

April 28, 1961

A special meeting of the City Council was held in the City Manager's Office on the above date at 9:00 A. M. with Mayor B. E. Ball presiding.

Present: B. E. Ball, A. O. Umstead, F. W. Glass, W. R. Hamner, J. C. Holcomb.

Mr. Ball announced that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss #1869 the proposed merger of the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad Company with the Norfolk and Western Railway Company. After a brief discussion with Mr. Harold Carter, Supt. of Norfolk and Western Railway Company and upon motion by J. C. Holcomb, seconded by W. R. Hamner and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was passed:

Whereas, it has been proposed that The New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad Company be merged into the Norfolk and Western Railway Company and that Norfolk and Western Railway Company lease the lines and property of Wabash Railroad Company; and

WHEREAS, City Council of Norton, Va. is of the opinion that the proposed merger and lease would result in a stronger transportation system and inure to the benefit of the citizens of Norton, Va. by providing more efficient and economical transportation designed to meet the expanding needs of the shipping public in this area and the other areas served by the three lines; and

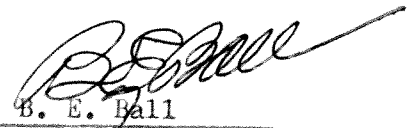
WHEREAS, applications have been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission in Finance Docket Nos. 21510 to 21514, both inclusive, for authority to carry out the proposed unification.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City Council of Norton, Va. does hereby approve the proposed merger of Norfolk and Western Railway Company and The New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad Company and the lease of Wabash Railroad Company by Norfolk and Western Railway Company and requests that the Interstate Commerce Commission act favorably on the applications in Finance Docket Nos. 21510 to 21514, both inclusive; and

That the Clerk to Council is instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Interstate Commerce Commission; and

That the Clerk to Council is instructed to send copies of this resolution to the Governor, each member of the Virginia congressional delegation and the State Corporation Commission.


s/   
B. E. Ball

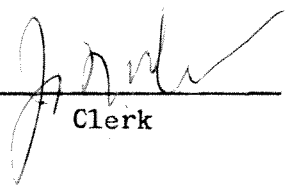
B. E. Ball, Mayor

s/ Jo Nosler

Clerk of Council

There being no further business before the council same adjourned.

  
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Mayor

  
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Clerk