

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on March 1, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Fulks presiding.

Present: Ike Fulks, W.F. McElroy, George Hunnicutt, V.O. Flanary, W.C. Necessary

Also Present: Jim Vicars, City Manager

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. John Turner, District Engineer for the Virginia Department of Highways accompanied by Mr. Jim Brown of the Paramount Land Company appeared before council requesting council to endorse the proposed breaking of the limited access line of U.S. 23 in the vicinity of Esserville to allow access to the Paramount Industrial Properties. This matter was discussed in detail by the council.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Bill Necessary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved to endorse the proposed breaking of the limited access line of U.S. 23 in the vicinity of Esserville to allow access to the Paramount Industrial Properties.

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Mrs. Carl Lawson appeared before council inquiring as to reason Carl Lawson and Doc Burton did not receive overtime pay the same as other employees. She was advised that matter was to be discussed later in meeting.

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The City Manager advised council that the Commissioner of Revenue had advised that the State Department of Taxation had advised of their willingness to do the reassessment and reappraisal for the City of Norton.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Vernon Flanary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that accept recommendation of Commissioner of Revenue and authorize State Personnel to do the necessary reappraisal and reassessment for City of Norton.

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The City Manager presented petitions for improvement in Josephine Water System. Matter tabled until further recommendations by City Manager.

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Mr. Joe O'Brien, County Administrator, was present and presented to council status of Regional Water System. Council advised Mr. O'Brien that the city committee would go along with them and report back to council meeting.

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On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Bill Necessary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved adoption second reading amending Subdivision and Zoning Ordinance for City of Norton.

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The City Manager reported on status of Community Development Discretionary Grant Program. Tentative approval of the city application was received for two (2) of the five (5) projects.

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The City Manager presented Revenue Sharing Report and asked that council set a public hearing date.

Council agreed to have public hearing on April 5, 1977 at 7:30 P.M.

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The City Manager advised council of water situation of the city. Council inquired as to problem they were having on Beech Street with residences not being able to receive water. Council instructed the City Manager to have this matter looked into and taken care of.

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City Manager discussed briefly with council winter costs.

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Council discussed payment of overtime to three salaried employees. The City Manager was instructed to talk with these three men and work out a satisfactory payment and come back to council with a definite figure.

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The City Manager advised that the City Attorney was in Richmond and unable to have a report for council.

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The City Manager presented letter from Mr. Russell of PGR Enterprises. On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Vernon Flanary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Necessary, Yes) council moved that the City Manager be authorized and directed to write letter to Mr. Russell in reply to letter of February 21, 1977 and ask that Mr. Russell provide us information previously requested by Mr. Franks; namely audited financial statements from time of \$5.00 to \$6.00 per month to date such as pertains to his business in the City of Norton or to his overall business if not separable and in accordance with the direction of the Attorney General of Virginia so that the City Council can make a determination as to his need for increase in his rates.

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Vice Mayor McElroy presented resolution passed by City Council commending Miss Jo Nosler for forty years of continuous service with the City of Norton.

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There being no further business to come before council same adjourned.

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