

September 12, 1961

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on September 12, 1961 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor B.E. Ball presiding.

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

Absent: W.R. Hamner

Also Present: C.F. Jester, City Manager, Robert Winston, Attorney.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Carl McAfee, representing a group of citizens from the East Park Avenue community appeared before council requesting that the City Council do whatever is necessary regarding suit which is now entered in the Circuit Court regarding rezoning on East Park Avenue. #1998

Mr. Bill Oaks appeared before council requesting that the upper end of 10th Street be surfaced so that the road will be passable at all times. Matter referred to City Manager. #1999

Mr. Charlie Daniels appeared before council in behalf of Virginia Lions Mercy Caravan asking the council if they could give a donation to this cause. No action taken. #2000

Mr. Fred Baker from East Park Avenue appeared before council requesting that the street in the Virginia Avenue section between 700 and 800 block be opened and paved. Matter referred to City Manager for further study and report to council. #2001

Mr. George Barnette representing a group of residents from Norton-Wise Road appeared before council with a petition of fifty signers requesting water service to their properties. #2002
On motion by A.O. Umstead, seconded by Frank Horsman and carried by unanimous vote, council moved that the City Manager be authorized to contact Mr. Barnette, make a survey of the mountain, determine the linear feet of line required, approximate the estimated cost and report to council at the next meeting he can after his estimate is made.

Mr. J.B. Taggart, Chairman of the Committee appointed by Mayor Ball to investigate the power situation gave a report of the further findings regarding the power situation. He read a letter from Mr. Asher of the Old Dominion Power Company and his reply to the letter. A lengthy discussion followed after which Mr. George Hunnicutt, chairman of the Area Power Committee of Wise-Lee Counties presented a resolution to council asking for its adoption. #2003

On motion by Frank Horsman, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by the following votes, the following resolution regarding power companies was passed:

B.E. Ball, J.C. Holcomb, Frank Horsman, YEA - A.O. Umstead, Abstained.

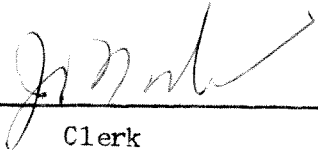
- Mr. Bill Quarterman, Fire Chief, spoke briefly to council regarding Civil Defense equipment to be used by the Fire Department. #2004
- Mr. Don Earls appeared before council asking that matter of putting pipe on their property to take care of sanitary sewer through their property be dropped and that under no circumstances city equipment be brought on their property. #2005
On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by Frank Horsman and carried by unanimous vote, council directed the City Manager to investigate this matter further and find out what should and could be done regarding it.
- Mr. Thrower spoke briefly on the audit of the City of Norton books for year ending June 30, 1961. #2006
On motion by A.O. Umstead, seconded by Frank Horsman and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council moved that an adjourned dinner meeting be held with Mr. Thrower so that the audit could be gone over in detail with recommendations by Mr. Thrower.
- On motion by Frank Horsman, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by unanimous vote, council moved that license to sell wine and champagne on-off premise be issued to Burlie Lioutzi, T/A Liberty Cafe. #2007
- The City Manager brought to council's attention the matter of trading the 1960 Police car. Council directed Mr. Jester to receive bids on a new police car. #2008
- Mr. Jester brought to council's attention the need of the City for a welder and pipe thawer and also for a rubber tire loader. This matter was tabled temporarily. #2009
- The City Manager presented a request of the Norton Fire Department to hold a carnival the third week in June, 1962. #2010
On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by A.O. Umstead and carried by the following votes, council granted permission to the Norton Fire Department to hold a carnival the third week in June, 1962. B.E. Ball, J.C. Holcomb, A.O. Umstead, YEA - Frank Horsman, Nay.
- The City Manager advised council of the appointment of Earle Brown as full-time Fire Marshall for the City of Norton, effective October 16, 1961. #2011
- The City Manager presented a request of the Rescue Squad for patch work on the area around the Legion cabin. Referred to City Manager. #2012
- The City Manager presented a letter to council regarding the use and misuse of surplus property. #2013
- The City Manager presented a request that all parking meters in front of the Municipal Building be changed from 12 minutes to one hour parking. #2014


On motion by A.O. Umstead, seconded by Frank Horsman and carried by unanimous vote, council moved that all parking meters in front of the Municipal Building be changed to one hour meters.

Mr. Jester advised council of the City's status before the State Water Control Board. #2015

The City Manager advised council of the football signs on the streets and also that the lumber had arrived for repair of the bleachers at the stadium. #2016

There being no further business before the council same adjourned at 11:15 P.M.


Clerk


Mayor