



**NORTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2008**

Roll Call: Ken Braman
Brenda Hlas
Tom Jones
Dennis McGlone
Bill Mowery
Scott Pelot
Mike Zita

Also Present:
Mayor David Koontz
Rick Ryland-Excused
John Moss
Mike Lyons
Jeff Pritchard
Karla Richards
Ann Campbell

The Regular Council Meeting convened on Monday, March 24, 2008 at 7:01 PM, in Council Chambers of the Safety Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Scott Pelot, President of Council, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Mr. Zita moved to remove Ord. #18, 2008 from the table, seconded by Mrs. Hlas.

Roll Call: Yeas: Zita, Hlas, Braman, McGlone, Mowery, Pelot
Nays Jones

Motion passed 6-1.

Mr. Zita moved to amend Ord. #18-2008 to remove the site specific clause as being the Community Center. Mr. McGlone questioned how can an architect design new plans when we don't know for sure where the location would be? Mr. Pelot explained that it makes sense to strike this reference because we do not know exactly where the site would be and we do not know definite costs. Mr. Pelot stated that we need to get an architect involved and they could show us some real figures of what it is going to cost, and what we would be looking at if we either build onto the existing site or build elsewhere. Mr. Pelot stated this would move the process along for the Fire Department. Mr. McGlone asked if Council would be involved in the decision on where the Fire Station would be located? Mayor Koontz stated that Council would be involved in the decision. Mr. Jones indicated that we were not privy to the discussions regarding the Community Center and Ord. #18-2008. Mr. Jones stated that he wants Council to be involved from day one with anyone involved. We are spending \$120,000.00 of the peoples money and we need to know how this is going to be spent. Mr. Jones asked Mr. Pritchard about the lot size of the current Fire Station and Mr. Pritchard replied that he believed it was two (2) acres. Mr. Jones stated that initially we were told it was three (3) acres, so now we have downsized this parcel. Mr. Jones stated that he believed the City owns a lot on St. Rt. 261 at Holiday Drive and the intention was to develop a Fire Station and asked if anyone was aware of that? Mr. Pritchard concurred that this was correct. Mr. Pritchard stated that one half of this parcel is being used for parks or soccer and it is not large enough for this use due to the constraints for on site treatment.

Committee of the Whole continued:

Mr. Jones stated that he thought that if we are talking about selling city property we should also consider this property. Mr. Pritchard stated that you still have the same consideration with the lot size.

Roll Call: Yeas: Zita, Hlas, Braman, McGlone, Mowery, Pelot
Nays: Jones

Motion passed 6-1.

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 10, 2008; Mr. Jones noted one correction on page #5, Ord. #32-2008 where it states Mr. Jones offered, it should be Mrs. Hlas. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Minutes of the Committee Work Session of March 17, 2008; Mr. Pelot indicated that he discussed a few typographical errors with the Clerk and they were corrected. The minutes were approved as written.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Andrew Lehner, a Norton resident, spoke about the upcoming grass mowing season and reminded everyone to keep up with their property. Mr. Lehner stated that he was unable to attend the Town Hall meeting and indicated that he would like a copy of the minutes. *(Note-This was not a Council or a Committee meeting, there are no prepared minutes)*. Mr. Lehner stated that he is a member of a singles group called Young Adults Single Catholic Organization (YASCO). Mr. Lehner stated that he is running for Vice-President and is working on volunteer projects. Mr. Lehner stated that if the city is in need of any type of volunteer work to contact him after the meeting. Mr. Lehner stated that they are also promoting new members for anyone over twenty-one years of age and he could be contacted after the meeting if anyone is interested.

Ms. Rhonda McGuire, the daughter in law of Shirley McGuire, read a statement regarding the Community Center, see attached.

Mr. Jim Lino, a Norton resident, spoke about the Town Meeting that he attended and that he thought this was a good idea and everyone focused the discussion on the Community Center. Mr. Lino discussed the job of a salesman and their duty is to keep the customer focused and interested. Mr. Lino stated that after the meeting he had some things that he would like to have addressed, and hoped the city would be holding another meeting.

Ms. Charlotte Whipkey, a Norton resident, reassured the Fire Dept. and EMS staff and part-timers that any of us who spoke out opposing taking over the Community Center for a new Fire Station, we are not opposed to taking care of the Fire Station, but not at the cost of taking away the Community Center to build it. Ms. Whipkey asked the Fire Dept. and EMS employees to support the community now on this issue, as we supported you for the Fire Levy. Ms. Whipkey stated that we want you to have your new station, just not at the cost of the Community Center.

