The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, August 16, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Raines presiding.

Present: Roy Roberts, Jack Wallace, William Mays, Ron McCall, and Robert Raines

Also Present: E. W. Ward, City Manager and Joe Pippin, City Attorney

Prior to the invocation by Dr. Miller Liston, Mayor Raines called for a moment of silence in the memory of Mr. Bob Collins, a former Councilman, who recently died. The Pledge of Allegiance was then led by Assistant City Manager Fred Ramey.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the August 2, 1994 meeting as presented.

Mayor Raines announced an amendment to the Agenda under Item 6-C Executive Session. The addition is being made of Actual or Probable Litigation as per 2.1-344(A) (7) of the Code of Virginia as amended.

During the Audience for Visitors, Mrs. Clella Minor, 320 - 11th Street, N. W., appeared before Council asking for another guard rail to be installed on Ridge Avenue behind her house as she has had a car come over on her home for the third time. She further asked that the City keep the ditchlines cleaned out to keep the runoff from coming down on her property.

Mayor Raines advised the item of the guard rail would be given to the Highway Safety Commission for their review.

Council had in their packets copies of all the documents that pertain to the Community Development Block Grant, Planning Grant; and the Micro Enterprise Grant.

Mr. Ward went over each of these grants advising the amounts and what would be done with each. On the Community Development Block Grant, the City will be asking the Wise County Housing and Redevelopment Authority to manage the housing aspect of this grant inasmuch as the City of Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority does not have the certification to handle this type of grant. Mr. Ward will check with Mr. Charles McConnell to see if they will handle this.

Mr. Ward advised Ms. Wealthy Soni was present to discuss the Micro Enterprise Grant and answer any questions of Council. Mrs. Soni advised Council that Russell County had signed the agreement at their last meeting.

Following a discussion and upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by the following roll call vote: Roberts - NO, Wallace, Mays, McCall, and Raines - YES, Council authorized the City Manager to execute the documents for the Micro Enterprise Grant.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to appoint the City Manager to the Over Sight Committee for a one year term.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents for the Community Development Block Grant. Mr. Ward is also to check with the Wise County Redevelopment and Housing Authority to see if they will do the housing aspect of this grant.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary documents on this grant.

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Council had in their packets copy of a check made payable to the Norton City Schools in the amount of \$100,000.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a check in the amount of \$100,000 made payable to the Norton City Schools.

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Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel as per 2.1-344(A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended and Actual or Probable Litigation as per 2.1-344(A) (7) of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

Mayor Raines declared the meeting in Executive Session.

17004

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session.

Mayor Raines declared the meeting back in regular session.

17005

The Clerk polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Executive Meeting with each answering aye. The Clerk then read the entire Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting. Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting. (Insert)

17006

Mayor Raines advised no action had been taken on actual or probable litigation or on the appointment to the Norton Industrial Development Authority for Mr. Byron Cantrell's term.

17007

Mayor Raines opened the floor for nominations to the Head Start Board for a three year term which will expire on May 31, 1997.

William Mays nominated Mrs. Grace Livingston.

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Raines declared Mrs. Grace Livingston appointed to the Head Start Board for a three year term which will expire on May 31, 1997.

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In his comments, the City Manager advised that the annual sidewalk rehabilitation was in progress with work being done on 9th, 10th, and 11th Streets and will be ongoing in residential and commercial areas. A progress report will be given to Council at a later date.

17009

Mayor Raines advised Vice Mayor Mays that the Rescue Squad had done a good job on the Centennial Car Show.

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

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA

B. Robert Raines, Mayor

ATTEST:

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