

AGENDA

Norton City Council

May 19, 2020

6:00 P.M.

1. Roll Call
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Minutes
 1. Meeting of May 5, 2020
5. Audience for Visitors
6. Public Hearing
 - A. Public Hearing to Receive Public Comments Regarding the Proposed Rural Development Application to Purchase Emergency Vehicles Using a Loan/Grant Package from Rural Development.
 1. Public Hearing
 2. Comments by City Council
 3. Consideration by Council
7. New Business
 - A. Presentation of the Norton City Schools Budget for Fiscal Year 20-21.
 - B. Discussion about the Norton City Schools FY19 Surplus.

- C. Consideration of the Norton City Schools FY19 Financial Encumbrances in the Amount of \$50,963.11.
- D. Update from Norton City Schools Regarding Their FY20 Fiscal Budget and Potential Budget Amendments, If Any.
- E. COVID-19 Update.
- F. Consideration of a Special Use Permit to Allow for Parking on City Right-of-Way.
- G. Request by Daniel C. Swanson to Use the City of Norton's "Woodbooger" Service Mark for the Purpose of a Fictional Story to be Entered into a Writing Contest.
- H. Request to Amend the City's FY20 Fiscal Budget to Include Financial Encumbrances in the Amount of \$72,295 for the Year Ending June 30, 2019.
- I. Resolution Recognizing the City's Law Enforcement Officers.
- J. Confirmation of a Check/Transfer in Excess of \$100,000.
- K. Closed Meeting for Personnel as Per Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia as Amended.
 - 1. Appointment to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for a Four Year Term, Currently Byron Cantrell Whose Term Expires 05/10/20.

To 05/10/24
 - 2. Appointment to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for a Four Year Term, Currently Bryan Lewis Whose Term Expires 05/10/20.

To 05/10/24

3. Nomination to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a Five Year Term, Currently William Hutchinson Whose Term Expires 05/10/20.

To 05/10/25

8. Comments by the City Manager, City Attorney, and City Council.
9. Adjournment.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Norton City Council was held Tuesday, May 5, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Municipal Council Chambers with Mayor Joseph Fawbush presiding.

Present: William Mays, Robert Fultz, Jr., Joseph Fawbush, Mark Caruso, and Delores Belcher

Also Present: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager, and Jeffery Shupe, Finance Director

The invocation was given by Councilman and Pastor Robert Fultz and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Finance Director Jeffery Shupe.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilwoman Belcher, and passed by the following vote: YES – Mays, Fultz, Caruso, Belcher, Fawbush NO – None, ABSENT – None, council moved to adopt the minutes of the April 21, 2020, meeting as presented.

During the Mayor's Call for Visitors, Mr. Al Stecker, 305 Poplar Street, N.W., spoke briefly to council regarding the prolonged closure of a portion of Ridge Avenue due to movement and a bulge in the stone wall that runs along a portion of Ridge Avenue to Craig Street.

Mr. Stecker said the city has studied the Ridge Avenue wall for four years and it is still standing since the original concern was brought to council's attention. He said over the past four years, the city has received the most rainfall to date and has received almost 28 inches of rainfall this year. He noted that the city opened Craig Street last fall to see what impact vehicle traffic would have on the wall and it is still standing. Mr. Stecker stated traffic has increased on Chestnut Street and Poplar Street, and that vehicles use his driveway as a pass through between Craig Street and Poplar Street on a regular basis. He said it is a real inconvenience and frustrating to residents for that portion of Ridge Avenue to be closed to traffic. Mr. Stecker told council the city should have already received the engineer's report on measurements taken in March of this year and that residents would like for council to make a decision on the wall and opening the road.

Ms. Tamara Greear of Rodefer Moss and Company, P.L.L.C., was present to give council copies of the city's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Internal Control Related Report for the year ending June 30, 2019, and to provide an overview of the audit findings.

