

October 8, 1968

A special called meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Building on October 8, 1968 at 10:00 A.M.

Present: V.O. Flanary, G.E. Hunnicutt, R.L. Collins, S.H. Neeley, W.G. Stallard.

Also Present: Evan Norton, City Mgr. & Robert Winston, Attorney

This meeting was called for the purpose of considering the possibility of constructing a new jail for the City of Norton. The Council had met in informal session with the Wise County Board of Supervisors on Monday Evening, October 7th and had discussed with the Board whether to participate with the County in the Joint construction of the new jail or to construct a City jail instead. The Board had been advised that the City Council would meet in special session today to give them an answer with regard to this since the Board of Supervisors was also holding its regular meeting on October 8th. #4584

After considerable discussion as to how to properly request the State for State approval of the City's request to construct a new jail, it was decided that this request be in the form of a resolution which would include all of the aspects of state assistance with regard to the construction and operation of the jail.

On motion by W.G. Stallard, seconded by R.L. Collins and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the City Council of Norton has been requested by the Board of Supervisors of Wise County to participate in the erection of a jail facility at Wise, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Norton has an election in determining the construction of a jail facility in the City of Norton, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has been instructed and informed by the Department of Welfare and Institutions of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that said Department will participate first in the construction of a jail facility on a 50/50 basis, but not to exceed the sum of \$25,000 participation by the Commonwealth, and further that said Department will participate in expenses of operation of said City jail under Section 53-179 and 53-180, Code of Virginia, and said Department will further reimburse the City on a basis of 2/3 of salaries of the City Sergeant and four deputies, or a minimum of 4 and 6/10 persons filling the position of jail keeper, and

WHEREAS, under these conditions it would be in the best interest of the City that the City proceed subject to the above conditions to cause to be build a City jail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE City Council of Norton, Virginia, that the City Manager be instructed and authorized to proceed with plans, specifications, requests for approval from the Department of Welfare and Institutions in agreement with the above stipulations subject to the recommendations of the Department, and

FURTHERMORE, the request is made that the City of Norton jail facility be counted by the Department of Welfare and Institutions against such requirements as made by the said Department for the joint County and City facilities, and that such City jail be operated on a basis of full reciprocity with the County.

S/ Vernon O. Flanary

Mayor

ATTEST:

S/ Jo Nosler
Clerk of Council