

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on March 20, 1984 at 7:30 p. m. with Mayor Hunnicutt presiding.

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by W. F. McElroy, and carried by unanimous vote, Pat Carden was appointed Clerk for the meeting due to the absence of the Secretary and Deputy Secretary. 11159

Present: George Hunnicutt, W. F. McElroy, Cliff Daniels, Vic Jones, Roy Roberts

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

Invocation was given by Father Richard Dollard

On motion by W. F. McElroy, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved the minutes of the March 6, 1984 meeting be approved as presented. 11160

Father Richard Dollard came before Council with regards to the plans for the park on Virginia Avenue.

Mr. Brown advised he has attended the Board meeting of a Civic organization considering handling this project. They are looking to their architect to see if they will be able to assist them and the City in getting a grant from the Commission of Outdoor Recreation. 11161

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, Amending and Reordaining the May 17, 1983 Flood Plain Zoning Ordinance of the City Repealing Section 2-4; Appeal Board and Providing a New Section 2-4, Appeals Board. (First Reading) 11162

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved the adoption of "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, Amending and Reordaining the May 17, 1983 Flood Plain Zoning Ordinance of the City by Repealing Section 2-4, Appeal Board and Providing a New Section 2-4, Appeal Board on First Reading.

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Amending and Reordaining the Sign Ordinance of the City. (First Reading)

Motion was made by Vic Jones to advertise for a Public Hearing to Abolish the entire Sign Ordinance. Motion failed for lack of a second. 11163

Motion was made by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Roy Roberts, with the following roll call votes: Cliff Daniels, Roy Roberts, YES; Vic Jones, W. F. McElroy, NO; George Hunnicutt, ABSTAINED, to accept "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia amending and reordaining the sign ordinance of the City. Motion failed for lack of a majority vote.

Discussion of Water Reserves - Mr. Brown presented to Council, for their consideration an input to be brought back to the April 3 meeting, a Contingency Plan outlining methods to prevent future water emergencies. 11164

Approval of refund for over payment of Personal Property Taxes.

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by W. F. McElroy, and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to refund Mrs. Pat Stallard \$33.00 over payment of Personal Property Taxes. 11165

Confirmation of Proceedings to Collect Delinquent Real Estate Taxes against 13 Landowners. 11166

After some discussion, on motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by W. F. McElroy, and carried by unanimous vote, Council authorized the City Attorney, Kenneth

Asbury, to proceed to collect delinquent taxes of 13 land owners.

Request by James V. Peters to use the Existing Shed at the Upper Reservoir for ten days in 1984 in Exchange for Making Needed Repairs.

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Vic Jones, and carried by a 4-1 vote, Council moved that James V. Peters be authorized to use the existing shed at the Upper Reservoir for 10 days during fishing season in 1984 in exchange for making needed repairs at no cost to the City. Council authorized Mr. Brown to proceed to draw up an agreement with Mr. Peters. 11167

Request to join the Town of Wise in a Joint Fireworks Display this July 4th.

Council approved the concept of the joint Norton, Wise Fireworks Display. 11168

After some discussion Council instructed the City Manager to contact the local merchants for their input and to gather more information as to the site of the display to be brought back to the April 3 meeting.

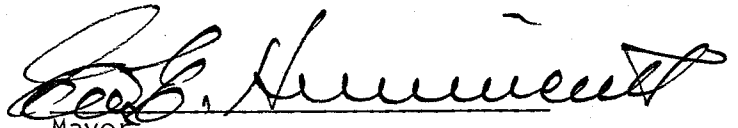
Comments by the City Manager - Mr. Brown advised that the Board of Equalization has begun appeals to discuss the values of Real Estate Accessments. - One gate at the lower reservoir would be chained and locked - that they seek advise on surface coating the top of the dam from professionals. 11169

Mr. McElroy questioned the problem pedestrians were having with the traffic signals.

Mr. Brown advised Council the lights are working the way they were designed and set up. The final inspection would be on Wednesday, March 21 and any corrections would be made after the inspection. 11170

Mr. Jones asked about the concept of enclosing the swimming pool so it could be utilized year round. He asked Mr. Brown to gather information as to how much it would cost to enclose the pool, how it could be utilized year round, and how much it would net. 11171

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


Mayor


Clerk