Ms. Greear advised council that the city received a clean opinion and there were no findings or exceptions to the report. She said the city's internal controls were audited and the report contains two material findings, adding that the bulk of the findings from last year have been corrected. Ms. Greear then provided excerpts from the audit utilizing PowerPoint to give council an overview of the General Operating, Enterprise, Social Services, and Norton City Schools funds. When reviewing the Enterprise Fund, Ms. Greear told council the account showed an increase of funds in the amount of \$269,325 which is indicative of water rate increases and reflects council is working toward a positive net position in the Enterprise Fund. Ms. Greear informed council the city ended the FY19 Budget Year with a total surplus of \$381,314.40 and as June 30th the General Fund's Fund Balance was \$3,154,117. She said overall the city's surplus funds totaled \$603,846, which includes an audited surplus from Norton City Schools in the amount of \$213,304.

Following the overview, Ms. Greear answered a few questions from council members and Mayor Fawbush thanked Ms. Greear for her audit presentation.

The next agenda item was an update on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The city manager updated council with a PowerPoint presentation on the history of COVID-19 in the Commonwealth and locally. He then provided council with a handout that informs how Virginia will move forward with easing public health restrictions, and the Virginia Department of Health's (VDH) number of COVID-19 cases in Virginia. The city manager said the governor wants to continue monitoring to ensure that COVID-19 cases are decreasing in the Commonwealth, hospitals are not becoming overloaded, and there is an increased availability of personal protection equipment (PPE). He said the city's emergency management team continues to participate in conference calls with health authorities and he updated council on citizen payment methods and the "Norton Strong" business loan program. The city manager told council the city is offering a new online payment service for real estate and personal property taxes, and water bills through MuniPay. He noted that during the COVID-19 pandemic citizens will not have to pay the convenience fee to use this service, but once council removes the Emergency Declaration, citizens will be charged a convenience fee if they wish to continue using the online payment service. The city manager then showed council a sample "Norton Strong" banner that was discussed at the previous council meeting. It was the consensus of council to authorize the city manager to purchase two sizes of the banners for various locations downtown.

The city manager then advised council he reached out to Rick Colley, executive director of the Wise County/City of Norton Chamber of Commerce, as previously directed by council and discussed the possibility of joining a portion of the activities from the Best Friend Festival (BFF) with the fireworks display. Mr. Colley said the BFF Committee believes they can provide some activities for the Fourth, but they are concerned at this point about securing vendors and volunteers. After a lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of council to move forward with planning the BFF activities and the Independence Day fireworks display for July 3rd – 4th, with a possible rain date of July 5th.

Mr. Ramey said city administration applied last year for a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (USDA/RD) to purchase two emergency vehicles for the police department. He said the city has been awarded a 50/50 loan/grant package from USDA/RD that will assist in purchasing the vehicles but a public hearing is required before loan approval. Mr. Ramey asked council's authorization to advertise the required public hearing at the May 19th meeting.

It was the consensus of council to authorize the city manager to advertise a public hearing for the May 19th meeting to purchase two emergency vehicles for the police department using a 50/50 loan/grant package from the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development.

Council had been presented with a Code of Conduct related to loan/grant package from United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (USDA/RD).

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Belcher, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, council moved to adopt the Code of Conduct related loan/grant from USDA/RD for purchase of emergency vehicles.

Included in packets for council consideration was a transfer to Norton City Schools, dated April 24, 2020, in the amount of \$200,000.00 to cover April payroll expenditures.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilman Caruso, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, council moved to confirm the transfer to Norton City Schools, as stated above.

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Belcher, seconded by Councilman Caruso, and passed by the following roll call vote: YES – Mays, Fultz, Fawbush, Caruso, and Belcher, NO – None, ABSENT – None, council moved to go into closed meeting for Personnel as per Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

Mayor Fawbush declared council in closed meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilman Caruso, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by unanimous vote, council moved to go back into open meeting.

Mayor Fawbush declared council back in open meeting.

The clerk polled each member of council as to the Certification of Closed Meeting with each answering yes. The clerk then read a Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilman Caruso, seconded by Councilwoman Belcher, and passed by unanimous vote, council moved to adopt A Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting. (Insert)

Mayor Fawbush opened the floor for nominations to the Wise County/City of Norton Youth Services Board for a four-year term to expire May 2, 2024.

Councilman Mays nominated Robert Fultz, Jr., to be reappointed to the Wise County/City of Norton Youth Services Board for a four-year term to expire May 2, 2024.

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Belcher, seconded by Councilman Caruso, and passed by unanimous vote, council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Fawbush declared Robert Fultz, Jr., to be reappointed to the Wise County/City of Norton Youth Services Board for a four-year term to expire May 2, 2024.

Mayor Fawbush opened the floor for nominations of a student representative to the Wise County/City of Norton Youth Services Board for a four-year term to expire May 2, 2024.

Councilman Fultz nominated Shamiyeh Noel to be appointed as a student representative to the Wise County/City of Norton Youth Services Board for a four-year term to expire May 2, 2024.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilwoman Belcher, and passed by unanimous vote, council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Fawbush declared Shamiyeh Noel to be appointed as a student representative to the Wise County/City of Norton Youth Services Board for a four-year term to expire May 2, 2024.

At this time, Mayor Fawbush turned the meeting over to Vice Mayor Caruso.

Vice Mayor Caruso opened the floor for nominations to the Coeburn-Norton-Wise (C-N-W) Regional Wastewater Authority for a four-year term to expire May 15, 2024.

Councilman Fultz nominated Joseph Fawbush to be reappointed to the C-N-W Regional Wastewater Authority for a four-year term to expire May 15, 2024.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mays, seconded by Councilwoman Belcher, and passed by the following vote, YES – Mays, Fultz, Belcher, Caruso, NO – None, Absent – None, ABSTAIN – Fawbush, council moved that the nominations cease.

Vice Mayor Caruso declared Joseph Fawbush to be reappointed to the C-N-W Regional Wastewater Authority for a four-year term to expire May 15, 2024.

Vice Mayor Caruso turned the meeting back over to Mayor Fawbush.

Mayor Fawbush asked for nominations to the 2020 Virginia Municipal League Policy Committee.

Councilwoman Belcher nominated the list of candidates as recommended by the city manager to the 2020 Virginia Municipal League Policy Committee. The list included: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., - Community and Economic Development Committee; Andrew Greear – Environmental Quality Committee; Jeff Shupe – Finance Committee; William Bradshaw – General Laws Committee; Gina Wohlford – Human Development and Education Committee; and Steve McElroy – Transportation Committee.

Upon a motion by Councilman Caruso, seconded by Councilman Fultz, and passed by unanimous vote, council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Fawbush declared the list of candidates recommended by the city manager, as noted above, to be reappointed to the 2020 Virginia Municipal League Policy Committee.

In comments from the city manager:

Mr. Ramey said he and Mayor Fawbush met with Norton Community Hospital (NCH) representatives to discuss a local action the city could take to aid the hospital in recovering more funding from the Medicaid Supplemental Payment Program. Mr. Ramey said the city attorney is currently reviewing the request, and if approved, Mark Leonard Norton Community Hospital Chief Executive Officer will present a formal request to council and provide an overview of the entire program. Mr. Ramey said NCH may want to change the rate and the deadline is June 30th.

Mr. Ramey informed council the city's Blasting Ordinance may need to be modified or the blasting requirement removed completely for Project Intersection to move forward. He said the current blasting regulations are outdated but council may want to keep the mining restrictions.

Mr. Ramey said Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has begun milling and paving Route 74.

He told council that Norton City Schools plan to present the FY21 Budget at the May 19th meeting.

Mr. Ramey said he expects the contractor for the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (PSAP) Grant to begin working downtown within the next two weeks.

He also said the Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Highwall Removal Project is anticipated to start soon.

Mr. Ramey told council he provided members with copies of the latest monthly financials and reminded members of council's workshop scheduled at 9:00 a.m., Saturday, May 23rd.

