

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, October 6, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Raines presiding.

Prior to the roll call, Mr. Roy R. Roberts, recently appointed Council Member, was sworn in by the Clerk.

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

Also Present: E. W. Ward, City Manager and Joe Pippin, City Attorney

The invocation was given by Rev. Bob Kespelher and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Police Chief Sam Mongle.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the September 15, 1992 meeting as presented. 15503

During the Mayor's call for visitors, Mr. Ralph Minor of Lee County spoke to Council on the organization of a Resource Conservation and Development Council which would cover Southwest Virginia. Mr. Minor presented each member of Council with a copy of the application for this Council and advised he would like to have Council as a sponsor. 15504

Following a brief discussion, Mayor Raines thanked Mr. Minor for his presentation.

A public hearing was held on An Ordinance Regulating Fire and Burglar Alarm Systems and Providing Service Fees for False Alarms.

Mayor Raines advised this ordinance had been to Council previously and two changes had been made. It is brought back tonight for the public hearing and consideration of passage.

There were no comments from Council prior to the public hearing. 15505

Mayor Raines opened the floor for public comments.

There were no public comments and the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Following a discussion and upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Regulating Fire and Burglar Alarm Systems and Providing Service Fees for False Alarms. (Insert)

This ordinance will take effect 30 days from date of adoption and the City Manager will advise those people who are on line already.

A public hearing was held on An Ordinance Regulating Noise Disturbances in the City and Prescribing Penalties Thereof.

This ordinance also had been brought before Council previously and had some changes made.

There were no comments from Council prior to the public hearing.

Mayor Raines opened the public hearing. 15506

Mr. Mark Honeycutt, 648 Hammer Avenue, spoke in favor of this ordinance but felt the time restraints should be included and that the penalties should be less.

There being no further comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Following a brief discussion, it was the consensus of Council that changes be made in this ordinance as discussed.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Regulating Noise and Prescribing Penalties Thereof with the changes to be made as discussed. (Insert)

At this time, Mayor Raines welcomed Mr. Terry Roop, Government Teacher at J. I. Burton High School, and several of his students. Mr. Roop thanked the Mayor and advised it was their pleasure to be at tonight's meeting.

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Council had been given a copy of A Resolution Providing for the Issuance and Sale of a \$750,000 General Obligation Fire Department Bond, Series of 1992, of the City of Norton, Virginia, Heretofore Authorized, and Providing for the Form, Details and Payment Thereof.

Mr. Ward advised this is the last resolution covering the \$750,000.00 bond issue covering the new fire equipment. Former City Attorney Kenneth Asbury had handled this bond package for the City and has approved it.

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Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution Providing for the Issuance and Sale of a \$750,000 General Obligation Fire Department Bond, Series of 1992, of the City of Norton, Virginia, Heretofore Authorized, and Providing for the Form, Details and Payment Thereof. (Insert)

Council had been provided with a list of the newly elected working officers of the Norton Fire Department.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council approved the list of working officers of the Norton Fire Department for 1992-93 as presented.

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Mr. Ward advised Council that House Bill 15 recently enacted by the General Assembly provides for the establishment of Disability Services Board by November 1, 1992 throughout the Commonwealth.

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Following a brief discussion, it was the consensus of Council to go on a regional basis with this Disability Services Board and Mr. Ward is to contact Mr. Ron Flanary, of Lenowisco, who has agreed to serve as a catalyst and get this regional board started.

Due to the City's representation at the Virginia Municipal League Conference the latter part of October by members of Council, it was decided that the October 20, 1992 meeting be cancelled and the first meeting of November, which falls on Election Day, will be held in the Fire Hall.

15511

Council had been furnished with a copy of a check made payable to the Norton City Schools in the amount of \$110,000.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a check in the amount of \$110,000 made payable to the Norton City Schools to cover payroll.

15512

Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel as per 2.1-344(A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended. Mayor Raines declared the meeting in Executive Session.

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Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Ron McCall, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session. Mayor Raines declared the meeting back in regular session.

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The Clerk then polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Executive Meeting with each answering aye. The Clerk then read the entire Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting. Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting. (Insert)

15515

Mayor Raines opened the floor for nominations to the Southwest Virginia

Emergency Medical Services Board for a term which will expire September 30, 1995.
William Mays nominated Mr. Bill Stokes be reappointed to this Board.

Upon a motion by Ron McCall, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the nominations cease. 15516

Mayor Raines declared Bill Stokes reappointed to the Southwest Virginia Emergency Medical Services Board for a term which will expire September 30, 1995.

The Mayor advised no action was taken on the appointment to the Highway Safety Commission. 15517

In his comments, the City Manager advised:

We received over 2" of rain over the week-end and now have 83.4 million gallons in the reservoir.

The City has replaced 1,000' of bad sewer line on Virginia Avenue around St. Mary's Psychiatric and about 200' of line will be replaced on 5th Street off Park Avenue. 15518

There were no comments from Council.

Mayor Raines welcomed Mr. Roberts back on Council.

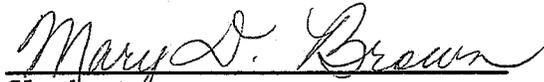
There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned.

CITY OF NORTON



B. Robert Raines, Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk