

April 1, 1954

The regular meeting of the city council was held on the above date in the Municipal Court Room with Mayor B. E. Ball presiding.

All members of council were present except Fred H. King.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Abe Still appeared before council requesting that appropriations #326 for the Kentucky Avenue Walkway be brought up to the amounts set forth in the five year plan adopted in 1950. No action was taken on this matter.

C. L. Porter presented a petition of citizens on Kentucky Avenue #327 and Roberts Avenue requesting that some police action be taken to control the speeding on Kentucky Avenue. The matter was referred to the City Manager.

The School Board budget was presented. Mr. Kanto appeared to explain their position on the matter and answer any questions that might come up. Mr. Umstead moved that the budget be set aside for consideration with the regular appropriation ordinance. #328

The City Manager brought the problem of R. V. Blevins to council's #329 attention explaining that he desired to construct a business building in a residential area and that this area was tentatively planned for a local business zone, by the planning commission in the revision of the zoning ordinance which they now have under consideration. On a motion by Sol Cury, seconded by A. O. Umstead and carried unani- mously the City Manager was authorized to issue a building permit for Lots 1 and 2, Block 94, subject to the approval of the planning commission at their next meeting April 7th.

On motion by W. R. Hamner, seconded by Sol Cury, the City Manager #330 was authorized to purchase a Model D. Allis-Chalmers Grader for \$5,655.19 plus interest accrued on a rental purchase contract with Bemiss Equipment Company Corporation.

The recommendation requested by council on the procedure for install- #331 ing the required capital improvements in the annexed area was presented by the City Attorney and City Manager. It was explained that \$40,000 would be necessary to install water line to serve Ramsey area and that this money could be borrowed on a short term obligation and paid out of a bond issue at a later date when the proposed dam would be constructed.

On motion by A. O. Umstead seconded by W. R. Hamner the City Manager was instructed to proceed with the plans to construct the water lines as set forth in his estimate and to negotiate a loan not to exceed \$40,000 for this construction.

The City Manager presented the sketch of the proposed court room #332 layout as drawn by the Municipal Building Architect and stated the

costs for their requested improvements exceeded the appropriation available for this type of work. The City Manager was then instructed to set up appropriations to provide these improvements in the forthcoming budget.

Frank Horsman appeared requesting the city to appropriate an amount of \$1,000 in the 1954-55 budget to aid the Norton Band Association in their efforts to acquire a new instructor. #333
On motion by A. O. Umstead, seconded by Sol Cury, the City Manager was instructed to provide an appropriation of \$1,000 in the forthcoming budget.

Mr. Greear petitioned the city to join the Norton Area Chamber of Commerce by accepting four memberships in this organization. #334
On motion by Sol Cury, seconded by W. R. Hamner, the City Manager was authorized to subscribe four memberships to the Norton Area Chamber of Commerce. On roll call vote, all members present, four in number, voted YEA.

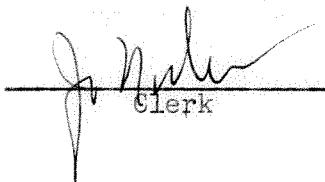
The City Manager presented a proposed dog ordinance which after a period of discussion was tabled and referred to the City Attorney. #335

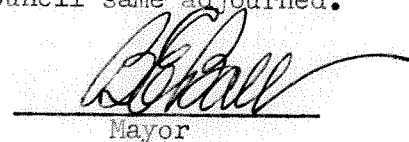
The proposed traffic signal system on the viaduct was discussed at length and referred to the City Attorney and City Manager. #336

The City Manager presented a group insurance proposal to council for their consideration and after a discussion the manager was instructed to determine the number of employees in each pay bracket of this policy and report to council at their next meeting. #337

Franklin Miller of Appalachia appeared before council requesting permission to operate the Palace Pool Room. The matter referred to the City Manager for investigation and approval. #338

There being no further business before the council same adjourned.


Clerk


Mayor