

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, February 7, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Raines presiding.

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

Absent: Ron McCall, E. W. Ward, and Joe Pippin

Also Present: Fred L. Ramey, Jr., Assistant City Manager

The invocation was given by Rev. Jim Jenkins and was followed by the pledge of allegiance which was led by the Assistant City Manager, Mr. Ramey.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the January 17, 1995 meeting as presented. 17125

There was no response to the Mayor's call for visitors. 17126

Mr. Blaine Delaney, Executive Director of the Black Diamond Resource Conservation Development Council gave Council a brief update on his organization and answered questions from City Council. At the end of his presentation, Mr. Delaney presented City Council with a framed poster from the Black Diamond Resource Conservation Development Council. 17127

Mayor Raines thanked Mr. Delaney for the update and also the framed poster.

At 7:38, Councilman McCall and City Attorney Pippin took their seats. 17128

Council had a request for funds from Contingency in the amount of \$23,104 to perform a general reassessment of real estate.

Mr. Ramey advised it was the recommendation of the City Administration to accept the proposal of Old Dominion Appraisal Service in the amount of \$23,104.00 to perform this work. This comes to an amount of \$9.50 per lot in the City. 17129

Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to accept the recommendation of the City Administration and accept the proposal of Old Dominion Appraisal Service in the amount of \$23,104.00 with said funds to come from Contingency.

Council had been presented in their packets for discussion an Ordinance Providing for the Exemption of Real Estate Taxes for Qualified Property Owners Not Less Than Sixty-Five Years of Age or Permanently and Totally Disabled Property Owners.

Mrs. Judy Miller, Commissioner of Revenue, was present to discuss this item with Council. 17130

Following a discussion and determining there was no way to find out what type of impact this would have on the City, it was the consensus of Council to proceed and advertise a public hearing on this.

ordinance with the City Attorney checking out two sections, Section 7 as to Nullification and Section 5 as to the Certification of Totally and Permanently Disabled.

Council had in their packets for discussion An Ordinance Adding Division 3 to Article VIII of the Norton City Code on Taxation, Being Codified as Section 23-261 and Concerning a Tax of Mobile Local Telecommunication Services and Establishing Procedures for Collection of the Tax.

The Assistant City Manager turned this item over to the City Attorney who advised it was basically taken verbatim from the State Code.

Following a discussion, it was the consensus of Council to advertise this ordinance for a public hearing and the City Attorney advised he would clarify in Sub-Section A.

A Resolution Proclaiming Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week was contained in Council's packet for passage. The City Clerk read this resolution and upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt a Resolution Proclaiming the Week of February 12 - February 18, 1995 as Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week. (Insert)

Council had been presented a copy of a check in the amount of \$120,000.00 dated January 27, 1995 to the Norton City Schools. Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a check in the amount of \$120,000.00 to the Norton City Schools.

In comments from the Assistant City Manager, he advised:

The City Manager had become ill and could not attend tonight's meeting.

The Centennial Play, "110 Today", will be held February 15, 16, and 18 at the John I. Burton High School at 7:00 p.m.

The Library Board is hosting a supper in the Harris Gallery for Council on Tuesday, February 21, 1995. Council is to RSVP the Clerk by February 15th.

The date of March 17th at 12:00 Noon at the Holiday Inn has been selected as the date of the CIP Meeting.

Mayor Raines advised that since February 15th was the anniversary date of the founding of Norton, he thought it would be appropriate for Council to attend the Centennial Play on that date as a group. Members of Council are to advise Mary if they can attend so that the tickets can be purchased.

There were no comments from the City Attorney.

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

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA


B. Robert Raines, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk