

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on March 17, 1981 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Hunnicutt presiding.

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

Also Present: G.M. Newman, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of March 3rd and March 12th be approved as presented.

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Brenda Salyers of Clean County Committee appeared before council and ask that City of Norton declare one day a week or a month as clean and beautiful week. She also ask that reactivate committee that Mr. Jones was Chairman of last year. She also commented that she Thought Norton was looking very nice. She advised that the county had set the dates of April 18th-25th as "Keep America Beautiful". Council discussed this matter briefly with Ms. Salyer. It was decided that red geraniums should be planted at Cannon on Municipal Building Lot. Councilman Jones said he would like to have two red bags in every home. Mayor Hunnicutt commended Ms. Salyers for the fine job she has done. Mayor Hunnicutt declared April 18th-25th as "Keep America Beautiful". He appointed Victor Jones as Chairman of committee with Don Jack Mullins as his assistant.

10098

Council considered bid requisition for police department.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that City Manager be authorized and directed to put out for bids a figure of \$10,400 for a police car, siren and red light. This money to be 100% reimbursed thru Highway Safety Committee.

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Council considered Ordinance "Taxation of Vending Machines". After a brief discussion, Council agreed to have this proposed license tax advertised with the new budget.

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Mr. Newman presented council with a proposed dog quarantine date. He advised the county dates had been set for April 20th-26th.

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On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that week of April 20th - 26th be set for annual dog quarantine.

Mayor Hunnicutt presented a certificate and U.S. American Flag to Council from the Architect of the Capitol. He advised that this Flag was flown over the capitol and is to be flown for Norton City Council in all official city parades that City Council is participating in. Mayor Hunnicutt advised that Councilman Jones was responsible for bringing this about.

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On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that go into executive session to discuss pending contract.

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On motion by Robert Collier seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved they go back into regular session.

Mayor Hunnicutt reported that after considerable deliberation we have come to one conclusion on Pending Contract that is, exert the funding of A.R.C. grant money dating back to 1976. For various and sundry reasons have failed to be expedited in the amount of \$74,196.00 for various and sundry water projects based on A.R.C. grant which under present National Government stands a chance of loosing if don't go ahead and expedite - determine that go ahead and proceed with the pursuance of these projects on a force account basis.

On motion by Cliff Daniels, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that City Manager be authorized and directed to proceed to expedite the listed water projects in the amount of \$76,191.00 with A.R.C. money, basically saying that City of Norton is going to do this work and to proceed forthwith and immediately.

10104

Mr. Newman called to council's attention the Highway preallocation meeting to be held in Bristol on April 1st.

On motion by Robert Collier, seconded by Vic Jones and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the City Attorney prepare a resolution petitioning the Dept. of Highways to give us the final plans on traffic survey and expedite finishing of Rt. 58 and Rt. 23 thru Norton. Said resolution to be carried to Bristol to Highway meeting on April 1st.

10105

Councilman Daniels ask if there was to be a public hearing on Bond Referendum before April 1st.

Council decided to hold this hearing on March 31st at 7:00 P.M. for purpose of discussing impending bond issue.

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At request of Councilman Jones, Mr. Prior gave report on status of Market Place.

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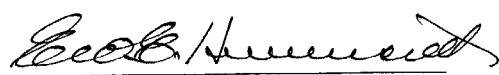
Councilman Jones again brought the matter of speakers in court room being unable to be heard. Mr. Newman advised they were being worked on.


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Mayor Hunnicutt inquired as to status of Mobile Home tax drive. Mr. Newman advised it was being worked on.

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

  
Mayor

  
Clerk