The following comments were made by council members:

Councilman Caruso asked the city manager when the engineer would provide the information on the Ridge Avenue stacked stone wall.

Mr. Ramey said he requested the information the middle of April and he expects to receive it any time.

Councilman Caruso said the Leadership Team Meeting between the city and school system is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6th.

Mayor Fawbush said the city received the official Resolution of Support adopted by the city council of the City of Alexandria and a letter from Alexandria Mayor Justin Wilson.

Mayor Fawbush shared with council that there will be a Leadership Team Meeting Wednesday, May 6th, Norton City Schools will present the FY21 Budget May 19th, council will have a budget work session Saturday, May 23rd, and council has meetings scheduled June 2nd, June 16th, and June 30th.

There being no further business to come before council, Mayor Fawbush declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA

Joseph Fawbush, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rebecca K. Coffey, Clerk of Council



May 5, 2020

Notice of Public Hearing

The City of Norton hereby provides notice that an application for funding has been filed with USDA, Rural Development for funding of a proposed loan/grant to purchase emergency vehicles. A public hearing on the proposed project will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 6:00 pm. Anyone requesting information on this project or to offer comments should attend this meeting, which will be held in the City Council Chambers located at 618 Virginia Avenue NW, Norton, VA 24273.

Fred L. Ramey, Jr.

City Manager

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

To the Coalfield: Please advertise in the Coalfield Progress on Friday, May 8th and Tuesday, May 12th.

Position 5

USDA
Form RD 1942-47
(Rev. 12-97)

LOAN RESOLUTION
(Public Bodies)

FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 0575-0015

A RESOLUTION OF THE City Council
OF THE Norton, City of
AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE INCURRENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING
A PORTION OF THE COST OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, ENLARGING, IMPROVING, AND/OR EXTENDING ITS
2020 DCI Police Vehicles
FACILITY TO SERVE AN AREA LAWFULLY WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION TO SERVE.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Norton, City of
(Public Body)
(herein after called Association) to raise a portion of the cost of such undertaking by issuance of its bonds in the principal amount of
42,000.00

pursuant to the provisions of Va Code, Letter of Conditions and Closing Instructions; and

WHEREAS, the Association intends to obtain assistance from the Rural Housing Service, Rural Business - Cooperative Service, Rural Utilities Service, or their successor Agencies with the United States Department of Agriculture, (herein called the Government) acting under the provisions of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.) in the planning, financing, and supervision of such undertaking and the purchasing of bonds lawfully issued, in the event that no other acceptable purchaser for such bonds is found by the Association:

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the premises the Association hereby resolves:

