

May 6, 1954

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

All members of council were present and answered to roll call.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A petition was presented by W. M. Fawbush in behalf of the citizens residing on S. 12th Street and Spring Avenue requesting that the 12th Street crossing remain open and an access be constructed to the viaduct to serve them. The petition was ordered filed and Mr. Fawbush was told that the city had already made agreements with the railroads that were binding and further that the participation of both federal and state governments were dependent upon elimination of the grade crossing.

#355

Miss Sarah Dollarhyde appeared before council requesting an explanation of the sale of Ridge Avenue abutting her property. Miss Dollarhyde was assured that the property was not for sale and that she would receive proper notice in the event that the property was offered.

#356

The City Manager presented the revised agreements between the Department of Highways and City of Norton for financing of the 12th Street overpass. He explained that this revision resulted in an estimated saving to Norton of \$62,500.00. He also explained that the amounts in the contract were estimated and that revisions may be necessary in the future to cover contingencies that may arise.

#357

The following resolution was duly introduced, seconded and passes: RESOLVED, that the City Manager and Clerk of the City of Norton be, and they are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Norton that certain agreement between the City of Norton and the Virginia Department of Highways bearing even date with this resolution and which said agreement supersedes the previous agreement between the Highway Department and City of Norton of June 18, 1953.

The Welfare Committee reported the results of their meeting with the committee of the Board of Supervisors and after a brief discussion the committee was directed to appear at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday and report the results to Council.

#358

The Manager reported that he had instructed the League of Virginia Municipalities that Norton chooses to intervene in the proposed increased rates of the C. & P. Telephone Company since the majority of the towns in this area were opposed to such increase.

#359

In a discussion of the school site Ramsey the City Attorney stated that he had obtained a price from the county school board for said property.

#360

On motion by Fred King, seconded by W. R. Hamner and carried unanimously, the City Manager and City Attorney were authorized to negotiate with the Wise County School Board for their property in Ramsey..

There being no further business before the council same adjourned.

Fred King
Chair

W. R. Hamner