

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Tuesday, April 3, 1990, at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Cliff Daniels presiding.

Present: Roy Roberts, Jack Wallace, Cliff Daniels, and William Mays

Absent: Robert Raines

Also Present: E. W. Ward, City Manager and Kenneth Asbury, City Attorney

The invocation was given by City Manager Ward followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Al Johnson.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt the minutes of the March 20, 1990 council meeting as presented.

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

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Mr. Ron McCall, Chairman of the City of Norton School Board, presented Council with a synopsis of the 1990-91 budget which calls for \$99,283 in City funds over last year's funding. This amount covers a 5% pay increase for teachers and administrators. A new school bus, which has already been approved by Council, is state mandated and the cost of same is \$26,500. Also included in this amount are two major projects of replacing typewriters with computers and installation of a science laboratory at Norton Elementary.

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Following a lengthy discussion, Council advised Mr. McCall that Council would take their budget into consideration while working on the City's budget and thanked the School Board for their work and attendance.

Mr. Ward advised Council that some of the Turn Trash into Art Contest winners' items had been placed in Council Chambers for Council's viewing. This contest was conducted by the Parks and Recreation Department as part of our Keep America Beautiful Month in Norton. A poster contest will also be held at the local schools, the Annual Clean Up Day will be held on Saturday, April 21st, and the Clean Up Period will run April 20 -30.

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Mayor Daniels modified the agenda by moving Item 6-C before 6-B since it falls in line with Clean Up Day.

Council had been presented with A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Declaring the Month of April, 1990 as Keep America Beautiful Month in Norton.

Following a brief discussion, and upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Declaring the Month of April, 1990 as Keep America Beautiful Month in Norton. (Insert)

Councilman Roberts at this time advised those present that Lenowisco will be holding a Solid Waste Management Planning Program on April 9th and 10th at the Holiday Inn with experts from the State present. On Monday night, April 9th, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, a public information hearing will be held. This hearing is not to consider a landfill but strictly advising of the problem of solid waste management training and will give the public an overview of the planning program and sets their responsibility.

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Council had been presented with A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Requesting that the Virginia Department of Transportation Include the Construction of the U. S. 23/58A By-Pass Through the City of Norton, Virginia in the Next Six Year Improvement Program.

Mr. Ward advised that the 1990 Preallocation Public Hearing for the Bristol District will be held on Friday, April 6, at 10:00 a.m. in Abingdon and that the City needed to be present to show that we still need this by-pass. Mr. Ward advised he would be there and would present the members of the Commonwealth

Transportation Board a new updated version of the U. S. 23 Missing Link booklet and also a new photograph in it showing how traffic has worsened in the last year. Mr. Ward further wanted Council to adopt this resolution and asked what members of Council could attend this hearing.

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Mayor Daniels, Councilman Roberts, Councilman Mays, and Councilman Wallace all concurred they would attend and the City Manager is to check with Councilman Raines and see if he can attend.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Requesting that the Virginia Department of Transportation Include the Construction of the U. S. 23/58A By-Pass Through the City of Norton, Virginia, in the Next Six Year Improvement Program. (Insert)

Mr. Ward further advised Council that both Wise County, several towns in the County, and the Lenowisco Planning District had passed resolutions in support of the Norton By-Pass.

Council had been presented with A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Recognizing the Month of April 1990 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Mr. Ward advised this was sponsored by the Lonesome Pine Office on Youth.

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Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia Recognizing the Month of April 1990 as Child Abuse Prevention Month. (Insert)

Mayor Daniels advised he had received a letter from Old Dominion Power Company advising of a fuel adjustment rate increase and he wanted the City Attorney to address this.

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Mr. Asbury advised that he would check on this Wednesday and get back with the City Manager as to a recommendation of action.

Mayor Daniels advised he was amending the Executive Session to Discuss Legal as Per 2.1-344 (A) (3) of the Code of Virginia As Amended.

Upon a motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous 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 and Legal as per 2.1-344 (A) (3) of the Code of Virginia As Amended.

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Mayor Daniels declared the meeting in Executive Session.

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session.

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Mayor Daniels declared the meeting back in regular session.

The Clerk then polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Executive Session with each member answering aye. The Clerk then read the entire Resolution of the Certification of Executive Meeting.

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Upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Roy Roberts, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the City of Norton Certification of Executive Meeting. (Insert)

Mayor Daniels advised there were no announcements as to legal.

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The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the Housing Appeals Board for a five year term which is to expire on February 18, 1995.

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Roy Roberts nominated Mr. Willie Winkles.

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

Mayor Daniels declared Mr. Willie Winkles appointed to the Housing Appeals Board for a five year term which will expire February 18, 1995.

In his comments, the City Manager advised that he had been advised by Century Cable of an increase of \$2.95 per basic service effective May 1, 1990. Mr. Ward further advised he had received several phone calls from citizens, but

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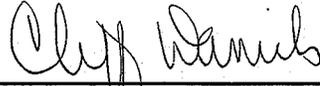
due to Federal deregulations, there was nothing the City could do. However, he had written to the corporate headquarters requesting justification of this increase.

Mayor Daniels expressed his appreciation to those who participated in the presentation made to Lt. Governor Beyer on March 31st and to those who made presentations, namely E. W. Ward, Fred Ramey, and Dr. Albert Armentout. Thanks were also extended to the City boards, commissions, and staff.

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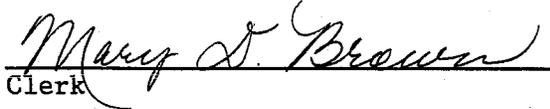
Mayor Daniels again reminded everyone of the Highway 1990 Preallocation Public Hearing that will be held in Abingdon on Friday, April 6, 1990 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further comments from the City Manager, City Attorney, or Council, the meeting was adjourned.



Cliff Daniels, Mayor

ATTEST:



Mary S. Brown
Clerk