

August 6, 1957

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Court Room at 7:30 P. M. with Mayor B. E. Ball presiding.

All members of council were present and answered to roll call.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Tommy Peake, President of Boys' Nation spoke to council on "Youth's View of Good Government". Council thanked Tommy for his excellent speech on Youth's View. #1121

A delegation from the Norton Fire Department with Mr. Emory Provence as spokesman extended an invitation to Mr. Davis and the Council to attend a steak dinner in honor of Mr. Davis, August 22nd at the Liberty Cafe. #1122

Mr. E. C. Mullins, Mr. D. C. McConnell and Mr. Robert Sturgill, representing the citizens of Ramsey appeared before council asking that something be done to eliminate the obnoxious odor that exists in Ramsey from Norton's sewer. No definite action taken. #1123

Mr. R. A. Sult appeared before council and presented council with a financial statement of the Welfare Dept. for the year 1956-57. He also asked that council appoint a member from their body to serve with the Welfare Board in securing a new Welfare Superintendent. #1124

Mr. W. M. Sharpe appeared before council asking if something could be done to lower the crown of the street on 9th Street. Matter referred to City Manager. #1125

Mr. Fithian, Resident Engineer of the Chester Engineers explained to Council at length the cost of using other materials than rip rap on the new dam structure for grouting purposes. #1126

Mr. Thrower, Auditor for the City presented a financial report of the City for the year ending June 30, 1957. A brief discussion was held. #1127

Mr. Davis presented council with an estimate of cost to run sewer line on Coeburn Road in the Spout Springs section, which cost was \$1300.00. Matter tabled until next council meeting. #1128

Mr. Davis presented a petition from Mr. R. S. Graham asking the City to vacate the alley dividing Lot No. 7 in Block No. 3, after which the following resolution was introduced by Sol Cury, seconded by Fred H. King and carried by unanimous roll call vote: #1129

Resolved, that the aforesaid alley dividing Lot No. 7 in Block No. 3, map of Hagan Highland Addition to Norton, Virginia, on the west, and Highland Cemetery, on the east, which alley is 20 feet wide and 150.1 feet long, be, and the same hereby is, vacated.

Resolved, Further, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and that the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized and directed to acknowledge this resolution and cause the same to be recorded in the Clerk's Office of Wise County, Virginia.

On motion by A. O. Umstead, seconded by Sol Cury and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was passed: #1130

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Norton that the City Manager is authorized to make contributions on group life and group hospital-surgical-medical insurance plan now in effect for employees and dependents; and to make contributions on increased benefits going into effect August 1, 1957, as offered by the Prudential Insurance Co. of America.

Mr. Davis presented a letter from Mr. Hugh Cline asking that Roy E. Bolling be granted permission to sell beer on-off premises at the Park Avenue Grill. #1131

On motion by Fred H. King, seconded by A. O. Umstead and carried by unanimous vote, council authorized the issuance of a license to Roy E. Bolling to sell beer on-off premises at the Park Avenue Grill.

Mr. Davis presented a letter from Mr. Levicki asking that the City require all persons using the athletic field to keep all bottles and glass off field and that all drinks are to be served in paper cups. Matter referred to City Manager. #1132

On motion by A. O. Umstead, seconded by W. R. Hamner and carried by the following votes: Hamner, King, Ball, Umstead - Cury not voting council voted to transfer \$341.00 from the Contingency fund to Account #1103 to pay for the survey expenses for the contraction. #1133

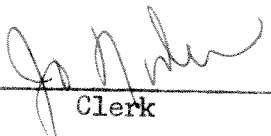
On motion by W. R. Hamner, seconded by Fred H. King and carried by unanimous vote, the recommendation of the City Planning Commission to Rezone Lot 4 Block 95 from B Residential to Local Business was passed. #1134

On motion by W. R. Hamner, seconded by Fred King and carried by unanimous vote, the swimming pool was closed for the season. #1135

Mr. Ball as chairman of the committee to secure a city manager gave his report. #1136

On motion by B. E. Ball, seconded by W. R. Hamner and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Mr. Evan Norton was appointed as City Manager at a salary of \$7500.00 per year and that a total of \$150.00 be paid for transportation in connection with interview and moving expenses and that said employment shall continue at will and pleasure of council. #1137

There being no further business before the council same adjourned.


Clerk

Mayor