Communications from the Public continued:

Ms. Whipkey discussed the discrepancy in the report of the number of acres for the current location of the Fire Station from being three (3) acres down to two (2) acres. Ms. Whipkey discussed the talk about the proposed location of a new Community Center being in the grass area off of the parking lot and that she believed this was parkland. Ms. Whipkey stated that there was discussion of having outside restrooms and questioned if this was already covered in our park plans to begin with? Ms. Whipkey discussed the current Community Center cost us \$565,000.00 to build it twenty-one (21) years ago, so how can we build a bigger one at less price than what the last one cost? Ms. Whipkey stated that you guys have a secret of manipulating money somehow and we would all like to know it so we could get in on it. Ms. Whipkey stated that it was stated last week that some employees already got a raise and this would be above and beyond. Ms. Whipkey discussed the Director of Finance and that he was due for a three (3) % raise and she assumed he already got this at the beginning of the year. Ms. Whipkey questioned if this five (5) % was included in that or is this above and beyond? Ms. Whipkey stated that we are at a critical time financially here in Ohio and this is not a time to be passing out excess. We need to cover what we have to and we can worry about increasing things later.

Ms. Gayle Brenner, a Norton resident, spoke about the Town Hall meeting that she attended last week. Ms. Brenner stated that she felt this was a great idea to convert the Community Center into a Fire Station. Ms. Brenner suggested we make the new Community Center bigger and better and that would accommodate more people for larger parties. Ms. Brenner stated that most of the organizations that spoke at the Town Hall meeting use the Community Center free of charge. Ms. Brenner stated that it should not bother them so much by being displaced while a new facility is being built.

Ms. Megan Booth, a Norton resident, spoke regarding her concerns with traffic patterns. Ms. Booth stated that if you move the Fire Dept. to the Community Center you would have to install a separate lane dedicated to that Fire Station. This would also require a new signal and you need to take into account there is a small hill and people are not used to this. Ms. Booth stated that we also need to consider the traffic flow with the two (2) ball fields since this would be the first season. Ms. Booth stated that it just doesn't seem like this is a very well thought out plan. Ms. Booth stated that she was pleased to see that we are looking at other opportunities and applauded Mr. McGlone and Mr. Jones for stating that they want to stay completely involved in the decision process. Ms. Booth thanked Mr. McGlone and Mr. Jones for looking out for the citizens and being involved. Ms. Booth stated that she wants a new Fire Station and we passed a levy for that, and it just needs to be well thought out. Ms. Booth stated that if there is money to build a new Community Center, then there is money there to fix the current one. Ms. Booth discussed the salary issues in a recessionary time, and that raises are generally given out for exemplary performances. Ms. Booth stated that employees may work very hard but questioned if they are exemplary. Ms. Booth stated that she agreed with Mr. Jones and that if the city has extra land not being used, lets sell it and get more money in the coffers.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:

ORD #34-2008

Mr. Zita offered Ord. #34-2008 for it's first reading, and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SCHEDULE OF POSITION TITLES, STATUS, STRENGTH NUMBER, SALARY RATES AND WAGES, AND TO APPROVE THE MODIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF INDIVIDUALS IN CERTAIN POSITIONS FOR 2008.

Mr. Zita moved to waive the second and third readings, seconded by Mrs. Hlas. Mr. Jones stated that this is totally out of hand here. This is the people's money that you want to spend foolishly. Mr. Jones stated that if you proceed with this it would open up the door for negotiations with our safety forces downstairs. They would go to court on this again and say hey look they just gave all of these people raises, we want ours. Mr. Jones stated that he is totally opposed to this and it was on for a first reading only tonight and that is what he expected. Mr. McGlone agreed with Mr. Jones, adding that he was surprised and that was a new one to him and thought it was to go three (3) full readings. Mr. McGlone stated that anytime we have something dealing with money it is supposed to go three (3) full readings. Mr. McGlone stated that he has never seen something so ridiculous, this really threw him for a loop. Mr. McGlone questioned Mr. Moss about working two (2) jobs right now, and that we thought when the city hired Mr. Moss he would be giving up that other job. Mr. McGlone asked Mr. Moss if three (3) % wasn't enough for him? Mr. McGlone stated that Mr. Moss knows the status of this city so what is an extra two (2) % ? Mr. Moss clarified that he has not already received a three (3) % raise this year. Mr. McGlone stated that he felt every one already is getting more that three (3) % because no one is paying anything out for health care. Mr. McGlone stated that free health care is like getting a raise, and his health care increased ten (10) % this year so his three (3) % raise just went out the window. Mr. McGlone stated that he is appalled that we are going to give Ms. Campbell a fourteen (14%) raise. Mayor Koontz stated that this is a step increase due to her increased education, not just a pay raise. Mr. McGlone stated that he understood this, but you have a city in trouble with money right now. Mr. McGlone stated that if the union employees got three (3) % then the non-bargaining employees should get three (3) percent. Mr. McGlone stated that he also has a problem replacing a union job in Finance with a non-union position. Mr. Moss stated that he may have inappropriately used the word replacement when this is a new position. Mr. Moss stated that he did visit with Ms. McCall this week and she is doing very well. Mrs. Hlas stated that she was not on Council then and that what she is about to say has nothing to do with Mrs. Richards' job performance. Mrs. Hlas stated that she does not recall that anyone on Council objected to Mrs. Richards getting raises. Mrs. Hlas stated that she recalled an increase from \$32,000.00 to \$36,000.00 to \$42,000.00 in three(3) years. Tell me that is not at least a fourteen (14) % raise, and not one Council member stated that they were appalled about your Clerk getting a huge raise. Now all of the sudden you have concerns with people getting a three (3) % raise, Mr. Moss getting a five (5)% raise and Ms. Campbell getting a merit raise based on her performance on training she has received. Mrs. Hlas stated that she totally supports these pay raises and that no one received a raise at the beginning of this year. Mrs. Hlas stated that Ms. Campbell was the only one who received a raise at the beginning of this year. Mrs. Hlas indicated that her raise was already set in place by legislation by Council last year.

