

A special meeting of the City Council was held on December 14, 1972 at 5:50 P.M. in the Municipal Court Room, with Mayor Woods presiding.

Present: Archie Woods, Ike Fultz, Robert Leonard, W.F. McElroy, Jim Humphreys

Also Present: Milas D. Franks, City Manager

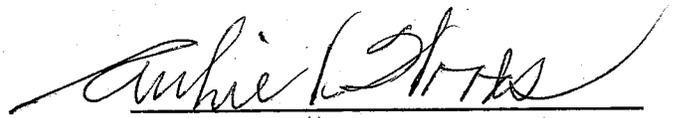
On motion made and duly seconded Milas Franks was appointed temporary Clerk.

City Manager presented to the City Council several recommendations for changes to the City Charter and advised council if they desired those changes to be made it was necessary to advertise and hold a public hearing in compliance with Section 15-1-835 of the Virginia Code, prior to presenting these changes to the General Assembly for their consideration. 4172

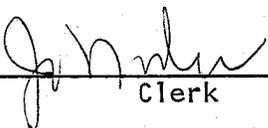
On motion by Jim Humphreys seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous vote council authorized the City Manager to advertise a public hearing to be held on January 2, 1973 to consider the following changes to the Charter of the City of Norton.

1. Amend Section 3.4 to provide that the offices of Mayor and Councilmen, both existing and in the future, shall expire at 12:01 A.M. on July 1.
2. Amend Section 3.924 to add that the Council may, in its discretion, appoint a separate attorney for the purpose of handling criminal matters for the City.
3. Change Section 5.2 to use the words "City Sheriff" instead of "City Sergeant" to comply with State Law.
4. Repeal all of Section 3.928 with regard to the establishment of a Police Court Justice and re-enact a provision to empower the City Council to appoint a Police Court Justice, from time to time, who will serve at the pleasure of the Council and also empower the council to appoint a substitute Police Court Justice to serve in the absence of the original Police Court Justice.
5. Change the last sentence of the Powers of the Council in Section 3.927 to provide that a separate attorney may be appointed by the Council to handle criminal cases arising under and by virtue of the ordinance of the City in order to correspond with the aforesaid amendment to Section 3.924.
6. Amend Section 3.7 to provide that the Mayor and Vice Mayor will be selected by the City Council on the first day of July, 1972 and on the first day of July of every second year thereafter instead of September 1 as in the existing Charter.

There being no further business to come before the Council same adjourned at 6:30 P.M.



 Mayor



 Clerk