

June 18, 1963

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on June 18, 1963 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor B.E. Ball presiding.

Present: B.E. Ball, A.O. Umstead, J.C. Holcomb, J.B. Taggart

Absent: Archie Woods

Also Present: C.F. Jester, City Manager & R.T. Winston, City Attorney.

Minutes of the previous meetings were read, corrected and approved.

Council discussed the situation of the Dorchester Water Line after which #2448 council instructed the City Manager to confer with Mr. Kanto, go over there or send a representative and advise the people that the water will be interrupted and eventually cut off, as a necessity, and would like to know if they are interested in giving some assistance to keeping the water service. The City Manager was to report back to council at its next meeting.

Mr. George Hunnicutt, Chairman of Norton Industrial Development Corporation #2449 appeared before council regarding land owned by the City adjoining the industrial plant site on High Knob^{Road} and Laurel Avenue.

On motion by J.B. Taggart, seconded by A.O. Umstead and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved that the City Attorney when furnished with the proper description by the City Manager or his agents, prepare a deed for the strip of land lying between the property owned by the Norton Industrial Development Corporation and Benges Branch, and that such deed be delivered to the Norton Industrial Development Corporation and that proper easement be retained by the City for water line purposes.

Mr. Hunnicutt brought to council's attention resolutions passed by the #2450 Regional Power Committee and the several governmental bodies. He requested that the Council pass a resolution affirming and approving the resolutions passed by the above mentioned bodies.

On motion by J.B. Taggart, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by the following votes, the following resolution was passed: B.E. Ball, J.C. Holcomb, J.B. Taggart, voting YEA - A.O. Umstead, voting NAY.

Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Norton that the actions and resolutions of the Area Power Committee adopted at Big Stone Gap, Virginia, on June 12th be and hereby are affirmed and approved.

Be It Further Resolved that this committee is asked and instructed to continue its efforts in line with these resolutions and on behalf of this body and this community.

Mr. Jester presented before council the proposed personnel policy for the #2451 City of Norton.

On motion by J.B. Taggart, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council moved that the personnel policy be accepted and endorsed, as presented by the City Manager, effective July 1, 1963, such modifications as required to be made by City Manager in order for this to be put into effect.

On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by J.B. Taggart and carried #2452 by unanimous vote, the following resolution was passed:
Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Norton that the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board be, and hereby is, requested to extend the hours of sale and consumption of beer in the City of Norton to 12:00 P.M. during such periods of time that the City of Norton is on Daylight Saving Time.

Estimates on retaining walls was deferred until next council #2453 meeting.

On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by A.O. Umstead and carried #2454 by unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was passed:
Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Norton that the budget proposed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1963 and as duly advertised in the Coalfield Progress for public hearing which was held on June 11, 1963 be adopted with this amendment:

That the amount budgeted for the Reserve for Highways be reduced to \$10,000; that the amount budgeted for debt retirement be increased to \$9,978.00.

Be It Further Resolved that the real Estate Tax rate be for said fiscal year the sum of \$4.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation and the personal property, machinery and tools tax rate be the sum of \$5.50 per \$100 assessed valuation.

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Mr. Jester brought to council's attention the request of #2455 Miss Cherry for reserved parking space in front of her property on Virginia Avenue. Referred to City Manager.

On motion by A.O. Umstead, seconded by J.B. Taggart and #2456 carried by unanimous vote, Mr. W.P. Kanto was reappointed to the City of Norton School Board for term of three (3) years, said term to begin July 1, 1963.

On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by J.B. Taggart and #2457 carried by unanimous vote, council moved that resignation of W.P. Kanto as member of Norton Industrial Development Authority be accepted, with regrets, as of June 30, 1963.

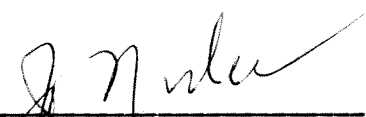
Mr. Jester advised council that Mr. Strader of the bonding #2458 company would be in Norton next week.
Council instructed the City Manager to contact both Mr. Strader of the bonding company and Mr. Lindsey of the engineering firm, to see if they could meet with the council next week for the discussion of bond sale to be held late in July and the advertising for bids.

A brief discussion was held on the delinquent tax collection #2459 system. The City Manager was instructed to have a report every thirty days on the progress of this program.

Mr. Jester advised council that he had received a telegram from Representative Pat Jennings advising that the City of Norton had been granted \$5600 Planning Advance for the Benges Branch Sewage Treatment Plant.

#2460

There being no further business before the council, same adjourned.



Clerk



Mayor