

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on December 21, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Fulks presiding.

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

Also Present: Jim Vicars, City Manager & Kenneth Asbury, Attorney

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Vernon Flanary, and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Yes) council moved adoption of "Off-Site Drainage Improvements Ordinance" on second reading as read by Jim Vicars.

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Mayor announced it was time for public hearing on Community Development Program 1977-78. The City Manager explained the program and outlined the five projects for the coming year.

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Council was in agreement for City Employees to have December 24th and December 31st as holidays.

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Council briefly discussed the moving of telephone operators office from Norton. Mayor Fulks asked that the City Manager contact state representatives from this district to see if they could in any way help to keep this office from being moved out of the city.

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On motion by W.F. McElroy, seconded by Vernon Flanary and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Yes) council moved that resolution commending Roy Roberts be passed.

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Mr. Lambert, representative of Community Hospital was present at council meeting and again discussed water tank at the west end of the city near the new Community Hospital and proposed shopping center.

Councilman Hunnicutt, moved that the city proceed to engineer 300,000, 400,000 or 500,000 gallon tank at this location of the facility of hospital would pay the cost of a 100,000 gallon tank.

Mr. Lambert, Hospital Administrator, stated that the hospital could not go along with this proposal. Councilman Hunnicutt withdrew his motion.

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The City Manager discussed with council insured properties of the city. After a brief discussion matter was referred to the City Manager for further study and bring back a report to council at a later date.

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The City Manager reported that all properties had been acquired and therefore rezoning of Elderly Housing site is effective.

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Council briefly discussed the use of the Neighborhood Facilities Building. Council asked that the City Manager get more information on the use of the building and bring back to council.

Councilman Hunnicutt stated he would like to go on record as taking no part in this conversation because it was definitely a conflict of interest for him.

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The City Attorney gave a report on matters referred to him by council.

1. Change in charter for increase in school board members had been set in motion.
2. Appointment of three assessors had been done by judge.
3. Closing of Third Street at request of Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority to be on agenda of January 4, meeting.
4. Lela Dotson Case.

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On motion by George Hunnicutt, seconded by W.F. McElroy, and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Yes) council moved that the new lease with the Planning I, District Health and Mental Retardation and that time on lease of one (1) year time with automatic renewal be changed to the fifty (50) years and Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to sign the new lease.

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Councilman McElroy inquired of City Attorney what the disposition of Virginia Nard Bolling was. Mr. Asbury advised that this was in his opinion a countermoved against actions on 13th Street Alley.

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Council asked that City Manager get information on tipple tax and report back to council by next meeting.

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Mayor Fulks read a list of eight (8) persons who were possible candidates for the position on City Council.

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Councilman Flanary moved that Bill Necessary be appointed as City Councilman to serve the unexpired term of Roy Roberts, resigned, said term to expire July, 1978.

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Councilman McElroy moved that nominations be closed.

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On roll call vote (Fulks, McElroy, Hunnicutt, Flanary, Yes) council moved that Bill Necessary be appointed as member of City of Norton council, said term to expire July, 1978.

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There being no further business to come before the council same adjourned.

John Fulks

MAYOR

J. Smith

CLERK OF COUNCIL

