

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on June 17, 1980 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Hunnicutt presiding.

Present: George Hunnicutt, W.F. McElroy, Robert Collier, Cliff Daniels, Frank Fischer

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

Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

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Mayor Hunnicutt expressed appreciation for the remarkable attendance which has been shown for the past year. He recognized outgoing Councilman Fischer by presenting him with the first meritorious award for his fine services.

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Mr. Kenneth Taylor as Chairman of the Citizens Group concerning Old School Property, presented petition with 451 names asking that a park be developed at this location. He presented four persons to speak on the subject. - Pam Culbertson, Eric Brown, Mrs. Cora Kibler, and Henry Stout. Each of the persons speaking were in favor of a park being developed in this area. Each of the Councilmen spoke on the subject. The Mayor advised that the City had Planners who were to up-date Comprehensive Plan for the and that this section would be included. Also advised this was a little pre-mature since no decision had been made by Council as to what to do with this lot.

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On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that the following Ordinance adopting the budget for the City of Norton for the fiscal year of 1980-81, appropriating funds for all contemplated expenses of the City of Norton for the fiscal year, and placing levies upon real estate and personal property taxes." be passed. (Insert)

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On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Robert Collier, Council moved that transfer \$17,000.00 out of Account #9110-5804 Contingency to be distributed over the salaries indicated which are 7% be increased to 10%, 3% to be distributed to employees on merit basis at the discretion of the City Manager.

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Councilman Daniels offered following amendment to above motion, seconded by Frank Fischer and carried by the following votes: Collier, Hunnicutt, Fischer, Daniels, YES; McElroy, No, council moved that a lump sum of \$20,000 be taken from the contingency fund and allocated to a discretionary fund for city manager to use for merit increases. Does not limit any one employee any one amount of raise.

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Robert Collier and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that City Manager be authorized to renew agreement between City of Norton and Wise County and City of Norton Headstart, for use of rooms in Neighborhood Facility Building for same terms as before. (Insert)

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On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Frank Fischer and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that go into executive session to discuss pending contract and personnel matter

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On motion by Frank Fischer, seconded by Cliff Daniels and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved they go back into regular session.

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Mayor Hunnicutt declared council back in regular session.

Mayor Hunnicutt reported that council agreed to delegate to the City Manager, with consultation and advice of Mr. Wright Dawson to hire a new Director of Community Development. Names were discussed but will not be announced except by Mr. Newman and Mr. Dawson on the acceptance of subject party.

Mayor Hunnicutt announced it was time for opening of paving bids:
Adams Consturction Co. - 22.45 per ton - S-5 - 80¢ gal. Bituminous Materials.
Big Stone Asphalt Paving Co. - 23.45 per ton - S-5, 1.00 per Gal. Bituminous Materials.
W. & L. Construction Co. - 23.30 per ton - S-5 - 98¢ gal. bituminous material.

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that accept low bid of Adams Contruaction Company in the amount of \$22.45 per ton and 80¢ per gallon for slush subject to working out details with City Manager.

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Mr. Newman advised council that all the necessary paper work had been done on the Railroad Avenue Project.

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The City Manager advised council they had not received final work on ARC Project from the Governor's Office but that letter of agreement had been sent in.

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Mr. Newman advised council he had talked with Dewberry, Nealon & Davis regarding possible use of wells while dam was being repaired or dry. Council discussed this matter briefly with the City Manager. He advised that he would probably hear from Office of Emergency Services by next week regarding A.R.C. Grant.

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The City Manager gave status on reservoirs. Council discussed this matter with Mr. Newman pointing out that Mr. Gilly recommends a reducing valve for water plant site.

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Mr. Newman brought to council's attention organization meeting due on July 1st. Council agreed to have this meeting at 9:00 A.M., July 1st and regular meeting at 7:30 P.M.

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Mr. Frank Fischer, outgoing councilman, gave a speech on the honor he had received as being appointed a member of the City Council as well as his contributions as a member of the City Council.

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

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Clerk

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Mayor