

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on July 10, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Fulks presiding.

Present: Ike Fulks, W.F. McElroy, George Hunnicutt, Vernon Flanary, Bill Necessary

Also Present: Jim Vicars, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. John Van Tassell, Director of Diversified Education, was present and advised council that his Board of Directors had given him the go ahead to develop a plan whereby they could move into the two story building by October 1st, providing this would meet with council's approval. He stated that this would relieve Dilenowisco of liability for the three story building including heating. Council asked Dr. Van Tassell to bring back definite plans to City Manager before next meeting that could take action at next meeting.

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Mrs. Mainous was present at council meeting and inquired as to why they were still stripping on top of 11th Street. Council discussed this matter with persons present. Mr. Grandis, Attorney for citizens of 13th Street spoke on the matter. Kenneth Asbury rendered an opinion on the matter that part was legal but probably not all. Council was of the opinion that appropriate actions should be taken.

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A gentlemen from Ossea's Traylor Court on West Norton Road and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Mills appeared before council regarding water running into their homes in the last hard rain. They stated a new culvert and cleaning out of creek would take care of the matter. Matter referred to City Manager.

Matter of drainage in front of Joe Fischer's on West Park Avenue referred to City Manager for investigation.

Mrs. Mills asked that council put in a larger drain on the other side of the street from her property in order to protect her property in the future.

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On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Bill Necessary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that the City Manager be authorized and directed to hire services of Stuart Campbell, Attorney for the purpose of pursuing tipping tax in the City of Norton and that he be authorized to spend the sum of money not to exceed \$6,000.00 said money to be taken from contingency fund.

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The City Manager discussed with council funds that the Community Services Administration had left over from Lonesome Pine Development Corporation.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Vernon Flanary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that rescind instructions to City Manager in previous council meeting and to support proposal of LENOWISCO to utilize the funds for development of industrial area in Big Stone Gap.

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The City Manager advised council of Elderly High Rise Bids.

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The City Manager discussed with council drainage problems in the city.

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On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that "An Ordinance for the Regulation and Licensing of Dogs within the Municipality" be passed as read. (Insert)

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The City Manager advised council of the Third Year Entitlement Funds Approval.

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The City Manager advised council of the following:

1. That he had received copies of deed from attorneys of Norton Squares and Greater Wise, Inc. He stated he was going to advise them that the city could not accept in present condition and that the city doesn't take title to things with reversion clause.

2. He advised of the illegal burning of brush along Spring Avenue by highway subcontractors and actions that had been taken on the same.

3. He advised that he had received an inquiry as to why could not change the City Building Codes. He stated that the state tells the city what the law is and what they can adopt.

4. The City Attorney advised that he had distributed to members of council copies of Freedom of Information Law.

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Councilman Flanary reported to council that he had been asked to report storage trailer parked beside Coca Cola Plant since it was a hazard to drivers and that some children had almost gotten hit because of not being able to see around the trailer.

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Councilman Hunnicutt stated he thought it would be good for each of the two proposed appointees to school board be interviewed at council meeting before making the appointment.

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

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Mayor

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Clerk

