

June 19, 2019

The Norton City Council met in regular session Wednesday, June 19, 2019, at 5:30 p.m., with Mayor Jim Miller presiding. Council members present were Jerry Jones, Dennis Gilhousen, Robert Bowman, Gerald Jones, and Ron Briery. Donna Foley was absent. Others present were Rick Rostek, Donna Liddle, Dean Liddle, Dan Bainter, Chris Davis, Gerry Cullumber, Karen Griffiths, James Moreau, and Darla Ellis. Rick Rostek gave the invocation.

Motion was made by Dennis Gilhousen and seconded by Robert Bowman to approve the June 5, 2019 city council meeting minutes. Vote taken. Motion carried.

The following building permits were presented:

Church of God - \$ 2,500 - cut in egress window at 1009 Churchill
Robert Hoover - \$ 2,500 - install carport and re-roof at 503 N. Archer
Terry Billings - \$ 1,000 - re-roof porch at 404 N. Second
Dustin Hillebrand - \$ 5,000 - Re-roof structure at 609 Jones Ave.
Doug Strayer - \$ 4,000 - Re-roof structure at 411 E. Main
Josh Wonderly - \$ 8,000 - Re-roof structure at 708 N. Second
Layne Graham - \$35,000 - Construct dwelling addition/garage at 1007 Hartford
Chuck Look - \$ 8,384 - Re-roof structure at 901 Kennedy Drive

Chamber Director Donna Liddle reported their new website is being developed and should be ready soon. They are also working on the new maps for Sebelius Reservoir and Bullseye Media will be taking color and aerial photos for the map.

City Attorney Karen Griffiths reported she is working with the Police Chief to prepare a training reimbursement agreement for future police officers who are hired and are not certified.

City Administrator James Moreau reported the City was notified of the blue green algae warning for Sebelius Reservoir, and immediately commenced the use of the activated carbon-feed equipment which was recently purchased for the treatment of blue green algae issues from the lake water. The City of Norton is working directly with KDHE with an increased sample rate during this time, and all drinking water standards are being continuously met. James also reported on several budgeted items he has recently purchased from Purple Wave.

Motion was made by Gerald Jones and seconded by Robert Bowman to approve the purchase of a Hydra-stop valve inserter for \$38,875 including two days of training from the equipment reserve fund, to allow the City to replace valves and work on water line breaks. Vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Gerald Jones and seconded by Dennis Gilhousen to adopt the Video Service Agreement with Rural Telephone, to begin September 1, 2020 to run until August 1, 2021 and then to have renewable successive 5-year terms, with notice to modify or terminate six months in advance. The term for the notice to modify or terminate and the renewal date are revised to coincide with the Rural Telephone Franchise agreement. Vote taken. Motion carried.

Jerry Jones reported the Parks Committee met and discussed the possibility of acquiring a portion of the NKC railroad right-of-way, and Karen Griffiths is doing further research on the subject.

Dennis Gilhousen reported the Finance Committee met and reviewed the Capital Improvement requests for the 2020 budget, and are still waiting on a few quotes for several requests.

Robert Bowman stated there is a problem at Ward Field with people taking their dogs inside the fenced area and then the fields have to be cleaned up before games can be played. Chief Cullumber stated he will look into this issue.

Motion was made by Dennis Gilhousen and seconded by Robert Bowman to approve Appropriating Ordinance #12. Vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ron Briery to adjourn. Council adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor: _____
James L. Miller