

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on October 4, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Fulks presiding.

Present: Ike Fulks, W.F. McElroy, George Hunnicutt, Vernon Flanary, Bill Necessary

Also Present: W.P. Kanto, Acting City Manager and Kenneth Asbury, City Attorney

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mayor Fulks announced it was now time for a public hearing on "Blasting Control Ordinance."

B.V. Cooper, Executive Director, Virginia Surface Mining and Reclamation Association, Inc., spoke on the effect the ordinance would have as it is now written and presented suggested changes or amendments. Arthur Poston, District Manager, Old Dominion Power Company also spoke on matter pointing out delay that would be caused in giving electric service under the new ordinance. Earle Brown, City Building Inspector also spoke on matter of Pop Shots for new buildings, etc. Also speaking on matter was Jerry Wharton, Ray Peters, Leslie Mullins, Cliff Daniels, Art Sinicrope, Dan Price, Executive Director Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Joe Howard, Imogene Emershaw, and Henry Stout. Henry Stout asked if council would receive written suggested amendments for their consideration.

Council agreed for written amendments to be submitted not later than ten days, for council's consideration.

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Gary Riner gave report on Flood Repair. He also reported on Round Town Bridge.

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Mayor Fulks reported that he had been contacted by Mrs. W.H. Earls of Ridge Avenue regarding water running over her property from new construction on Highland Avenue.

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Mr. Kanto, Acting City Manager gave report on borrowing of money and brought council up-to-day on school appropriation.

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Mr. Kanto reported on East Park Avenue sewer line.

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Jack Peters of Main Avenue in West Norton appeared before council and requested that council give some help in keeping water from running over his property as drainage caused by Department of Highway's right-of-way clearing. Matter referred to City Manager.

Mr. Kanto presented request of Chairman of Planning Commission to hold public hearing on signs.

On motion by Bill Necessary, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that Planning Commission be granted permission to hold public hearing on sign ordinance.

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The City Manager discussed with council replacement of garbage truck and police car. He also advised that fire truck was in and payment was to be made. He discussed with council ways of paying for this new equipment.

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On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Vernon Flanary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that the City Manager and Treasurer be authorized and directed to pay for recently delivered fire truck in amount not to exceed \$65,000.00, said amount to be paid from \$45,000.00 Revenue Sharing Certificate of Deposit, and balance of \$20,000.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund, and to secure bids on approximately twenty-five (25) yard garbage truck and a police car.

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On motion by Bill Necessary, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that advertise public hearing to consider raising of parking permits and parking meter fines on October 18th.

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On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Bill Necessary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that they go into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

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On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved to reconvene in regular session.

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Mayor Fulks stated that in executive session to consider personnel there was no action taken.

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

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MAYOR

J. N. ...
CLERK