

May 21, 1963

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room at 7:30 P.M., May 21, 1963 with Mayor B.E. Ball presiding.

Present: B.E. Ball, A.O. Umstead, J.C. Holcomb, Archie Woods, J.B. Taggart.

Also Present: C.F. Jester, Jr., City Manager & R.T. Winston, Attorney

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Jester presented to council a retaining wall agreement for their #2412 consideration and discussion. After a brief discussion council instructed the City Manager to make an estimate of the cost of the wall at the Dr. Phillips and Tate McClung properties and the one in front of Bill Witt and Bruce Fraley properties on Chestnut Street, and report back to council at its next meeting.

Mr. Jester and Mr. Winston presented their findings on the right of way #2413 to Isaac Apartments in front of the Howze residence. After discussion of the matter, council instructed the City Manager to keep the alley to the Isaac Apartments in a satisfactory condition.

Mr. Taggart as chairman of delinquent tax committee outlined to council #2414 the delinquent tax collection system.

On motion by J.B. Taggart, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council moved that this delinquent tax program and delinquent accounts receivable be adopted and that the City Officials pursue this program avidly and without delay.

On motion by J.B. Taggart, seconded by Archie Woods and carried by #2415 unanimous roll call vote, council passed a resolution accepting the \$210,000 grant from Community Facilities Administration.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTON:

WHEREAS, there has been filed with the Government in behalf of CITY OF NORTON (herein called the Applicant) an application, Project Number APW-VA-6G, dated November 20, 1962, for Federal assistance under the Public Works Acceleration Act, Public Law 87-658, and the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting by and through the Regional Director of Community Facilities has transmitted to the Applicant for acceptance a Grant Offer dated May 4, 1963 of Federal assistance in connection with the Project referred to in said application and described in said Offer; and

WHEREAS, said Grant Offer has been fully considered in accordance with all pertinent rules of procedure and legal requirements, and made a part of the Applicant's public records; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable and in the public interest that said Grant Offer be accepted;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by CITY OF NORTON that the said Grant Offer, a true and correct copy of which, including the Special Conditions and the Terms and Conditions, is hereto attached, be and the same hereby is accepted without reservation or qualification, and the Applicant agrees to comply with the provisions thereof.

On motion by J.C. Holcomb, seconded by Archie Woods and carried by #2416 unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution regarding flood control was passed:

Whereas, during recent months various sections of Norton have been subjected to serious damage from flood waters, with resulting economic loss to our citizens and to our community;

Whereas, it is the belief of this Council that immediate steps should be taken to reduce the danger and likelihood of similar future occurrences;

Whereas, representatives of the Tennessee Valley Authority have offered the services, help, assistance, and guidance of the Authority in a program of flood control and water resource development;

Whereas, it is the belief of this Council that such services, help, assistance, and guidance would be of inestimable value to Norton now and in the future;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Tennessee Valley Authority be and it is hereby respectfully requested and invited to advise and assist this area in such manner as may be deemed advisable in the development and pursuit of a flood control and water resource development program;

Whereas, the Tennessee Valley Authority conducts a program for resource development in tributary areas of Tennessee Valley as a part of TVA's Valley-Wide comprehensive, unified resource development activities in subareas of the Tennessee Valley for the purpose of advancing economic growth through full use and development of all available resources, including research, demonstration, and development activities;

Whereas, Norton is located on tributaries of the Tennessee Valley and whereas, we strongly believe that the Tributary Area Development Program of Tennessee Valley Authority would greatly enhance the economic growth and development of this area;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Tennessee Valley Authority be and it is, hereby respectfully requested and invited to advise and assist this area under the aforesaid Tributary Area Development Program;

Whereas, the governing bodies of Lee, Scott, and Wise Counties and the City of Norton have jointly established the Lee-Norton-Scott-Wise Redevelopment Authority to handle problems of area redevelopment and resource use;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Lee-Norton-Scott-Wise Redevelopment Authority is hereby designated as the temporary official body to assist in the initiation of this program;

Whereas, it will be necessary that the cooperation of a number of State agencies be obtained in order to properly develop program;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Albert S. Harrison, Governor of Virginia, asking his assistance and support of this Program and this Resolution.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, on this 21st day of May, 1963

(s/ B.E. Ball)

Mayor

s/ Jo Nosler

Clerk of Council

Mr. Jester presented a Personnel Policy for council's consideration

After a brief discussion, council instructed the City Manager to revise the policy making necessary changes. #2417

Mayor Ball advised council that he and W.P. Kanto, Webb Willitts and R.T. Flanary would be attending the Highway Conference in Roanoke on May 23rd. #2418

Mr. Jester gave a report on the improvement of Route 74 #2419

Mr. Jester gave a report from Mr. John Turner, Resident Engineer of the State Highway Department regarding controlling of bank in front of Isaac Apartments on West Park Avenue. #2420

On motion by A.O. Umstead, seconded by Archie Woods and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council moved that the City license for the carnival be waived. #2421

On motion by Archie Woods, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by unanimous vote, council moved that any City license for the Horse Show of May 25th be waived. #2422

Mr. Jester advised council of the Governor's Industrial Development Conference to be held in Richmond on May 31, 1963. #2423

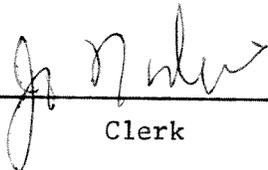
Mr. Jester presented the Treasurer's Financial Report for the month of April, 1963. #2424

On motion by J.B. Taggart, seconded by J.C. Holcomb and carried by unanimous roll call vote, council moved that the Treasurer's Report as presented be accepted. #2425

Mr. Taggart gave a report on his telephone conversation with Mr. Blazedell of H.E.W. Office in Charlottesville, concerning the City's application for funds for sewer disposal plant. #2425

Mr. Jester advised council that he had received the plans for the sewage disposal interceptor lines. Council agreed to make a tour of these locations at 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, May 28th. #2426

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


Clerk


Mayor