

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Norton City Council was held on February 2, 1988 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Daniels presiding.

Present: Cliff Daniels, Roy Roberts, Jack Wallace, Robert Raines, and William Mays

Also Present: C. R. Brown, City Manager, and Kenneth Asbury, City Attorney

The invocation was given by Rev. William Watson which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Councilman William Mays.

The Mayor advised there would be one modification to the agenda. Under the item of New Business, there will be an Item F - Executive Session to Discuss Legal as Per 2.1-344 (A) (6) of the Code of Virginia added to the agenda. 14034

Upon a motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the minutes of the January 19, 1988 meeting be approved as presented. 14035

Mayor Daniels recognized Mr. Jon Rockett, Chairman of the City of Norton Planning Commission during his call for visitors. Mr. Rockett thanked Council for attending the work session with the Planning Commission recently on off-street parking. He further advised that the Commission had some recommendations to make to Council and that he, Mr. Brown, and the City Attorney would work together on these recommendations. 14036

The City Manager advised he hoped to have everything ready in order to have the public hearing at the March 1, 1988 meeting.

The City Manager advised that as of Friday afternoon, January 29, 1988, we had a total of 122.9 million gallons of water out of a possible total of 124 million gallons in the reservoirs and that today, February 2, 1988, by 1:00 p.m., we had received over one inch of rain. 14037

The City Manager advised that the Norton City Council and he had been invited to tour both J. I. Burton High School and the Norton Elementary School by the Norton School Board and Superintendent Armentrout. This tour is to be February 4, 1988 and everyone will meet at the high school at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Brown advised this would be an excellent opportunity to look at restoration that has been done as well as restoration that still needs to be done. 14038

Council agreed to the date and time for this tour.

Council was presented with A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for A Virginia Shelter Grant.

Mr. Brown advised that the Hope House had sent in a preliminary grant request which was tentatively approved by the State with the understanding that the City of Norton would come forth as the fiscal agent and responsible agency to apply for this grant. The money is there and upon passage of this resolution, the money will be sent to the City to be forwarded to the Hope House in increments and the recording procedures will be done by the Finance Director and sent back to the State. Mr. Brown further advised there would be no local dollars involved.

The City Manager recommended passage of this resolution. 14039

After a brief discussion and upon a motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for a Virginia Shelter Grant. (Insert)

The Mayor advised the City Manager that in the future someone should make a short presentation to the Council from the requesting agency or organization.

Council had been presented with A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton Proposing to Renumber A Section of Route 58A to Route 74.

Mr. Brown advised he had been working with Mr. Leland Branham, Resident Engineer of the Wise District of the Department of Transportation regarding this section of highway.

This recommendation was made by Mr. Branham and if passed, the loop of 74 will run from Druthers to the underpass at the City limits in Ramsey.

After passage, Mr. Branham wants to take this resolution to the Wise County Board of Supervisors as they must consider those sections of the streets that have been amended and rebuilt in the County.

After a brief discussion and upon a motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton Proposing to Renumber A Section of Route 58A to Route 74. (Insert)

14040

The City Manager advised that the Norton Rescue Squad had submitted a request for renewal of their Bingo and Raffle Permit and requested a waiver of the permit fee.

Councilman William Mays advised that he was President of the Norton Rescue Squad, declared a conflict of interest, and advised that he would not participate in the discussion or vote on this item.

The City Manager advised that he recommended the renewal of this permit with the waiver of fee.

14041

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council granted the request of the Norton Rescue Squad for the renewal of their Bingo and Raffle Permit waivering the permit fee for a one year period.

Upon a motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters as per 2.1-344 (A) (6) of the Code of Virginia. Mayor Daniels declared the meeting in Executive Session.

14042

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session. Mayor Daniels declared the meeting back in regular session and had no comments as to legal matters.

There were no comments by the City Manager, the City Attorney, or Council.

14043

Mayor Daniels reminded Council of the tours of the schools to be held Thursday, February 4, 1988, at 7:00 p.m. beginning at the J. I. Burton High School.

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

Cliff Daniels

 Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary J. Brown

 Clerk