

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Council Chambers on June 21, 1988 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Daniels presiding.

Present: Roy Roberts, Jack Wallace, Cliff Daniels, Robert Raines, William Mays

Also Present: C.R. Brown, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney.

Invocation was given by Councilman Robert Raines, followed with Pledge of Allegiance led by Mary Brown.

14159

The Mayor announced there would be some additions to the agenda - Under new business, 1A - Signature Resolution; 1B Special Presentation; Comments between audience for visitors and old business.

14160

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of June 7, 1988 be approved as presented with correction to paragraph 14153 to read "Councilman Raines commented on this matter stating since the sign had been in place since 1978, since there were many unresolved problems associated with both 14th & 15th Street, since easements were granted to the City by the hospital, and in an effort in-good-faith resolve all problems associated with said streets without setting a president for right-of-way use, Councilman Raines reluctantly moved the request be granted for a license permit for the hospital sign."

14161

The Mayor called for audience for visitors for those people not on agenda. Jenay Rockett expressed her appreciation to City of Norton and the many other people who helped make the Best Friend Festival a success. She also told of two people who had dropped in her office on Monday and expressed appreciation for this Festival. She read a poem written by Denise Gabriele, entitled "That's What Friends are For".

14162

The Mayor stated he would also like to take this opportunity to express appreciation for all work done by committee and the cooperation of all those attending the festival. He stated he would like to give special thanks to members of the Festival Committee: Chester Dingus, Chairman of First Comm., Jenay Rockett, Co-Chairman, Pat Daniels, Gennett Strength, Shelly Knox, Joyce Payne, Jane Fleming, George Lewis, Imogene Emershaw, Hope McNeal, Anna Breeding, Bob Isaac, Dale Kennedy & Deta Davis.

The Mayor presented the City Manager, Charles R. Brown, a Plaque in recognition of his fine services with the City of Norton for the past 5½ years. He also advised the audience that as of July 1st Ernie Ward would be taking over position of City Manager.

14163

An Ordinance Adopting the budget for the City of Norton, Virginia for the fiscal year of July 1, 1988 thru June 30, 1989, Appropriating Funds for all contemplated expenses of the City for the Fiscal Year and Placing Levies upon all real estate, personal property and Bank Stock, and Licenses and automobile Licenses. This ordinance to be for the second reading.

14164

The Mayor presented the synopsis of the Budget.

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved the adoption of the City of Norton Budget on second reading. (Insert)

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that "A Resolution Defining Signature and Access Requirements for various City Accounts, Investments and Certificate Storage" be passed as read.

14165

(Insert)

The Mayor announced we would now have a special presentation by Chief Sam Mongle of the Norton Police Department. Chief Mongle stated in behalf of City of Norton Highway Safety Committee he would like to give you an update as to where we are going and what we have been doing for the past two years. He presented a video film of a fake accident, emphasizing the use of seat-belts. He stressed the use of seat belts at all times. 14166

Chief Mongle presented a plaque to Randy Cassell, Chairman of Norton Highway Safety Committee and Virginia Stokes a member of the Committee. They in turn presented this plaque to Charles Brown, City Manager for the City of Norton.

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia accepting certain streets and drainage improvements. Council briefly discussed this matter. 14167

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, Accepting certain streets and Drainage Improvements be passed. (Insert)

Consideration of the Recommendation of the Coal & Gas Road Improvement Committee for 1988-1989.

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Roberts Raines and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to accept the recommendation of the Coal & Gas Road Improvement Committee for 1988-1989. 14168

Request for budget amendment of less than 1% for 1987-1988.

Mr. Brown addressed this subject. Council briefly discussed the subject with Mr. Brown. 14169

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that request for budget amendment of less than 1% for 1987-1988 be passed. (Insert)

Discussion of zoning on West Main in Norton. Mr. Brown addressed this subject and presented map of zoning and minutes of Bd. of Zoning Appeals of Dec. 16, 1985. Council discussed this matter at length. 14170

Request to schedule a date and time for Council's organizational meeting. Council was in agreement to meet at 8:30 A.M. on July 1, 1988 for the organizational meeting. 14171

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel as Per 2.1-344 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, As Amended, and legal matters as Per 2.1-344 (A) (6) of the Code of Virginia, As Amended. 14172

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to go ~~back~~ into regular session.

The Mayor declared council back in regular session.

The Mayor advised in regard to legal matter discussions were held concerning legal avenues of collecting delinquent taxes. Council has instructed the Treasurer to promptly advertise legal avenues that are open and to enforce and I urge all citizens to pay heed to their local paper during the month of July. 14173

William Mays nominated Jim Fawbush to Handicaps Unlimited of Southwest, Virginia, for an indefinite term.

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved nominations cease.

The Mayor declared Jim Fawbush appointed as member of Handicapped unlimited of Southwest Virginia, for an indefinite term. 14174

Comments by City Manager - 1. Have paid all water bonds to F.H.A. and have certified copy of bonds for records to turn over to clerk. 2. We are pumping water now. 3. We have been notified that viaduct will be closed as of June 27th until near Christmas if weather is good and if not - it may last until next year. 14175

The Mayor stated he would like to request from Highway Department a monthly update progress report.

Mayor would like to remind council of work session right after adjournment - on an Ordinance setting forth uniform requirements for Direct & Indirect Contributors into the Waste Water Collection and Treatment System of the City of Norton. 14176

There being no further business to come before the council same adjourned.

Cliff Daniels  
Mayor

Jo Miller  
Clerk