

The regular meeting of the Norton City Council was held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Tuesday, December 5, 1989, at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Daniels presiding.

Present: Jack Wallace, Cliff Daniels, Robert Raines, and William Mays

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

Absent: Roy Roberts

The invocation was given by City Manager Ward followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by City Attorney Kenneth Asbury.

Upon a motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved that the minutes of the November 21, 1989 meeting be approved as presented.

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

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Council was presented with synopsis of the 1989 audit by Mr. Calvin Honaker of Thrower and Thrower.

Following a brief discussion, Mayor Daniels advised that due to the fact they had just received their individual copies of this audit that they would call Thrower and Thrower if they had any questions.

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Mayor Daniels advised there had been a turn around in funds and commended both the City Manager and his staff.

There was no one present regarding the Bingo/Raffle Permit for the Wise County Bowlers Association. Mayor Daniels advised that the City Attorney confirmed and supported the position of Council on this permit. The Wise County Bowlers Association did not meet the guidelines of the ordinance pertaining to the issuance of the permit.

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Mr. Bob Cassell of the Wise County Health Department presented to Council the Annual Report of the Lenowisco Health District which will take the place of the monthly reports that had been previously sent to Council. Mr. Cassell also presented Council with a copy of the Virginia Department of Health's Legislative Briefing Package '90 which covers several new programs they will be seeking to have funded by the legislature. Mr. Cassell briefly went over each of these programs.

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Ms. Donnese Kern, past Chairman of the Wise County Health Advisory Board also presented Council with an annual report of this Board's activities and also gave Council a synopsis of same. Ms. Kern stressed to Council of the inclusion of the Dental Program in Council's funding to the Health Department in the future.

Mayor Daniels congratulated both Mr. Cassell and Ms. Kern on their presentations.

Mr. Ward gave Council an update on the progress of Contract IV of the Coeburn-Norton-Wise Regional Sewer Authority which covers the Josephine Sewer Treatment Project and was asking Council for some guidance.

Bids were solicited but not awarded and the Authority appointed a Review Committee comprised of Mr. William Mays, Mr. Jack Wallace, and Mr. Ron McCall. This Committee along with Mayor Daniels, C-N-W Executive Director Gene Brooks, and City Manager Ward met with the engineers, Dewberry and Davis, regarding options on this project.

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Bobby Lane of Dewberry and Davis advised Mr. Ward by letter that he had met with the State Water Control Board and they had approved the option of moving the gravity sewer portion from the railroad track to Haggy Alley and down Park Avenue as long as it was cost effective.

The engineering work that needs to be done regarding the available options has increased from \$3,000 to \$6,000.

After much discussion and upon a motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council authorized the amending of the existing contract to the C-N-W Regional Sewer Authority to the amount of \$6,000 to accomplish the work needed to be done by the engineering firm of Dewberry and Davis.

Mr. Ward will advise Mr. Brooks by memorandum of Council's decision with a copy to the committee members for discussion to be held at the Authority's meeting to be held Wednesday, December 6, 1989.

Council had been presented with a copy of a check payable to the City of Norton Schools in the amount of \$165,000.00.

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Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace, and passed by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve a check in the amount of \$165,000.00 made payable to the City of Norton Schools.

Upon a motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to go into Executive Session as per 2.1-344 (A) (3) to discuss the acquisition and/or disposition of real property, and as amended by the Mayor, per 2.1-344 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, As Amended, to discuss personnel.

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Mayor Daniels declared the meeting in Executive Session.

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

Mayor Daniels declared the meeting back in regular session.

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The Clerk then polled each member of Council as to the Certification of Executive Session with each member answering aye. The Clerk then read A Resolution of the City of Norton Certification of Executive Meeting. (Insert)

Upon a motion by William Mays, seconded by Robert Raines, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to adopt A Resolution of the City of Norton Certification of Executive Meeting.

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Council instructed the City Manager to advertise for a public hearing in January for the possible disposition of a portion of real property on Walnut Street which is a paper street in the City. He will receive information from the City Attorney as how to advertise for it.

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Council also discussed the acquisition and/or disposition of another piece of real property but no comments were made at this time.

Mayor Daniels advised Council had received and accepted Mr. Jack Wallace's resignation from the C-N-W Regional Sewer Authority.

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The Mayor opened the floor for nominations to the C-N-W Regional Sewer Authority.

Robert Raines nominated Mr. Cliff Daniels.

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

Mayor Cliff Daniels was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Jack Wallace on the C-N-W Regional Sewer Authority with said term expiring May 15, 1992.

Mr. Ward advised the City Christmas Dinner will be held Thursday, December 7th at the Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Ward also advised that the second meeting in December had been cancelled for several years and wanted Council's input on this. Following a brief discussion and upon a motion by Jack Wallace, seconded by Robert Raines, and passed by unanimous vote, Council moved to tentatively cancel the meeting of December 19, 1989.

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Mr. Ward had been handed a letter tonight from Marty Hagy, Chairman of Greater Norton, asking that the lot where Park Avenue Hospital once stood be designated by a sign as a City Parking Lot on a temporary basis during the Christmas Shopping Season.

Council instructed the City Manager to work with NIDA in order to make this a temporary parking lot during the holiday season, but that it should not be a permanent parking lot.

There were no comments from the City Attorney.

There was no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Cliff Daniels

Cliff Daniels, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary D. Brown
Clerk