

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on December 2, 1969 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

Present: V.O. Flanary, G.E. Hunnicutt, S.H. Neeley, W.G. Stallard, Robert Leonard.

Also Present: Evan Norton, City Manager

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Charlie Daniels appeared before council and presented the John I. Burton Band. The band under direction of Mr. Paul Dotson performed for the council with a few musical selections. Mayor Flanary expressed appreciation in behalf of the Council for the fine performance. 5010

Mr. Dotson, Director, extended an invitation to council to attend Band Concert Sunday, Afternoon, December 14th.

Mr. Daniels asked that Mayor Flanary issue a proclamation proclaiming the month of December as Band Uniform Month. He also asked that Council donate funds to purchase uniforms.

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by G.E. Hunnicutt and carried by unanimous roll call vote council moved that the city buy five uniforms at cost of \$550.00, said funds to be taken from contingency, to be reimbursed from revenue fund 616 account. 5011.

Council discussed with City Engineer and Mr. Norton the extension of sub-division on Hamner Avenue.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote council moved that extension of Hamner Avenue subdivision be accepted in accordance with recommendation of City Manager that it would be set up in accordance with the City Code. 5012.

Mr. Norton advised council of meeting with AWARE, Board of Supervisors and council on Thursday, December 4th at 6:00 P.M. at the Aware Building. 5013

Mr. Norton presented concession agreement with C. & P. Telephone Company.

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by W.G. Stallard and carried by unanimous vote council moved that the following concession service agreement with C. & P. Telephone Company be approved:

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 2nd day of December A.D., 1969, by and between the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia, hereinafter called "COMPANY" party of the first part, and the CITY OF NORTON, Wise County, Virginia, acting by its Mayor and Council, hereinafter called "CITY", party of the second part. 5014

WITNESSETH: That in consideration of the enactment by "City" of an ordinance on the 2nd day of December, A.D., 1969, granting permission to the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain and operate its posts, poles, conduits, manholes, ducts, cables, wires and all other necessary overhead and underground apparatus on, over, along, in, under and through the streets, alleys, highways and other public places within the limits of the City of Norton, in the County of Wise, and State of Virginia; and to use the property of other companies and permit other companies to use its property upon such arrangements as the two companies may agree; "Company" hereby agrees to provide and maintain for the "City" a minimum of five (5) free telephones for unlimited local exchange service, plus one such additional telephone for each additional 500 telephone stations above 2250 within the corporate limits of said city, or other local exchange services of a monthly revenue value equal thereto, to be located at such locations along its lines within the corporate limits of the said City as the "City" may direct.

This agreement shall continue in force as long as "Company" its successors and assigns, enjoys the rights and privileges granted in the aforesaid ordinance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be properly executed the day and year first above written.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by W.G. Stallard and carried by unanimous vote council moved that the recommendation of City of Norton Planning Commission to rezone Lot 5 Block 4 Section 25, Parts of Lots 1-2-3 and 4 Block 4, Section 25, 11.92 acres - West Norton - Section 26, .33 acres - Middle Norton - Section 27, located at Park Avenue, S.W. from B Residential to Local Business be approved. 5015

Mr. Norton reported on status of Little League Field. Council directed Mr. Norton to discuss this further with Supt. of Schools and School Board. 5016

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote council moved that agreement of City with reference to highway construction on Kentucky Avenue be approved. 5017

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote the following resolution was passed:

Resolved that the Norton City Council at its regular meeting of December 2, 1969 authorized the City Manager to sign and execute on behalf of the City an agreement with the Virginia Department of Highways concerning the construction of Kentucky Avenue entitled "Agreement By Municipality or Political Subdivision To Maintain Highways Improved Under Provisions of Federal Highway Act As Amended And Supplemented." 5018

Mr. Norton advised council that a meeting with Board of Assessors would be held Wednesday, December 3rd in City Hall at 1:00 P.M. 5019

Mr. Norton discussed with council Urban Renewal and Town Lift Plan. Mr. Norton presented maps of Central District of Norton showing the proposed Town Lift Plan. 5020

Mr. Norton asked if council would like to invite Mr. Siff from Richmond to come down with reference to Urban Renewal. Council was in agreement.

Council discussed parking lot next to Coalfield Progress Building.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by Robert Leonard and carried by unanimous vote council moved that the City Attorney be requested and empowered to proceed with the Norfolk & Western Railway Company to see if he can get restrictions from title regarding public purposes. 5021

Mr. Norton advised there was no further report on proposed recreation program. 5022

Council briefly discussed office and data system. 5023

Mr. Norton advised council that the Commissioner of Revenue was working on delinquent tax list in line with getting current owners. 5024

Mr. Daniels and Mr. Norton discussed with Council operation of Coke Ovens. Council was advised that the City Code specified six months and the State Code specified two years as the time limit beyond which a non-conforming use cannot be legally re-activated after deactivation for those periods. This was to advise the Council that the required time limits had probably elapsed and that steps should be taken to prevent re-activation if efforts should be made to do so. 5025

Chief Kelly presented proposed flag insignia for right arm of uniform. 5026

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


Clerk


Mayor