1. To have prepared on its behalf and to adopt an ordinance or resolution for the issuance of its bonds containing such items and in such forms as are required by State statutes and as are agreeable and acceptable to the Government.
2. To refinance the unpaid balance, in whole or in part, of its bonds upon the request of the Government if at any time it shall appear to the Government that the Association is able to refinance its bonds by obtaining a loan for such purposes from responsible cooperative or private sources at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time as required by section 333(c) of said Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U. S. C. 1983 (c)).
3. To provide for, execute, and comply with Form RD 400-4, "Assurance Agreement," and Form RD 400-1, "Equal Opportunity Agreement," including an "Equal Opportunity Clause," which clause is to be incorporated in, or attached as a rider to, each construction contract and subcontract involving in excess of \$ 10,000.
4. To indemnify the Government for any payments made or losses suffered by the Government on behalf of the Association. Such indemnification shall be payable from the same source of funds pledged to pay the bonds or any other legal permissible source.
5. That upon default in the payments of any principal and accrued interest on the bonds or in the performance of any covenant or agreement contained herein or in the instruments incident to making or insuring the loan, the Government at its option may (a) declare the entire principal amount then outstanding and accrued interest immediately due and payable, (b) for the account of the Association (payable from the source of funds pledged to pay the bonds or any other legally permissible source), incur and pay reasonable expenses for repair, maintenance, and operation of the facility and such other reasonable expenses as may be necessary to cure the cause of default, and/or (c) take possession of the facility, repair, maintain, and operate or rent it. Default under the provisions of this resolution or any instrument incident to the making or insuring of the loan may be construed by the Government to constitute default under any other instrument held by the Government and executed or assumed by the Association, and default under any such instrument may be construed by the Government to constitute default hereunder.
6. Not to sell, transfer, lease, or otherwise encumber the facility or any portion thereof, or interest therein, or permit others to do so without the prior written consent of the Government.
7. Not to defease the bonds, or to borrow money, enter into any contract or agreement, or otherwise incur any liabilities for any purpose in connection with the facility (exclusive of normal maintenance) without the prior written consent of the Government if such undertaking would involve the source of funds pledged to pay the bonds.
8. To place the proceeds of the bonds on deposit in an account and in a manner approved by the Government. Funds may be deposited in institutions insured by the State or Federal Government or invested in readily marketable securities backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. Any income from these accounts will be considered as revenues of the system.
9. To comply with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations and to continually operate and maintain the facility in good condition.
10. To provide for the receipt of adequate revenues to meet the requirements of debt service, operation and maintenance, and the establishment of adequate reserves. Revenue accumulated over and above that needed to pay operating and maintenance, debt service and reserves may only be retained or used to make prepayments on the loan. Revenue cannot be used to pay any expenses which are not directly incurred for the facility financed by the Government. No free service or use of the facility will be permitted.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0575-0015. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

- 11. To acquire and maintain such insurance and fidelity bond coverage as may be required by the Government.
- 12. To establish and maintain such books and records relating to the operation of the facility and its financial affairs and to provide for required audit thereof as required by the Government, to provide the Government a copy of each such audit without its request, and to forward to the Government such additional information and reports as it may from time to time require.
- 13. To provide the Government at all reasonable times access to all books and records relating to the facility and access to the property of the system so that the Government may ascertain that the Association is complying with the provisions hereof and of the instruments incident to the making or insuring of the loan.
- 14. That if the Government requires that a reserve account be established and maintained, disbursements from that account may be used when necessary for payments due on the bond if sufficient funds are not otherwise available. With the prior written approval of the Government, funds may be withdrawn for:
 - (a) Paying the cost of repairing or replacing any damage to the facility caused by catastrophe.
 - (b) Repairing or replacing short-lived assets.
 - (c) Making extensions or improvements to the facility.
 Any time funds are disbursed from the reserve account, additional deposits will be required until the reserve account has reached the required funded level.
- 15. To provide adequate service to all persons within the service area who can feasibly and legally be served and to obtain the Government's concurrence prior to refusing new or adequate services to such persons. Upon failure to provide services which are feasible and legal, such person shall have a direct right of action against the Association or public body.
- 16. To comply with the measures identified in the Government's environmental impact analysis for this facility for the purpose of avoiding or reducing the adverse environmental impacts of the facility's construction or operation.

17. To accept a grant in an amount not to exceed \$ 50,000

under the terms offered by the Government; that the City Manager

and _____ of the Association are hereby authorized and empowered to take all action necessary or appropriate in the execution of all written instruments as may be required in regard to or as evidence of such grant; and to operate the facility under the terms offered in said grant agreement(s).

The provisions hereof and the provisions of all instruments incident to the making or the insuring of the loan, unless otherwise specifically provided by the terms of such instrument, shall be binding upon the Association as long as the bonds are held or insured by the Government or assignee. The provisions of sections 6 through 17 hereof may be provided for in more specific detail in the bond resolution or ordinance; to the extent that the provisions contained in such bond resolution or ordinance should be found to be inconsistent with the provisions hereof, these provisions shall be construed as controlling between the Association and the Government or assignee

The vote was: Yeas _____ Nays _____ Absent _____.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City Council of the

Norton, City of has duly adopted this resolution and caused it

to be executed by the officers below in duplicate on this _____ day of _____, _____.

