

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on February 16, 1971 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

Present: V. O. Flanary, Robert Leonard, Ike Fultz, Archie Woods, C. W. Bryant

Also Present: Evan Norton, City Manager

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Don Farmer, Chairman of Bd. of Deacons, First Baptist Church, presented the following proposal: Because of our concern for the spiritual, the social, the moral, and the economic well being of our community, the people of the First Baptist Church of Norton in Regular Business session February 14, 1971, instructed its Trustees to offer to this city a lease agreement on the lot at 928 Park Avenue for the purpose of the use as a city parking lot. The lease to be for one dollar a year with a ninety day termination clause. 5526

On motion by Robert Leonard, seconded by Ike Fultz and carried by unanimous vote council moved that the City Manager be instructed to get together with the Trustees of the First Baptist Church to form a lease agreement and bring back to council for their approval.

Mayor Flanary announced that council would now hear from persons regarding sale of beer on Sunday. The following people spoke against the sale of beer on Sunday: Rev. Burgess, Grace Flanary, Rev. Billie Stover, Rev. Keith Auvil, Andrew Johnston, Ann Cox, Jim Campbell, Hoke Horne, Rev. Gregg, Miss Auvil, E. O. Breeding, Morris Burchette, Sam Neeley, Lonnie Jones, Rev. Ramey, Mrs. Noah Thacker, Billie Barton. Those persons speaking for sale of beer on Sunday: W. H. Hunnicutt, Woody Conner, Rev. John Krulis, Paul Bullion, Don Pippin, Jimmie Hatfield. 5527

Before vote was taken, Councilman Fultz, stated that previously he had not studied both sides of the issue. But after much consideration and study of both sides of the issue he felt he should change his vote.

The following motion was read on second reading with the following votes:

All properly licensed establishments in the City of Norton shall be permitted to open and sell beer on Sundays from 1 P. M. until 12 o'clock midnight; permission to sell same on and off premises; all present ordinances of the City of Norton pertaining to the sale of beer shall be applicable to the sale thereof on Sunday.

C. W. Bryant • No  
Ike Fultz • No  
V. O. Flanary • No  
Robert Leonard • Yes  
Archie Woods • Yes

Jimmy Hatfield suggested that one of the councilmen make a motion granting permission to sell beer off premise on Sunday. Died for lack of motion. 5528

Mr. Norton discussed with Council the status of the following: Flag Rock Project, EDA Water Project, Public Housing Project: Operation Townlift. 5529

Mrs. Norton introduced Mr. Jim Curley, Architect from HUD Office for Neighborhood Facilities Project. Mr. Norton advised that Mr. Curley was here to work with Mr. Charles McElroy, Architect, in finalizing the city's re-application for the approved grant. 5530

Mr. Norton advised that the city should formalize a contract with architect, Charles McElroy, for Neighborhood Facilities Project. Council instructed Mr. Norton to get with City Attorney and Mr. McElroy and have a contract prepared with architect, Charles McElroy. 55 31

Council discussed briefly monthly financial report for January. 55 32

Mr. Norton advised there was Operation Townlift meetings scheduled for February 28th and March 7th. He advised that the night meeting had not been re-scheduled as of this date. 55 33

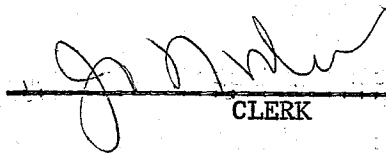
Mr. Norton advised they were in process of beginning the paving schedule. 55 34

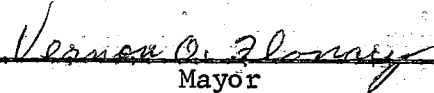
Councilman Fultz stated he would like to have a survey made of water and sewer availability to people not already on sewer and water. Mr. Norton advised this survey was in process. 55 35

Attorney Stump suggested that City Manager write a letter to Division of Motor Vehicles to see why City of Norton was left off registration cards. 55 36

Charlie Daniels spoke to council regarding upgrading of license fees and also another look should be taken of tax structure. Council discussed this matter briefly. 55 37

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

  
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 Mayor