

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chambers on September 1, 1987 with Mayor Daniels presiding.

Present: Roy Roberts, Jack Wallace, Cliff Daniels, Robert Raines, William Mays

Also Present: C.R. Brown, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

Invocation was given by Vice Mayor Raines, followed with Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief Sam Mongle. 13911

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of August 18, 1987 be approved as presented. 13912

Ralph Blevins appeared before Council inquiring of the status of street light requested for area of Virginia Avenue, N.E. Mr. Brown advised Old Dominion Power Company was looking at the site at this time. Mr. Blevins also spoke about pot holes in road. Council referred this matter to the City Manager. 13913

Discussion of Potential Bus Service between Norton and Wise. Mr. Brown addressed this subject presenting information on operation of this bus into Norton. He advised that Sim Ewing, Mgr. of Wise ask if the City would be interested in a one time contribution for this service. He also gave the places in Norton where the bus route would go - Holiday Inn, both hospitals, D.M.V. and Employment Commission. Council briefly discussed this matter. Council thought it a good idea to have press play this up and also put on water bills to try to evaluate the need. 13914

Discussion of water reserves. Mr. Brown addressed this subject, advising that as of this A.M. there was 87.8 million gallons of water in reserve. He spoke of August being the driest in several years. The Mayor ask that the press help in any way they could of making people aware of need for conservation of the water. Mayor Daniels advised we were not at a critical point as yet and that we are much better off than we had been in several years. The City Manager advised that if we do not have a substantial rain by the 15th Council will have to take a hard look. Time now to be thinking about what we can do. 13915

The Mayor announced we had an additional item to go on the agenda, we have to ratify a check in the amount of \$140,000.00 to City School Board.

On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that ratify check in amount of \$140,000.00 to City of Norton School Board Fund. 13916

Ralph Blevins brought to council's attention creeks down at Blackwood with reference to use in water conservation. No action. 13917

Mayor Daniels brought to council's attention the word received today of the passing of Bill Kanto. The Mayor reflected on the many contributions made to the City of Norton by Mr. Kanto. Mayor Daniels ask that Council take one minute to express our thanks for his having been our way. It is a sad moment. 13918

Comments by City Manager - No comments. 13919

Vice Mayor Raines brought to council's attention the need for something to be done at Esserville intersection where recently there has been another bad wreck. Vice Mayor Raines thought the Highway Department should be requested to study this situation. One of the reporters for news media was present and advised she had talked with Highway department as of this day and that they were studying this situation. 13920

There being no further business council adjourned to go into work session to discuss proposed employee handbook.

Cliff Daniels
Mayor

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Clerk