

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chambers on September 6, 1988 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Daniels presiding.

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

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

Invocation was given by Rev. Don Bowles, followed with Pledge of Allegiance led by Delegate Jack Kennedy. 14232

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of regular meeting of August 16, 1988 be approved as presented. 14233

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that minutes of special meeting of August 26, 1988 be approved as presented. 14234

The Mayor announced it was now time for an audience for visitors. 14235

Betty Tussing appeared before Council inquiring as to status of water to Powell River residents - The Mayor advised the status was the same and at this time was not able to give any more information on the matter. 14236

Delegate Jack Kennedy was also present and addressed the matter of Powell River Water. He ask that council do everything possible to help get these people water.

The Mayor announced Public Hearings on:

A. Resolution allowing the C-N-W Regional Wastewater Authority to sell a Reserved Capacity of 200,000 GPD to Wise County.

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved the passage of Resolution. (Insert) 14237

B. An Ordinance to Exempt Store Front Improvements in Down Town Norton under the Down Town Store Front Improvement Program from the Payment of the Building Fees in the City of Norton. 14238

C. An Ordinance exempting that portion of Building Improvements made under the Down Town Store Front Improvements Program for Tax Purposes for a period of two years following the project completion. 14239

D. An Ordinance adopting the Down Town Store Front Improvement Program and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into Contract Agreement with Property Owners under the Guidelines of the Down Town Store Front Improvement Program. 14240

Vice Mayor Raines on 5-C asked the question - If someone opted not to take grant but may want to buy into Store Front Improvement Program would that in turn qualify them for tax exemption. The City Attorney and Mayor discussed this matter with Mr. Raines. 14241

The Mayor called for vote on "An Ordinance to Exempt Store Front Improvements in Down Town Norton under the Down Town Store Front Improvement Program from the payment of the Building Fees in the City of Norton." On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the foregoing ordinance be passed with effective date of Sept. 15, 1988. (Insert) 14242

"An Ordinance Exempting that Portion of Building Improvements Made under the Down Town Store Front Improvement Program for Tax Purooses for a period of two years following the Project Completion." On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the foregoing ordinance be passed with effective date of Sept. 15, 1988. (Insert) 14243

"An Ordinance Adopting the Down Town Store Front Improvement Program and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into Contract Agreements with Property Owners Under the Guidelines of the Down Town Store Front Improvement Program." On motion 14244 by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that the foregoing ordinance be passed with effective date Sept. 15, 1988. (Insert)

The Mayor briefly addressed these ordinances, stating he hoped the citizens would participate. 14245

Discussion of Water Reserves - The City Manager had given council a report stating the dams had had about 2" of rain during the last week. Number gallons in dams at this time, 86 million gallons. 14246

Update on 11th Street Overpass - The City Manager reported contractor is slightly above his anticipated level. Have monitored school situation and find no complaints at all. 28% of the project is finished. 14247

"A Resolution to Establish An Economic Development Commission Jointly and in Conjunction with Wise County to Achieve Certification under the Commonwealth of Virginia's Economic Development Program."

On motion by William Mays, seconded by Robert Raines and carried by unanimous 14248 vote, Council moved that "Resolution to Establish An Economic Development Commission Jointly and in Conjunction with Wise County to Achieve Certification Under the Commonwealth of Virginia's Economic Development Program be passed. (Insert)

A Resolution of Commitment to the Elimination of Extensive Infiltration/Inflow. Council discussed this resolution briefly. 14249

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that "Resolution of Commitment to the Elimination of Extensive Infiltration/Inflow be passed. (Insert)

Request for one water tap and one sewer tap in the County. The City Manager advised Council of the location of the proposed tap. Council briefly discussed this matter. 14250

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays and carried by the following votes, Council moved that the request for water & sewer tap to Norton-County of Wise Headstart be approved after emergency pumping has ceased, Daniels, Raines, Mays, AYE - Roberts, Wallace NAY.

Confirmation of check in excess of \$100,000.00 to the City of Norton School Board. On motion by Roy Roberts, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved to approve check in the amount of \$165,000.00 to Norton City Schools. 14251

On motion by William Mays, seconded by Jack Wallace and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to go into executive session to discuss Personnel as Per 2.1-344 (A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, As Amended, and legal matters as Per 2.1-344 (A) (6) of the Code of Virginia, As Amended. 14252

On motion by Robert Raines, seconded by William Mays and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved to go back into regular session.

The Mayor declared council back in regular session.

In regard to legal we have one announcement. The City Manager and myself have received a draft copy of contract for purchase agreement as regards water with City of Norton and PSA. In view of that document indicates at this time they did not address the items which we ask to be addressed. Therefore, we do not know exactly which direction we are going. 14253

As regards Personnel the floor is now open for nominations to Down Town Store Front Improvement Committee.

Roy Roberts nominated William Mays as representative from City Council and moved that City Council representative serve as chairman of the committee. Robert Raines nominated Richard Hurt, Building Inspector to the Committee. Jack Wallace nominated Virginia Stokes as citizen to the committee.

The Mayor declared William Mays as Council representative on this committee, Richard Hurt, Building Official and Virginia Stokes as Citizen on this committee. 14253

Comments by the City Manager - I have three comments - 1. Remind you of picnic scheduled for Sept. 16th at Flag Rock at 6:00 P.M. 2. Milling and Paving on Park Avenue are scheduled to begin Sept. 10th. 3. Cannon has been moved to shop while the base is being rehabilitated. 14254

Councilman Mays inquired as to status of telephone for the park. City Manager Ward advised he would instruct the recreation director to check this out further. 14255

In regard to the Facade Committee, the committee will meet and establish a definition and date of program. The chairman of this committee will make this information public. 14256

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

Cliff Dennis

Mayor

Jo Nisler

Clerk