

A regular called session of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on June 22, 1982 at 7:30 P.M. for the purpose of passing the 1982-83 budget.

Present: George Hunnicutt, W.F. McElroy, Robert Collier, Cliff Daniels, Vic Jones.

Mike Brooks spoke on budget with regard to water department section. Bob Phelps also commented on budget. Vice Mayor McElroy and Councilman Daniels, Mayor Hunnicutt spoke on budget with regard to water department.

Councilman Collier read the budget totals for each department.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by the following votes, Collier, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Jones, YES; Daniels, NO, Council moved that the following ordinance "Adopting the Budget for this Municipality for the Fiscal Year of 1982-1983 Appropriating Funds for all Contemplated Expenses of the Municipality for the Fiscal Year and Placing Levies upon Real Estate, Personal Property and Bank Stock, Licenses, Automobile Licenses was passed", (Insert)

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Councilman Daniels stated "I can not give support of budget without addressing the problem on the basis of the water portion".

Councilman Collier presented map of Old Elementary School Property. He stated he would like this property designated as recreation facilities for the City of Norton. Norton Clean & Beautiful Commission would be lead agency and see this project through. Council advised Mr. Collier this would have to be presented at regular meeting of Council.

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Council is to meet on July 1st at 10:00 A.M. for organization meeting.

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Mayor Hunnicutt announced it is essential that this council meet immediately following this session in called executive session to consider personnel (possibly naming of City Manager).

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Councilman Collier gave the following upon his last meeting with City Council:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Norton for the fabulous and important position they granted me these past four years.

Many issues have come before this council of which several have been resolved, yet others are in the process of solution, but I think that this Council has made good forward progress and has addressed each issue head on.

I have never served as a public official before so I have no reference to go on, however, I would have to give this council high marks for hard work, perservance, dedication to the tasks of breaking ground and working through uncharted waters with poise and again forward progress.

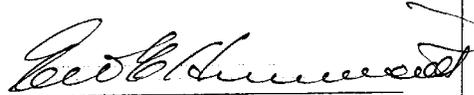
Since the wee hours of the last regular council meeting we have gone to battle again. We have declared war now on two major and fundamental issues facing this council - one madated by the State Water Control Board on infiltration and inflow and the second and newest battle which should be viewed with equal gravity is our emergency to battle leaks in the City water system. Except for the Clear Creek Project and the two major issues just mentioned all other issues seem to be a bit peripheral.

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If this city is to grow and to attempt to diversify its economic base from cool to medium and light industry our water and sewer problems must be looked at with the scrutiny of a wise old sage. By diversifying our economy and enhancing the proliferation of commerce in the City our school system can remain autonomous and the quality of life all our citizens will benefit.

I would just like to finalize by saying, keep the momentum above zero and tread away from intransigence - the future of the City depends on "Forward Progress".

There being no further business same adjourned.


Mayor


Clerk