

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Building Court Room on April 17, 1973 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Ike Fultz presiding.

Present: Ike Fultz, Robert Leonard, W. F. McElroy

Absent: Jim Humphreys

Also Present: Milas Franks, City Manager and Montie Meeks, City Attorney

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion by W. F. McElroy, seconded by Robert Leonard and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council unanimously adopted the following resolution, recognizing Archie V. Woods for his contributions as Councilman and Mayor of the City of Norton. The Mayor then presented Jimmy Woods with a plaque honoring Archie V. Woods. Page 55 6275

Mr. Franks explained to the City Council the proposed Parking and Thoroughfare Plan for the Central Business District of the City, South of the Businesses on Park Avenue. This Project involves the removal of an N & W Railroad Spur and extensive Street and drainage improvements. The Council authorized the City Manager to proceed to contact the N & W Railroad Company as the first step in pursuing the proposed plan. 6276

Mr. Franks presented to the City Council proposed water and sewer rates on Trailer Parks. This matter was tabled for further study. 6277

Mr. Franks advised the City Council that the first Revenue Sharing Check for the calendar year 1973 had been received in the amount of \$21,111.00. This check represents one-fourth of the Revenue Sharing Funds that will be received for 1973. 6278

J. T. Caruso appeared before Council asking for an additional \$2,650.00 for the completion of the lighting system at the Little League Field. 6278

On motion by Robert Leonard, seconded by W. F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote City Council appropriated from the Contingency Fund an additional \$2,650.00 for the completion of the Little League Field. 6279

Charlie Calton, Superintendent of the Norton Welfare Department appeared before Council and requested that the City of Norton Welfare Department Employees be allowed to join the Virginia Supplemental Retirement System. Council agreed to allow the City of Norton Welfare Department to participate in the Virginia Supplemental Retirement System, and advised Mr. Calton that the Welfare Department Employees would be covered upon the adoption of the following Resolution. 6280

On motion by W. F. McElroy, seconded by Robert Leonard and carried by unanimous roll call vote Council unanimously agreed to adopt the following Resolution authorizing the City Clerk and other City Officers to proceed with the implementation of the Virginia Supplemental Retirement Plan for all salaried City Employees. Page 56 6281

Jim Vicars of Lenowisco, appeared before Council to discuss the Regional Land Use Plan. He presented the Council a Resolution for their consideration in support of the Regional Land Use Plan. 6282

On Motion by Robert Leonard, seconded by W. F. McElroy and carried by unanimous vote the City Council moved to adopt the following Resolution in support of the Regional Land Use Plan. Page 57. 6283

City Manager brought to the attention of City Council a request by Norton Industrial Development Authority to relocate 10th Street right-of-way located at the Southside of Park Avenue and adjacent to the Sears, Roebuck and Company Property. Mr. Franks advised that this request was being made to provide proper alignment of traffic lanes at this intersection in the event that at some future date this section of 10th Street is opened to traffic. Council authorized the City Attorney and the City Manager to proceed to contact the N & W Railroad Company to see if they would be agreeable to relocating this Street right-of-way since they have a restrictive covenant on this Property specifying that it must be used for a Street. Council agreed to relocating the Street right-of-way provided the above referenced restrictive covenant can be removed or relocated to the new proposed Street right-of-way. 6284

The City Manager presented a request by the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority to waive the \$200.00 judgement that the City of Norton has against the Property owned by Mrs. Eula Mae Wright, which said property lies within the Urban Renewal Project on Roberts Avenue. The City Attorney advised the City Council that if they did this they would be setting a precedent on matters of this type. Council denied the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority Request. 6285

Mayor Fultz advised the City Manager of the condition of East Park Avenue. The City Manager advised that patch work would be begun again just as soon as weather would allow. 6286

The Mayor also brought the City Manager's attention the condition of 12th Street in the Ramsey Section of Norton. 6287

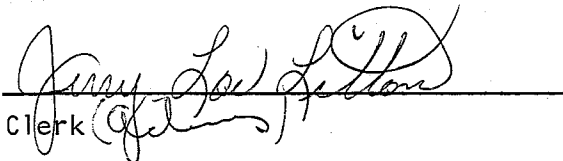
The Mayor asked the City Manager about the drainage problem at Mr. Adkins Property on East Park Avenue. He was advised that this problem had been taken care of. 6288

The Mayor ask if Mr. Bill Farmer's request that Ridge and 11th Street be patched had been taken care of. The City Manager advised that some patch work had been done in this area, but additional work was yet needed to be done. 6289

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



Mayor


Clerk