

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Council Chambers on June 7, 1988 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Daniels presiding.

Present: Jack Wallace, Cliff Daniels, Robert Raines

Absent: Roy Roberts & William Mays

Also Present: C.R. Brown, City Manager and Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

Invocation was given by Rev. Don Bowles, followed with Pledge of Allegiance led by T.J. Flanary. 14143

On motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of May 17, 1988 be approved as presented. 14144

The Mayor announced that under new business there would be Item E added - discussion of water reserves.

Under 1A Letter of congratulations to J.J. Kelly Baseball team for their State Championship victory. 14145

The Mayor called for audience for visitors for those people not on agenda. Eileen Brickey appeared before council requesting some relief from noise from business in West Norton section. Mr. Brown advised Ms. Brickey that he had been promised by Cassell Brothers to build a 6' wall to take care of noise from their business. Council briefly discussed this matter. It was suggested that a look into Bd. of Zoning Appeals minutes would possibly be helpful as to determining the zoning of this area. Council instructed Mr. Brown to do this research. 14146

The Mayor announced next thing on agenda was a public hearing to discuss the recent assessment increase of Real Property in the City of Norton and how that effective tax rate increase will be included in the 1988-1989 budget for the City.

The Mayor addressed this subject outlining the proposal to increase property tax levies and the effect it will have on tax rate increase. Council briefly discussed this matter. 14147

Frank Gabriele spoke briefly on this matter. Councilman Raines commented on this matter.

Public Hearing on "An Ordinance Adopting the Budget for the City of Norton, Virginia for the fiscal year of July 1, 1988 thru July 30, 1989, 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 and Automobile Licenses. 14148

Linda Sturgill from audience spoke at length on this matter. The Mayor and Councilman Raines also commented on this matter.

On motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the Ordinance Adopting the Budget for the City of Norton Virginia for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1988 thru July 30, 1989, 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 and Automobile Licenses be adopted as read on first reading.

Public Hearing on "An Ordinance setting forth Uniform Requirements for Direct and Indirect Contributors into the Wastewater Collection and Treatment System of the City of Norton.

The City Manager briefly addressed this subject. Denise Gabriele of 505 West Highland spoke briefly on this subject with questions to the council regarding this subject. 14149

Nancy Davis of Wise spoke on this matter criticizing the Council for many things she thought them to be doing. The Mayor had to have her taken from Council Chambers in order to get council back in session.

Frank Gabriele ask if someone came into City and dumped in system or accidentally dumped in system, who would be responsible for paying the expense.

Dayton Stidham of the City's Waste Water System spoke briefly on this subject, giving the things the city is putting into effect and the needs for such.

Don Bowles ask question if there would be some kind of spill, is there going to be a monitor to monitor this. The City Manager briefly discussed this with Rev. Bowles. T.J. Flanary stated Community Hospital was checked each month.

The Mayor stated he would like someone to go thru this Ordinance and list administrative steps - show how operate - what limits refer to in terms of laymen language. Councilman Raines also commented on this matter.

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to table this ordinance until June 21st meeting with a work session after regular council meeting.

Public Hearing on "An Ordinance adopting the Motor Vehicle Code of Virginia, As Amended on Operating a Motor Vehicle while under the influence of intoxicants or under the influence of any combination of Drugs, or any combination of alcohol and other Drugs, Providing Tests Therefor and Prescribing Penalties therefor.

The City Attorney stated this was what he called a housekeeping ordinance. It is just an ordinance to update the other ordinance.

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On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the Ordinance be adopted. (Insert)

The Mayor read letter to J.J. Kelly Indians congratulating the J.J. Kelly Baseball team on first place finish in the State Group A Tournament. (Insert)

14151

A. Request for funds, from Capital, in the amount of \$16,750, to update The City of Norton Comprehensive Plan.

On motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that request for \$16,750 from Capital be approved to update the City of Norton Comprehensive Plan.

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Request of Norton Community Hospital to place sign in the right-of-way on 15th Street.

Mr. Lee of the Norton Community Hospital, spoke briefly on this subject and the need for placing this sign at this particular location. He also advised council they were trying to get 14th & 15th Streets fixed at this time.

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Councilman Raines commented on this matter stating since the sign had been in place since 1978, since there were many unresolved problems associated with both 14th & 15th Street, since easements were granted to the City by the hospital, and in an effort in-good-faith resolve all problems associated with said streets without setting a precedent for right-of-way use, Councilman Raines reluctantly moved the request be granted for a license permit for the hospital sign. Motion seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote.

Request for funds, from contingency, in the amount of \$15,000 for Norton Industrial Development Authority.

On motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the amount of \$15,000 from Contingency to Norton Industrial Development Authority be granted.

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Discussion of Water Reserves. The City Manager addressed this subject, requesting he be given permission to begin laying pipe lines, installing pump, etc. in order to be ready when an emergency comes. Council discussed this matter briefly with the City Manager. They were in agreement for this to be done.

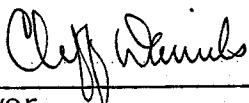
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On motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to ge into executive session to discuss personnel as Per 2.1-344 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as Amended. 14156

On motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved they go back into regular session.
The Mayor declared council back in regular session. 14157
The Mayor advised no action from Executive session to report.

Comments by City Manager - The City Manager advised that pool would be opened on Thursday. 14158

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



Mayor



Clerk