(SEAL)

By Fred Ramey

Attest:

Title _____

_____ Title

CERTIFICATION TO BE EXECUTED AT LOAN CLOSING

I, the undersigned, as _____ of the Norton, City of _____
 hereby certify that the City Council _____ of such Association is composed of
 _____ members, of whom _____, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting thereof duly called and
 held on the _____ day of _____, _____; and that the foregoing resolution was adopted at such meeting
 by the vote shown above. I further certify that as of _____, the date of closing of the loan from the Government, said resolution
 remains in effect and has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated, this _____ day of _____, _____.

 Title _____

City of Norton



Inter-Office Memo

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager *FR*
CC:
Date: May 15, 2020
Re: NCS Fiscal Budget for FY21

Norton City School Board Chairman Cody McElroy and Superintendent Gina Wohlford will present the proposed 2020-21 fiscal budget for the Norton City Schools.

Thank You.

SCHOOL BOARD

Cody McElroy, Chairperson
 Dr. Wes Campbell, Vice-Chairperson
 Sherry Adams
 Carol Caruso
 Mark Leonard



DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT
 Dr. Gina J. Wohlford
 gwohlford@nortoncityschools.org
 Phone 276.679.2330
 Fax 276.679.4315

May 12, 2020

Mr. Fred L. Ramey, Jr.
 City Manager
 618 Virginia Ave., NW
 Norton, VA 24273

Re: Norton City Schools Supplemental Appropriation of prior year unencumbered surplus and Budget Amendment for the 2019/2020 School Year

Mr. Ramey:

The Norton City School Board requests a supplemental local appropriation in the following amount:

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| Fund 001 – General Operating Fund 2018-2019 Unencumbered Surplus | \$156,000 |
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The Norton City School board requested a budget amendment in the following amounts:

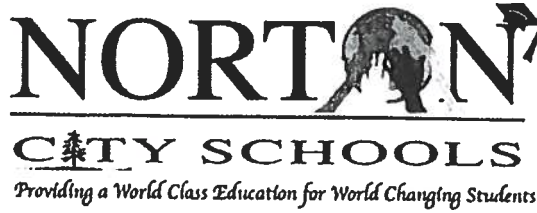
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| Fund 001- General Operating Fund Revenue | \$156,000 |
| Expenditures | \$156,000 |

Please contact me if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gina J. Wohlford
 Superintendent

SCHOOL BOARD
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May 11, 2020

Mr. Fred L. Ramey, Jr.
City Manager
618 Virginia Ave., NW
Norton, VA 24273

Re: 2019-2020 Supplemental Appropriation Request

Mr. Ramey:

The Norton City School Board requests a supplemental appropriation in the following amount:

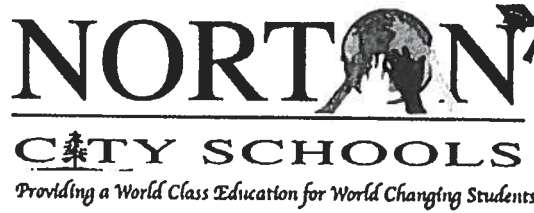
Fund 001-General Operating Fund
2018-2019 Local Carryover Funds (Encumbered Amount) \$ 50,963.11
Please contact me if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gina J. Wohlford
Superintendent

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May 11, 2020

Mr. Fred L. Ramey, Jr.
 City Manager
 618 Virginia Ave., NW
 Norton, VA 24273

Re: Norton City Schools Supplemental Appropriation and Budget Amendment for the 2019/2020 School Year

Mr. Ramey:

The Norton City School board requests a budget amendment in the following amounts:

Fund 001-General Operating Fund

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| State Revenue | \$ -6,289 |
| Local Revenue | \$ -3,320 |

Fund 008 – Textbook Fund

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|---------------|--------|
| State Revenue | \$ 365 |
| Local Revenue | \$ 38 |

Please contact me if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gina J. Wohlford
 Superintendent

City of Norton

Inter-Office Memo

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., City Manager *FR*
CC:
Date: May 15, 2020
Re: Special Use Permit

City resident, Meghan Dennehy, is requesting permission to use a paper street beside her residence located at 400 Hagan Avenue NW. I will provide City Council with a formal overview of the request.

