

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held on Tuesday, August 6, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Robert Raines presiding.

Present: Jack Wallace, Robert Raines, William Mays, and Joseph Fawbush

Absent: Joseph Hunnicutt

The invocation was given by Rev. Amy Alcorn and was followed by the pledge of allegiance, which was led by Police Captain Kenneth Jackson.

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Joseph Fawbush, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the July 16, 2002 meeting as presented.

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At this time, Mayor Raines amended the agenda under Item 6-C to include a Request for a Refund of Erroneously Assessed Taxes in the amount of \$105.60 to Mr. Ricky Mullins.

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

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Council had a request to authorize an intent to award a contract for the Water Line Replacement Project. Present to speak to Council on this item was Mr. Ward, the City Manager, and Mr. Bobby Lane of Lane Engineering Company.

Mr. Lane advised that the city had advertised and received bids on July 30th and that a copy of the Bid Tabulation Sheet was provided to each Council member. Mr. Lane further advised that the bids had been reviewed and that they were recommending that City Council adopt a Resolution of Tentative Award to R. S. Jones and Associates in the amount of \$981,351.00 for the base bid and additive alternates 1, 2, and 3. This tentative award is based on the pending review and approval by the City Attorney and the funding agency for this project.

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A brief discussion was held on the budget for this project and Council was advised that work should begin within 1 to 1-1/2 months.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Joseph Fawbush, and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote: YES – Wallace, Mays, Fawbush, Raines, NO – None, ABSENT – Hunnicutt, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of Tentative Award based on the pending review and approval by the City Attorney and the funding agency for this project. (Insert)

Mr. Ward presented to Council individual copies of the Comparative Cost Report for the Year of 2001. He then gave Council a brief synopsis of the City's various funds in comparison with other local entities.

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Mayor Raines thanked the City Manager for this presentation.

Council had two requests for refunds on erroneously assessed taxes. The first item was a refund in the amount of \$171.67 to Mr. John Scott.

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Joseph Fawbush, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a refund in the amount of \$171.67 to Mr. John Scott for erroneously assessed taxes.

The second item was a refund to Mr. Ricky Mullins for an erroneous assessment in the amount of \$105.60.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Joseph Fawbush, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a refund in the amount of \$105.60 to Mr. Ricky Mullins for erroneously assessed taxes.

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Council had a request for a budget amendment to the 2002-03 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$31,319.

Mr. Ward advised that funding for the position of the School Resource Officer for J. I. Burton High School had not been received during work on the City Budget and Council funded this position with local dollars. The City has since received notification of the approval of this grant and he is, therefore, requesting that Council amend the 2002-2003 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$31,319.00. This amendment would reflect receiving State Funds. The Revenue Account Number 1899-0016 DCJS Grants should be adjusted by \$31,319.00 and the Expenditure Account Number 9110-5804 Miscellaneous should be adjusted by \$31,319.00.

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During a brief discussion of this money being put into the Contingency Account for use during the year, a brief discussion was held on looking at other options regarding disposal of garbage. At the end of this discussion, it was the consensus of Council that the City Manager continue to look into alternative disposal of City garbage.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Joseph Fawbush, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council authorized the adjustment in the 2002-2003 General Fund Revenue Budget Account #1899-0016 in the DCJS Grants in the amount of \$31,319.00 and the Expenditure Account #9110-5804 Miscellaneous in the amount of \$31,319.00.

Council had in their packets a copy of a check in the amount of \$195,000 payable to the Norton City Schools for approval.

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a check in the amount of \$195,000 made payable to the Norton City Schools.

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Upon a motion by Joseph Fawbush, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to go into closed meeting to discuss personnel as per 2.2-3711(A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

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Mayor Raines declared Council in closed meeting.

Upon a motion by Joseph Fawbush, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into open meeting.

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Mayor Raines declared Council back in open meeting.

The Clerk then polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Closed Meeting with each answering aye. The Clerk then read A Resolution of the Certification

of Closed Meeting. Upon a motion by Joseph Fawbush, seconded by William Mays, and passed by the following unanimous vote, YES – Wallace, Mays, Fawbush, Raines , NO – None, ABSENT – Hunnicutt, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the Certification of Closed Meeting. (Insert)

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Mayor Raines opened the floor for nominations to the City of Norton Planning Commission.

William Mays nominated Mr. Robert Isaac to be reappointed to this Commission for a four year term, which will expire July 31, 2006.

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Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Joseph Fawbush, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease.

Mayor Raines declared Mr. Robert Isaac reappointed to the City of Norton Planning Commission for a four year term, which will expire July 31, 2006.

In comments from the City Manager, Mr. Ward advised that the City Pool would be closing on August 11th and that they had a good year. He further advised that school would begin August 15th.

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In comments from the City Attorney, Mr. Bradshaw advised that he was still working on the various bond issues for the City and that they were moving along smoothly and he does not anticipate any delay.

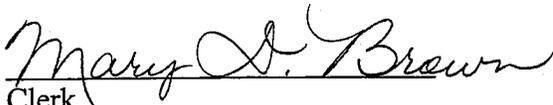
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There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF NORTON, VIRGINIA


B. Robert Raines, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk