

March 13, 1962

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on March 13, 1962 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor B.E. Ball presiding.

Present: B.E. Ball, W.R. Hamner, J.C. Holcomb, Frank Horsman

Absent: A.O. Umstead

Also Present: C.F. Jester, City Manager and R.T. Winston, City Attorney.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Winston, City Attorney, gave a report to council regarding number #2110 of members required for Board of Assessors and regarding the necessity of an equalization Board.

On motion by Frank Horsman, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by #2111 unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was passed:
Resolved that W.F. McElroy, John Franklin and Sam Neeley be appointed Assessors for the general reassessment of the City of Norton and that the Judge of the Circuit Court of Wise County be requested to enter an appropriate order appointing them as assessors.

Mr. Bob Isaac appeared before council inquiring as to whether or not #2112 anything had been done regarding parking lot on Park Avenue which he would like to secure for a building site. The Mayor advised Mr. Isaac that council would give a definite answer by next council meeting, March 20th.

Mrs. Fred Greear appeared before the council to inform the members of #2113 the Council of the Chamber of Commerce's beautification program and expressed wishes for the cooperation of the City Council.

Mr. J.B. Taggart appeared before council and discussed at length with #2114 Council the matter of reopening the proposal of extension of water services to the Town of Wise.

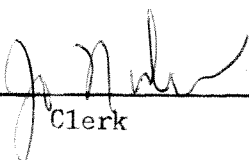
On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by W.R. Hamner and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was passed:
Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, that Whereas, approximately eighteen months ago the Town of Wise asked the Council of the City of Norton if arrangements could be made for sale of water from the Norton water supply to the Town of Wise, and Whereas, the Council of the City of Norton upon investigation concluded that such water could not be available and ~~na~~jected aforesaid request of the Town of Wise, and Whereas, since that date certain improvements and corrections have been made in the Norton Water Supply system with resultant material savings in water. Now, therefore, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Norton that it is willing, anxious and ready to reconsider this request of the Town of Wise if the Town of Wise desires that it be so reconsidered.

Be It Further resolved that the City Manager is instructed to contact the Council of the Town of Wise to advise them that Norton will be and is available for further discussion of this matter with the understanding that Norton could not proceed with such an arrangement unless competent Hydraulic engineers were employed and gave complete approval to the plan, to Norton's participation therein, and to the city's water requirements for the duration

of such plan, and that the City Manager is further instructed to report back to the City Council as to whether or not the Town of Wise wishes to pursue this matter further.

Mr. Jester presented a request of the Town and Country Garden Club #2115 of Wise for \$50.00 per year for five years to help defray the expenses of landscaping at the Wise County Public Library. On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by FrankHorsman and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council moved that a contribution of \$50.00 per year be given for the landscaping at the Wise County Public Library for the next five years, beginning with the 1961-62 budget and continuing thru the 1965-66 budget.

There being no further business before the council same adjourned.


Clerk


Mayor