Thank You.

15514 Branch Street
Abingdon, VA 24210
May 11, 2020

Mr. Fred L. Ramey, Jr.
City Manager
City of Norton
618 Virginia Avenue NW
P. O. Box 618
Norton, VA 24273

Dear Mr. Ramey:

I am writing to request the permission of the City of Norton to use the Woodbooger name in a story. The story would be written as a fictional story. The places in the story would real including the City of Norton, Flag Rock, the Woodbooger Inn, etc. However, all of the characters would be fictional.

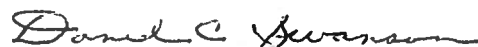
I am writing the story as my entry in the 2020 Golden Nib Contest sponsored by the Virginia Writers Club. Each year writers across the Commonwealth of Virginia compete through one of ten local chapters in the contest. The local chapter in Southwest Virginia is the Appalachian Authors Guild. Winners in poetry, non-fiction, and fiction are chosen by each chapter, and the winners compete for the statewide prize.

In 2018, my non-fiction entry on growing up in Norton and Wise County won the Second Place Award from the Virginia Writers Club.

The plot of the story will be to explore the woodbooger story through the eyes of an investigative reporter from a regional newspaper with a goal of determining if the woodbooger is real or just a legend. In the end, the reporter concludes that the woodbooger could help turn around the local economy, battered by the collapse of the coal industry and now the virus, through growth in the tourism industry.

Please indicate your approval of this use of the woodbooger name at your earliest convenience. If my story is a success, I will be happy to share copies with members of City of Norton Government and City Council.

Sincerely,



Daniel C. Swanson

SwansonDanC@aol.com

(276) 608-1095

Email

Cell

| Encumbrances 30-Jun-19 | | |
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| Description (Vendor) | <u>Amount</u> | |
| Fireworks Display (Pyrotecnico) | \$ 11,000 | Parks and Recreation |
| General Reassessment (Pearson's Appraisal Services) | \$ 38,475 | Data Processing |
| Traffic Camera Replacements (Rucharldson-Wayland) | \$ 9,542 | Traffic Control |
| TurnOut Gear (NAFECO) | \$ 13,278 | Fire Safety Equipment |
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| Total | <u>\$ 72,295</u> | |

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, thousands of dedicated law enforcement officers daily serve the citizens of the United States by answering calls for serve and providing the appropriate assistance as quickly as possible; and

WHEREAS, the critical functions performed by professional law enforcement officers directly affect the lives and property of the public and assist in the safety of not only the public but other first responders such as firefighters and paramedics as they respond to the emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norton Police Officers answered 8,424 – 911 and non-emergency calls and assisted Norton fire and rescue on 1,425 calls; in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, has proclaimed May 15, 2020, as Peace Officers Memorial Day and May 10 through May 16, 2020, as Police Week.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Norton City Council does hereby join communities across the nation in honoring and recognizing our Law Enforcement Officers and the vital contributions they make to ensure the safety of our citizens.

ADOPTED this 19th day of May, 2020.

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA

Joseph Fawbush, Mayor

ATTEST

Rebecca K, Coffey, Clerk

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| INV. DATE | INVOICE# | S/L ACCT.# | GROSS AMOUNT | DIED. AMOUNT | NET AMOUNT |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| 4/14/2020 | ADMIN FY | 40-020-11000-3008 | 13,950.00 | .00 | 13,950.00 |
| 4/13/2020 | PAYROLL 7 | 0-020-00020-2115 | 89,239.79 | .00 | 89,239.79 |
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GENERAL OPERATING FUND
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109 THOUSAND 189 DOLLARS 79 CENTS

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NORTON

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