

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on July 15, 1975 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Fulks presiding.

Present: Ike Fulks, W.F. McElroy, Roy Roberts, George Hunnicutt

Absent: Jim Humphreys

Also Present: Milas D. Franks, City Manager & Montie Meeks, Attorney

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with correction in last paragraph to read, "and to be continued July 7th at 8:30 A.M." and in Paragraph 7161 to read, "General Business", in lieu of Local Business.

Mr. Monroe Thrower was present at Council meeting regarding sale of Presbyterian Church property on corner of 8th Street and Virginia Avenue.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by the following roll call votes, council moved that they go into executive session for the express purpose of discussing purchase of real estate.

George Hunnicutt - Yes	Roy Roberts - Yes	7166
W.F. McElroy - Yes	Ike Fulks - Yes	

Council returned to Council Chambers and Mayor Fulks declared council in regular session.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by the following roll call votes: George Hunnicutt, W.F. McElroy, Ike Fulks, Roy Roberts, YES - council moved subject to the ability of the City of Norton to secure adequate financing for the purchase of the Presbyterian Church property on corner of 8th Street and Virginia Avenue, offer the Norton Methodist Church the sum of \$28,000.00 for 7167 the purchase of what is now the Presbyterian Church property with two provisions: (1) that \$28,000.00 not be in excess of 6/7 of what the M.E. Church paid the Presbyterian Church for property located at the corner of 8th and Virginia Avenue. (2) That the deed to the property be accepted and payment made only after the existing building on this land is removed from the premises and the lot cleaned off, and not including filling the basement.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by the following roll call votes council moved that the City Manager be empowered to negotiate to borrow money needed for purchase of above property: George Hunnicutt, YES, W.F. McElroy, YES, Roy Roberts, YES, Ike Fulks, YES. 7168

The City Manager presented resignation of Mr. John W. Litton as member of City of Norton School Board.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous vote council moved that the resignation of John W. Litton as member of City of Norton School Board be accepted with regret and that he be commended on the fine 7169 job he has done on the School Board and express council's regret that he is moving from City of Norton.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by George Hunnicutt and carried by the following roll call votes: George Hunnicutt, W.F. McElroy, Roy Roberts, Ike Fulks, YES - Robert Leonard was appointed to fill the unexpired term of John Litton, 7170 said term to expire June 30, 1976.

The City Manager discussed with Council traffic Circulation and Parking Plan on N. & W. property behind the businesses on the southside of Park Avenue. The 7171 Council instructed the City Manager to pursue this matter further.

The City Manager advised the council of status of Paving schedule. 7172

The City Manager presented council with a preliminary financial report for year ending June 30, 1975, indicating a year end surplus of approximately \$55,000.00. 7173

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by the following roll call votes: George Hunnicutt, NO; W.F. McElroy, Ike Fulks, Roy Roberts, YES., Council moved that due to 74-75 surplus, authorize the City Manager to purchase a Burroughs L8500 Computer at a price not to exceed \$22,871.49, \$16,311.69 to be expended from 1974-75 General Fund Operating Budget and balance from 1975-76 Revenue Sharing Budget. 7174

The City Manager presented a letter of resignation of Carroll Tate as member of Norton Industrial Development Authority. Matter tabled until next council meeting. 7175

The City Manager presented for council's consideration a lease agreement between the City of Norton and Dilenowisco Education Cooperative.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by the following votes: George Hunnicutt, W.F. McElroy, Roy Roberts, Ike Fulks, YES - Council moved that the lease agreement between the City of Norton and Dilenowisco Educational Cooperative be adopted, and that the City Manager negotiate with Dilenowisco to see if Co-insurance Clause could be eliminated. 7176

Mayor Fulks brought to council's attention need for speed signs in Dorchester area. He also advised he had had several complaints regarding loud noise, etc. at Burger Barn. Also complaints regarding dogs on Ridge Avenue. 7177

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

Ike Fulks
Mayor

Clerk