

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on February 17, 1982 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Hunnicutt presiding:

Present: George Hunnicutt, W.F. McElroy, Robert Collier, Cliff Daniels, Vic Jones

Also Present: G.M. Newman, City Manager

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of February 2nd and February 10th be approved as presented.

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Mr. James Peters of Kentucky Avenue was present inquiring as to procedure in securing building permits. The City Manager explained this procedure to Mr. Peters. He also ask if everyone was treated equal. To this the answer was yes.

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Mr. John Thompson, representing Community Hospital was present regarding the continuing inadequate water pressure at Community Hospital. Council discussed this matter at length with Mr. Thompson. The City Manager advised that since the new city engineer had been here he had been going into this problem to see what solution could be found. Ron Peaks spoke briefly on this subject. The City Manager ask that the engineer be given a few days in which to study this and come back with a recommendation to council. Council was in agreement for this to be done.

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Bill Stokes, Supt. of City of Norton Welfare Dept., appeared before council requesting permission to purchase a car from surplus budget funds for sum of \$1700.00 local funds.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved, upon recommendation of City Manager and Welfare Board, that Welfare Department be given permission to purchase a car, out of surplus funds, said amount not to exceed \$1700.00.

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Consideration, Lease Renewal, Property at Market Place, by Interstate Railroad. Council discussed this matter briefly.

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the Mayor be authorized and directed to execute this lease. (Insert)

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On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved they go into executive session to discuss pending contract and consideration of appointments.

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On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by W.F. McElroy, Council moved they go back into regular session.

Mayor Hunnicutt declared council back in regular session.

Mayor Hunnicutt advised he could not make any announcement at present time regarding pending contract.

On motion by Robert Collier, Barbara Collins was nominated for reappointment to Housing Appeals Board for term of five years.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that nominations be closed.

Mayor Hunnicutt declared Barbara Collins reappointed to Housing Appeals Board for a term of five years said term to expire 2-18-86.

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Cliff Daniels nominated John Thompson for appointment to City of Norton School Board. On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Robert Collier and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that nominations be closed.

Mayor Hunnicutt declared John Thompson appointed to City of Norton School Board to fill unexpired term of Don Pippin, said term to expire June 30, 1982.

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Mr. Newman advised council he had been notified by Highway Department of this date that reconstruction and repaving of High Knob Road will be advertised for bids sometime in April.

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Councilman Daniels inquired as to status of Clear Creek Project with regard to FHA. Mr. Newman advised they were awaiting an answer. Councilman Daniels stated he would like to pass a resolution which states importance of making a decision or turning us down now. Give us an answer so we can proceed. Mr. Newman advised he thought this should be done this month. Referred to City Manager for further information on the matter.

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Mayor Hunnicutt reported on his trip to Richmond concerning House Bill 300. He discussed this matter with council, pointing out the need for County of Wise and all little towns and City of Norton to attempt to settle their differences amongst themselves instead of having to air it out in Richmond. He stated he would like to have a resolution passed to this effect.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that proposal be made to all parties to pending discussion of strife, contingent upon disposition on House Bill #300 - he suggested they sit down and attempt to work out a common ground.

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Councilman Collier, as member of Sub-area Health Council advised Council of public hearing at Mountain Empire College on Thursday, February 18th at 6:30 P.M. regarding establishing a thirty-five (35) bed in-patient Psychiatric Clinic at old St. Mary's Hospital Site. He stated he would like for Council to endorse this concept.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to endorse the concept of St. Mary's Hospital establishing a thirty-five bed in-patient Psychiatric Clinic.

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Councilman Daniels, as member of Chapter 10 Mental Health Board, advised the board that slides for presentation to those who were interested of their work. He ask if this council would be interested in seeing these slide and if so they would put them on agenda. Council was in agreement for these to be shown.

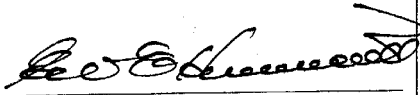
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Councilman Collier reported on his trip to Richmond in regard to Teacher Incentive Fund. 10371

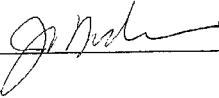
Councilman Jones presented petition asking that Mr. Newman, City Manager, agree to remain as our manager.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that accept this endorsement on behalf of the interested citizens. 10372

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



Mayor



Clerk