

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on December 6, 1988 in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Daniels presiding.

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

Also Present: E.W. Ward, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

Invocation was given by Rev. Paul Hitchum, followed with Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Watson. 13420

On motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of November 14, 1988 be approved as presented. 13421

The Mayor announced Council would now have a special presentation. Mayor Daniels presented to W.P. "Sonny" Armistead a Certificate of Appreciation for outstanding service and contributions to the City of Norton Downtown Revitalization Program. 13422

Bill Watson appeared before council and addressed the subject of time of tax collections. He stated he would like council to consider payment of taxes on a semi-annual basis. The Mayor advised this had been considered at one time. 13423

Discussion of Water Reserves - The City Manager advised that the water in both reservoirs combined is 104.6 million gallons. He briefly discussed taking up emergency pipe line. Council was in agreement. 13424

Update on the 11th Street overpass . The City Manager briefed council on this subject, advising that bridge would be open for traffic on December 21st. 13425

Discussion of a proposal on restructuring of Local Government in Virginia. City Manager Ward addressed this subject giving a synopsis of Del. Cranwell's proposal, along with V.M.L. proposal. He advised council on effects this restructuring would have on our local government. 13426

Del. Jack Kennedy was present and also addressed this subject, advising the Grayson report had not been received yet. He spoke briefly regarding this report. He advised council he thought it would be good for the City to speak with the county regarding this matter. Mayor Daniels spoke briefly on this subject. Vice Mayor Raines and Councilman Roberts also spoke on this subject. Council was in agreement with the suggestion of Del. Kennedy to meet with the County to discuss this matter.

A Resolution requesting the Commonwealth Transportation Board to conduct the annual Pre-Allocation meeting in the City of Norton. 13427

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, Requesting the Annual Pre-Allocation Hearing be held in the City of Norton was passed. (Insert)

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel as Per. 2.1-344 (A) (1) and Legal Matters as Per 2.1-344 (A) (6) of the Code of Virginia, As Amended. 13428

On motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session. 13429

The Mayor declared council back in regular session.

The Mayor advised appointment to the C N W Regional Wastewater Authority had been postponed.

The Mayor announced the floor was open for nominations to Community Services Board.

Jack Wallace nominated Dr. Jerry Cardwell for appointment to Community Service Board to fill the unexpired term of George Bailey, resigned, said term to expire May 1, 1990. 13429

Robert Raines moved, seconded by William Mays that nominations be closed.

The Mayor declared Dr. Jerry Cardwell as member of the Community Services Board, said term to expire May 1, 1990.

The Mayor advised in regard to legal matters they had received a legal opinion concerning the legality of contract as relative to incorporating of Josephine Sewer Plant section into regional sewer system. 13430

He stated we will need a motion to approve an engineering contract revision for \$78,700 for this incorporation of Josephine pumping station into the regional sewer system, before we notify the Authority indicating that the City of Norton has agreed to those increased charges. On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve an engineering contract revision for \$78,700 for the incorporation of Josephine Pumping Station into the regional sewer system before we notify the Authority indicating that the City of Norton has agreed to those increased charges.

Comments by the City Manager - Just want to remind each of you of the City's annual Christmas dinner on Thursday, Dec. 8th at 7:00 P.M. at the Community Center. 13431

Mayor Daniels proposed that skip December 20th meeting. Council was in agreement for this. 13432

There being no further business to come before Council same adjourned.

Cliff Daniels  
Mayor

J. D. ...  
Clerk