

June 16, 1981

A Public Hearing on City of Norton Budget for fiscal year July 1, 1981 - June 30, 1982 was held in the Municipal Court Room on June 16, 1981 at 7:00 P.M.

The City Manager read the breakdown of each department giving the increase or decrease over last fiscal year. He advised 20% increase in water charges; sewer charges inside City - 33% of water bill from 27%; Outside city 51% from 41%; proposed building inspection Fees \$.05 per sq. ft.; Coin & Vending Machines \$20.00 per machine per year, maximum \$200.00 per year - 10 or more machines.

Bobby Cassell of the Wise County Health Dept. appeared before council at budget hearing requesting that council consider an additional sum of \$1674.00 for their budget in order that they might receive the full amount of State Match money. He ask that council reconsider this. Council discussed this matter briefly with Mr. Cassell and assured him that he could come back in July for the additional appropriation and could go ahead and present his budget to State with this additional amount included.

Councilman Jones brought to council's attention that any budgeted amount for M.E. College had been deleted from budget for year 1981-82 and that he would like to see the amount of \$1194.00 put back in budget. Council was in agreement for the amount to be considered in July to be placed in budget for M.E.C.C.

Mayor Hunnicutt said council would now go into regular session.

Roll Call: Collier, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Jones, Daniels

Also Present: G.M. Newman, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of June 2, 1981 be approved as presented.

Mr. Ed Phillips of Thompson & Litton was present regarding hearing in Richmond with State Water Control Board. He advised he had been in contact with Mr. Newman regarding this meeting and as a result of this had drafted a letter for council's discussion and consideration regarding priority rating for City of Norton and Town of Wise in the regional sewer system. Council discussed this matter briefly. This matter referred to City Manager.

Consideration for request for funding summer program.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that appropriate \$2,000.00 for summer program, said funds to come out of miscellaneous fund.

Consideration - transfer of funds N.I.D.A.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by the following votes, Council moved that transfer from General Operating Fund to N.I.D.A. funds received from State Police Building in the amount of \$37,090.00; Collier, YES; McElroy, YES; Hunnicutt, abstained; Jones YES; Daniels, NO.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the following resolution "of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, Withdrawing any opposition to the Rechanneling of Guest River on East Park Avenue in the City of Norton, Virginia and requesting the United States Army Corps of Engineers to issue their permit to Tabb, Inc." be passed. (Insert)

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved they go into executive session to discuss personnel matter.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved they go back into regular session.

Mayor Hunnicutt announced they now had two nominees for City of Norton School Board

On motion by W.F. McElroy, George Culbertson and Ruth Ann Clements were nominated as members of City of Norton School Board for three year term beginning July 1, 1981.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by Unanimous vote, Council moved that nominations cease.

Mayor Hunnicutt declared Ruth Ann Clements and George Culbertson as members of City of Norton School Board to serve a three year term beginning July 1, 1981.

Mr. Newman advised council that he had attempted to get bids for a P.A. System and had received one for \$1800.00 and one for \$900.00 which he had accepted but had not been able to get the bid fulfilled. He ask what was council's wishes on the matter. Council left the matter to discretion of the City Manager. He advised he would make another attempt.

Mr. Newman advised council they had been requested by Mr. Workman of Planning and Design Associates for another \$8,000.00 for Market Place Project. Council discussed this matter briefly. The City Manager was directed to get more information on the matter.

The City Manager advised council that he had talked with Mr. Poston of Old Dominion Power Company and he had advised they were drawing up street lighting system for the city.

Mr. Newman advised Hamner Hill water line is in but still have to experiment with it for a while.

The City Manager advised they had started 8" water line in Round Town as today for fire protection to this area.

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