

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on July 20, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Fulks presiding.

Present: Ike Fulks, W.F. McElroy, George Hunnicutt, Roy Roberts, Vernon Flanary

Also Present: Milas D. Franks, City Manager and Montie S. Meeks, City Attorney

Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved with correction in minutes of July 13th, Sec. 7448 by adding after word consultation" Virginia Division of Mines and/or Division of Mine Reclamation.

Mr. Mainous of Virginia Avenue and 13th Street appeared before council inquiring as to whether or not an answer to letter regarding mining on alley above 13th Street had been received. The City Manager advised no answer had been received.

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Mr. Bob Isaac appeared before council requesting space in Neighborhood Facilities building for Y.M.C.A. offices. He stated he thought there would be need for two rooms at the beginning, one for the Director and one for his secretary. Matter referred to City Manager for report back to council.

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Mr. Frank Clisso appeared before council regarding interference on T.V. caused by C.B.'s. Council discussed matter briefly and advised Mr. Clisso they would again check into matter.

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Mr. C.L. Marcum and Kenneth Wmapler appeared before council in behalf of constitutional officers and their assistants, with Mr. Marcum as spokesman. Mr. Marcum requested that council give consideration to paying retirement for constitutional officers. Council discussed this request at great length.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by the following votes (Ike Fulks, W.F. McElroy, George Hunnicutt, Roy Roberts, Yes, Vernon Flanary abstained) council moved that the Constitutional officers and their assistants be paid a flat 7% increase as State of Virginia has approved and that City pay retirement in amount of 5% as they are doing for other employees of the City.

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The City Manager advised council that he has discussed the cash flow of the General Operating Fund with Mr. Thrower, City Auditor, and that they had come up with a maximum amount needed between July and November of \$110,000.00. Council discussed this matter briefly with City Manager and delayed action until financial report could be presented.

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The City Manager reported on status of Powell River Re-Channeling-Dorchester. Matter discussed briefly.

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The City Manager advised council of water problems at the new Community Hospital and Shopping Center sites. After a discussion of the matter council expressed a desire for a cooperative effort between the hospital contractors for shopping center and the city to help alleviate the situation.

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Mr. Don Mullins of Mullins Engineering Firm appeared before council and presented Owner/Engineer agreement for utility relocation Norton By-Pass. Council discussed this matter at length with Mr. Mullins.

On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Roberts, Flanary, Yes) council moved that city enter into contractual agreement with Don Mullins, T/A Mullins Engineering Company, to have in writing before final execution of the agreement to reimburse for this cost.

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On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by W.F. McElroy and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Roberts, Flanary, Yes) council moved that ordinance Section 21-2 Connection with Water Main-Fees be passed on first reading. (Insert) *Page 6*

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The City Manager presented ordinance amending Section 21-5, Deposits Required. Tabled for further study.

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On Motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Roy Roberts and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Roberts, Flanary, Yes) council moved that Charlie Daniels be reappointed as member of City of Norton Planning Commission for a four year term said term to expire July 31, 1980.

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Councilman Roberts asked that council think about emergency ordinance passed on July 13th regarding dynamiting. He asked that they look at it to see if they had overreacted on this. He stated that his question was-is it going to pose a problem in respect to utility installation and simple home construction. Council discussed this ordinance briefly. No further definite action taken at this meeting.

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Councilman Hunnicutt inquired as to whether State Police Department had been contacted regarding possibility of moving.

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There being no further business to come before the council same adjourned at 11:05 P.M.