fees, 15094

User Charges, and all Other Levies As Previously Imposed or Modified Herein.
(Insert)

Mr. Ward advised Council that on December 4, 1990, Council authorized the Norton City School Board to participate in the Coalition for Equity in Educational Funding. Tonight Council is being asked to reiterate their support for the School Board and pass A Resolution Supporting the Coalition for Equity in Educational Funding.

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Dr. A. S. Armentrout, Superintendent of Norton City Schools, was present and gave Council an update on this.

Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution Supporting the Coalition for Equity in Educational Funding with the following change in the wording: from "to expend all necessary funds therefore" to "to expend all necessary funds not to exceed \$5,000. (Insert)

Mr. Ward is to redraft this resolution for the Mayor's signature this week.

Council was presented with A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for A Litter Control Grant.

Mr. Ward advised this was an annual grant in the amount of \$3,000 which has been used for litter control and recycling projects. This year the total amount has been cut and the total grant will be for \$2,400.

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Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council adopted A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for a Litter Control Grant. (Insert)

Council had been presented with a copy of a check in the amount of \$105,000 dated May 29, 1991 made payable to the Norton City Schools.

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 \$105,000 dated May 29, 1991 and made payable to the Norton City Schools.

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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) and Disposition of Real Property as per 2.1-344(A) (3). The agenda item of Executive Session was amended to include Disposition of Real Property.

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Mayor Raines declared the meeting in Executive Session.

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

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The Clerk then polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Executive Meeting with each member answering aye. The Clerk then read the entire Resolution of Certification of Executive Meeting.

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Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of Certification of Executive Meeting. (Insert)

Mayor Raines announced there was no action taken on the disposition of real property.

15101

Mayor Raines opened the floor for an appointment to the City of Norton Social Services Advisory Board for a four year term which will expire on May 22, 1995.

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William Mays nominated Mrs. Beulah Hawk for reappointment to this Board.

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

Mayor Raines declared Mrs. Beulah Hawk reappointed to another four year term on the City of Norton Social Services Advisory Board. This term will expire May 22, 1995.

There was no action taken on the appointment to the C-N-W Regional Sewer Authority.

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The Mayor opened the floor for recommendations of a nominee to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a five year term which will expire June 2, 1996.

Jack Wallace recommended Mr. Ken Adams to the Circuit Court as a nominee to be appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a five year term which will expire on June 2, 1996.

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

Mayor Raines declared Mr. Ken Adams' name would be submitted to the Circuit Court for appointment to the City of Norton Board of Zoning Appeals for a five year term which will expire June 2, 1996.

The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the City of Norton School Board.

Ron McCall nominated Dr. Marty Prince to be reappointed to another three year term and also nominated Mr. Cliff Daniels for a three year term which will expire June 30, 1994.

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

Mayor Raines declared Dr. Marty Prince reappointed and Mr. Cliff Daniels appointed to a three year term on the City of Norton School Board with said term expiring on June 30, 1994.

The Mayor advised no action was taken on an appointment to the Private Industry Council.

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Mayor Raines opened the floor for nominations to the Duffield Industrial Development Authority for a four year term which will expire June 30, 1995.

Jack Wallace nominated Mr. Harold Armsey to be reappointed to this Authority.

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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. Harold Armsey reappointed to another four year term on the Duffield Industrial Development Authority with said term expiring on June 30, 1995.

The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Community Corrections Board for a two year term which will expire on June 30, 1993.

William Mays nominated Mr. Sam Mongle to be reappointed to this Board.

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. Sam Mongle reappointed to the Community Corrections Board for a two year term which will expire on June 30, 1993.

In his comments, the City Manager advised the following:

City crews had repaired the fence line going up Tipple Hill.

He had received a copy of the new Six Year Plan from VDOT and that the Norton By-Pass is still in it with a tentative completion date after 1997.

The Planning Commission has worked very hard rewriting the Zoning Ordinance and that it will take Council a couple of meetings to go over it as it is approximately 100 pages long.

The City received its recycling container last week and the Pilot Curbside Recycling Program will begin June 10th.

The City Pool opened Saturday and it is going well. Over \$250 worth of season passes have been sold.

The Manager had received from Dr. Armentrout, Superintendent of Schools, an invitation for Council to attend the Governor's Annual Conference on Education. Anyone interested should contact either the City Manager or Dr. Armentrout.

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Mr. Ward advised he had received word today that the City had not been awarded the Community Development Block Grant for Josephine.

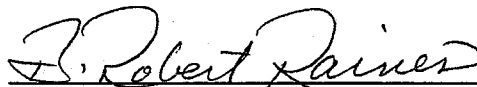
Mr. Ward advised he would be on vacation for the next meeting and that Mr. Fred Ramey would be in charge.

There were no comments from the City Attorney.

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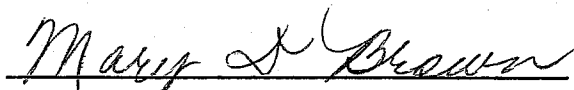
In the comments from City Council, Mayor Raines offered congratulations and commended the employees of the Norton C & P Directory Assistance Office for receiving top honors for a program they developed to teach young students about telecommunications, technology, and the function of the operator service center.

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



B. Robert Raines, Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk