

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Norton City Council was held on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor William Mays presiding.

Present: Mark Caruso, William Mays, Joseph Fawbush, and Terry Roop

Absent: Joseph Hunnicutt

Also Present: E. W. Ward, City Manager and Bill Bradshaw, City Attorney

The invocation was given by Father Tim Drake and was followed by the pledge led by Police Chief James C. Lane.

Upon a motion by Councilman Roop, seconded by Councilman Fawbush, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the January 3, 2012 meeting as presented. 2527

There was no response to the Mayor's call for visitors. 2527

A presentation was given to Council by Joe Hale and Larry Hixson, representatives of HDH Associates, on a new roof for the J. I. Burton High School. After being introduced by Dr. Comer, the Superintendent of the Norton City Schools, they supplied council members with a handout and showed architect renderings. 2527

At this time, Councilman Hunnicutt took his seat on Council. 2527

They then discussed two options for the replacement of this roof. One option is a flat roof and the second option is a metal hip roof. He then explained each of these options. Following this presentation, Mr. Hale answered questions from members of Council. Mayor Mays thanked Mr. Hale and Mr. Hixson for their presentation. 2527

In their packets, Council had been presented with a copy of a request from the Norton City Schools in the amount of \$220,000 covering payroll and bills payable dated December 16, 2011.

Upon a motion by Councilman Hunnicutt, seconded by Councilman Fawbush, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a transfer to the Norton City Schools in the amount of \$220,000 to cover payroll and bills payable. (Insert – Councilman Roop's Disclosure Form) 2527

Upon a motion by Councilman Roop, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to go into closed meeting to discuss personnel as per Section No. 2.2-3711 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia as amended. Mayor Mays declared Council in closed meeting. 2527

Upon a motion by Councilman Hunnicutt, seconded by Councilman Fawbush, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into open meeting. Mayor Mays declared Council back in open meeting. 2528

The Clerk polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Closed Meeting with each answering yes. The Clerk then read A Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting. Upon a motion by Councilman Hunnicutt, seconded by Councilman Fawbush, and passed by the following unanimous vote: YES – Caruso, Hunnicutt, Fawbush, Roop, Mays, NO – None, ABSENT – None, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting. (Insert)

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The Mayor opened the floor for a nomination to the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority for a four year term which will expire on January 28, 2016.

Councilman Caruso nominated Lynn Livingston to be reappointed to this Authority.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fawbush, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

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Mayor Mays declared Lynn Livingston reappointed to the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority for a four year term which will expire on January 28, 2016.

The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a five year term which will expire on January 17, 2017.

Councilman Hunnicutt nominated Mike Ball to be reappointed to this Board.

Upon a motion by Councilman Fawbush, seconded by Councilman Roop, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

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Mayor Mays declared Mike Ball reappointed to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a five year term which will expire on January 17, 2017.

Mayor Mays opened the floor for nominations to the Norton Highway Safety Commission for two year terms which will expire on January 31, 2014.

Councilman Roop nominated James Lane, Frank Gravely, J. T. Caruso, and Bobby Cassell to be reappointed to this Commission.

Upon a motion by Councilman Hunnicutt, seconded by Councilman Fawbush, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

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Mayor Mays declared James Lane, Frank Gravely, J. T. Caruso, and Bobby Cassell reappointed to the Norton Highway Safety Commission for two year terms which will expire on January 31, 2014.

Mayor Mays opened the floor for nominations to the Southwest Virginia EMS Council for a two year term which will expire on January 31, 2014.

Councilman Fawbush nominated Todd Lagow to be reappointed to this Council.

Upon a motion by Councilman Caruso, seconded by Councilman Hunnicutt, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

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Mayor Mays declared Todd Lagow reappointed to the Southwest Virginia EMS Council for a two year term which will expire on January 31, 2014.

The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Board of Equalization for a one year term which will expire on December 31, 2012.

Councilman Caruso nominated Robert Leonard, Robert Raines, and Sherry Adams to this Board and Lann Malesky was nominated as an alternate.

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Upon a motion by Councilman Roop, seconded by Councilman Fawbush, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Mays declared Robert Leonard, Robert Raines and Sherry Adams nominated to this Board with Lann Malesky nominated as an alternate. These names will be submitted to the Wise County Circuit Court for approval for a one year term which will expire on December 31, 2012.

The Mayor opened the floor for nominees to the Ninth District Development Financing, Inc. for a two year term which will expire on January 31, 2014.

Councilman Hunnicutt nominated Joyce Payne to be reappointed to this Board.

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Upon a motion by Councilman Caruso, seconded by Councilman Fawbush, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Mays declared Joyce Payne reappointed to the Ninth District Development Financing, Inc. for a two year term which will expire on January 31, 2014.

In comments from the City Manager, Mr. Ward advised that the annual Capital Improvement Projects Meeting will be held on Friday, March 9, 2012 at Noon. No location has been selected at this time.

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In comments from the City Attorney, Mr. Bradshaw advised that he is moving forward on the tax sales.

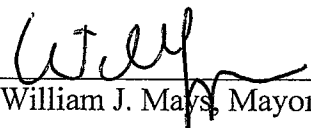
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There were no comments from Council.

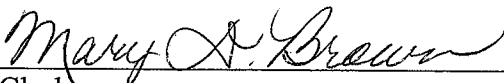
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There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned in order that Council could go into a work session with the City of Norton School Board.

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA

  
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William J. Mays, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk