

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on May 6, 1974 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Ike Fulks presiding.

Present: Ike Fulks, Jim Humphreys, Robert Leonard, W. F. McElroy, Roy Roberts

Also Present: Milas D. Franks, City Manager

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. O. B. Hash and Mr. L. B. Quillan of Chapman Street appeared before Council requesting that Chapman Street be resurfaced and also that something be done to have water drainage controlled. Council discussed this matter and advised that they would give consideration to placing this street in surfacing program in next fiscal year. Matter of drainage problem referred to City Manager. 6544

Appointment to Real Estate Appraisal Board was tabled until next Council Meeting. 6545

Mr. Franks reported on Kentucky Avenue Neighborhood Park. He advised that the City had received donations from the Cohens Family and Carter Machinery Company for this park. 6546

Mr. Franks advised Council of meeting with State Police Officials on May 9, 1974 at 10:30 A.M. to discuss relocation of State Police Office. He asked that Council be present if possible. 6547

Mr. Franks and Mr. Leonard gave a report on the trip to Chilton, Wisconsin to see demonstration of solid waste and incinerator. Mr. Leonard stated he thought this was going to be the answer to the City's solid waste disposal problem. 6548

Mr. Franks announced the appointment of William A. Jones as Chief of Police effective May 1, 1974. 6549

Mr. Franks advised Council of street flusher services being offered by Lenowisco and recommended that the City contract with Lenowisco for this service. Council instructed the City Manager to present a contract for these services at the next regular Council Meeting. 6550

The City Manager discussed with Council the preliminary plans for extending water services to Flag Rock. 6551

The City Manager discussed with Council the A and E Contract for Neighborhood Facility Project. 6552

On motion by Robert Leonard, seconded by Jim Humphreys and carried by the following votes Council moved to enter into a contract with Charlie McElroy, Architect, for the Neighborhood Facility Project. 6552

Ike Fulks - Yes
 Robert Leonard - Yes
 Jim Humphreys - Yes
 Roy Roberts - Yes
 W. F. McElroy - abstained

The City Manager discussed with Council water installation to C & P Telephone Company work center at former location of Glenn's Finer Homes. Mr. Shifflett representative of C & P Telephone Company had advised that C & P plans to extend six inch water service to their proposed site and requested the City of Norton to participate 50% in the cost of extending six inch water service from its present point of termination to the south side of and prior to crossing Route 23. 6553

Mr. Peter Lambert and Jim Cooper, representing the Norton Community Hospital appeared before Council requesting option of C. C. C. Camp Property for the purpose of constructing a Medical Facility thereon. 6554

On motion by Jim Humphreys, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by the following vote Council moved that an option be prepared between the City of Norton and Norton Community Hospital including the following: 6555

1. An offered sale price of \$48,500.00.
2. That the property would be used to construct thereon a medical facility pursuant to and subject to the Ordinances of the City of Norton.
3. Being further contingent on receiving a favorable legal opinion from the City Attorney relative to the legality of the City making a direct option from the City of Norton to Norton Community Hospital.

Ike Fulks - Yes
 Jim Humphreys - Yes
 W. F. McElroy - Yes
 Roy Roberts - Yes
 Robert Leonard - Abstained

Council agreed to have called meeting at 2:30 P.M. on May 14, 1974 for purpose of considering the above option and budget work session. 6556

The City Manager presented a request from the City of Norton School Board requesting that property occupied by their facilities be deeded to the City of Norton School Board. Matter referred to City Attorney for preparation of the Deed and for an opinion relative to the need of making this transfer of ownership. 6557

The City Manager advised Council that approximately \$21,000.00 of revenue sharing funds from the current year's budget would be unused and recommended that Council give consideration for appropriating these funds to several specific areas, including recreation - Capital expenditure, Capital Expenditure and Refuse Collection and the purchase of a community marquee. 6558

Council instructed the City Manager to present a cost of these items for their consideration at the next regular Council meeting.

Mr. Hicks, Postmaster, appeared before Council and advised that the Post Office Department would replace the entire sidewalk adjoining the Post Office Department property and requested that the City of Norton agree to provide upkeep and maintenance of the new sidewalk. Council agreed that the maintenance and upkeep of the new sidewalk would be handled as other sidewalk maintenance and repair in the City. Council discussed with Mr. Hicks the possibility of reducing the sidewalk width on Virginia Avenue. 6559

Mr. Franks advised Council that a field inspection of the Norton bypass was scheduled by the Virginia Department of Highways for May 15, 1974 at 10:30 A.M. 6560

Mr. Franks advised Council that Tri-City Waste Paper Company, Inc. of Kingsport, Tennessee would buy bailed paper from the City of Norton. The bailed paper would be produced through the use of a bailer leased from Allied Ind. Equipment Company, Inc. of Knoxville, Tennessee at a rate of \$165.00 per month.

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On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Robert Leonard and carried by unanimous vote Council moved that a paper bailer be leased from Allied Ind. Equipment Company, Inc. at a rate of \$165.00 per month for a 90 day trial basis.

Mayor Fulks brought the Council's attention to the need to have old dilapidated houses torn down on Kentucky Avenue, Roberts Avenue, and High Knob Road.

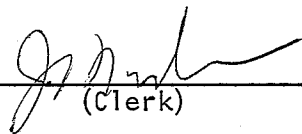
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Mr. Fulks requested the City Manager to contact the Virginia Department of Highways and Job Corps regarding cleaning of roads inside the City.


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Councilman McElroy asked when pot holes in West Norton road were to be patched. He was advised that asphalt could not be gotten at this time.

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



(Clerk)



(Mayor)