

February 21, 1961

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

Present: A. O. Umstead, F. W. Glass, W. R. Hamner, J. C. Holcomb, and B. E. Ball.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, corrected and approved.

On motion by J. C. Holcomb, seconded by W. R. Hamner and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that all papers pertaining to application to rezone an area on East Park Avenue near the Riverside Market from "B" Residential to Industrial be returned to the parties with the request that they abide by the ordinances of the City of Norton and file the papers with the proper parties or at the proper place. #1819

Paul Huff appeared before Council to request a taxi driver's permit. #1820

On motion by J. C. Holcomb, seconded by F. W. Glass and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Paul Huff was granted taxi driver's permit to operate from 96 Cab Company at 500 Park Avenue.

Council held a brief discussion of the taxi stand on Norton-Coeburn Road near the Lonesome Pine Recapping Company. No action taken. #1821

On motion by J. C. Holcomb, seconded by F. W. Glass, Bobby Waddel was granted permission to change from 96 Cab Company to the Tony Slaughter Cab Company on Norton-Coeburn Road. This was carried by the following votes: Glass, yes; Hamner, not voting; Ball, no; Holcomb, yes; Umstead, yes. #1822

On motion by W. R. Hamner, seconded by A. O. Umstead, and carried by unanimous vote, the following committee appointments were made: #1823

- (a) Roads & Transportation -- B. E. Ball
- (b) Public Service & Public Buildings -- A. O. Umstead
- (c) Health, Education & Housing -- Sol Cury
- (d) Recreational, Conservation & Tourist Facilities -- C. W. Bryant
- (e) Industrial & Business Development -- W. P. Kanto
- (f) Agricultural Development -- Charles Absher, Jr.
- (g) Publicity -- Bill Hendrick

On motion by F. W. Glass, seconded by J. C. Holcomb, Mr. J. B. Taggart was reappointed to the Norton Redevelopment & Housing Authority for a term of four years, said term expiring, Jan. 28, 1965. #1824

The City Manager recommended that street lights be installed at the following locations: #1825

- Green Street - $\frac{1}{2}$ block off Craig Street
- Pine Street - middle of block
- Chestnut Street - middle of block

On motion by J. C. Holcomb, seconded by F. W. Glass and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the City Manager was instructed to have the Old Dominion Power Company install lights at the above locations.

Mr. Norton pointed out to council a water map of the City of Norton #1826

On motion by W. R. Hamner, seconded by B. E. Ball and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council moved that Rev. Cliff Harbour, pastor of the Norton Methodist Church, bring to the City Council an account of the wickedness that he has discovered in the City of Norton. #1827

On motion by A. O. Umstead, seconded by W. R. Hamner and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council instructed the City Attorney to prepare a resolution complimentary to Mrs. Elizabeth Hyatt for services as reporter for the City of Norton and furthermore that she be presented with an appropriate gift, this to be presented at the next regular council meeting. #1828

The following Resolution was introduced by s/ A. O. Umstead, who moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, that on the first day of February, 1961, Mrs. Elizabeth Hyatt voluntarily resigned as Local Correspondent for The Roanoke Times after more than twenty years of service; that during those two decades as a newswoman, she reported many events and stories from this area in a manner that was beneficial and advantageous to Norton and Wise County; that her descriptions of people, places and events were always true, unbiased, and generally complimentary; that she was a regular attendant at the Council meetings since October, 1940; that in reporting the actions of the Council, she exemplified loyalty to her newspaper, fairness to the people, with honesty and understanding of the Council; and that the Members of the present Council desire that her amiable deeds be made a matter of record-

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Members of the Council hereby express their sincere appreciation to Mrs. Elizabeth Hyatt for her untiring efforts in reporting to The Roanoke Times an accurate and understanding account of the news in this area for the past twenty years, and that they trust that much pleasure and happiness will come to her during her many years of retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and that a copy be mailed to Mrs. Hyatt.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by s/ W. R. Hamner, with the result that all Members of the Council present voted Yea.

There being no further business before the council same adjourned.


Clerk


Mayor