Ord. #34-2008 continued:

Mr. Mowery stated he felt we are opening up a can of worms here. Mr. Mowery indicated that a few years ago he and Mr. Lyons went around and around about his salary increase. Mr. Mowery stated that if you look at the financial situation we are in, as well as the County and the State, and that he cannot see the reason to force this issue tonight, let it go all three readings. Mr. Mowery stated that sometimes it seems like things are going just way too fast on Council, and it would be best to slow this down a little bit. Mr. Zita stated that he does support this legislation and that the increases would be retroactive to January 1, 2008. It does not matter whether we give it to them now or in another month or two, so there is no reason we cannot give it to them tonight. Mr. McGlone stated that by going all three readings, it gives us time to think if you really want to do it or not. Mr. Zita stated that if this takes you five (5) or six (6) weeks to think about it then go ahead and think. Mr. Jones stated that this has taken himself and Mr. McGlone and Mr. Mowery by surprise with wanting to waive the second and third readings. Mr. Jones agreed with Mr. Mowery's comment about the tough times and that he does not think these two (2) individuals do not warrant a five (5)% increase at this time. Mr. Jones stated that Ms. Campbell did already receive an increase on January 1, 2008 and now you want to give her an increase on top of that. Mr. Jones stated that Mr. Moss is doing a good job when he is here, but he is not here all of the time for his staff. Mr. Jones stated that Mr. Moss is an elected official in Wadsworth as an Auditor and he has to spend time there. Mr. Jones stated that he has a real problem here. Mr. Mowery stated that this shows the citizens we are being sloppy with their money. If we go all three readings, it would give the people time to come to the podium and voice their opinions. Mr. Mowery stated that we need to make sure the money is in place before we start handing it all out. Mayor Koontz stated that he does not believe that the Administration requested that Council waive the readings on this legislation, and we don't have a problem waiting on this. Mayor Koontz stated that he has been very impressed with Mr. Moss and his accountability and expertise in handling the finances of this city and he does support the five (5)% salary increase. Mayor Koontz stated that he understands the great effort it takes Mr. Moss to hold down two (2) positions. Mr. McGlone stated that for two (2) years he has tried to get the Mayor a raise, adding that the Mayor makes a measly \$11,250.00. Mr. McGlone stated that now here we are handing out other raises, and this bothers him. Mr. Zita added that he also supported increasing the Mayors salary. Mr. Pelot reminded everyone that most of these employees on this list had to forego pay raises two (2) years ago when the city issued a wage and hiring freeze. We went to them and told them the money was tight and they received no raises whatsoever.

Roll Call: Yeas: Zita, Hlas, Pelot
 Nays: Braman, Jones, McGlone, Mowery

Motion to waive readings failed by a vote of 4-3. Ord. #34-2008 stands as a first reading only.

RES #36-2008

Mr. Jones offered Res. #26-2008 for it's first reading, and asked the Clerk to read it:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO IMPROVE BERRY, MCGOWAN AND WADSWORTH ROADS BY INSTALLATION OF NEW WATER LINES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

First reading only.

INTRODUCTION OF PRIOR LEGISLATION

Amended ORD #18-2008

Mr. Zita offered Amended Ord. #18-2008 for it's second reading, and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ARCHITECT THOMAS KLINGENSMITH, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000.00, TO DESIGN A NEW FIRE STATION ON THE SITE OF THE EXISTING COMMUNITY CENTER.

Mr. Zita moved to waive the third reading, seconded by Mrs. Hlas. Mr. Jones stated that if we allow the \$120,000.00 for an architect, then the Administration could do with it as they please. Mr. Jones stated that this would allow us to have a suitable location for our new Fire Station. Mr. Jones stated that he does not have a problem with this, however he does have a problem waiving the third reading. Mr. Jones stated that he would like to have more time for the residents to get involved. Mr. Jones stated here we go again, he was not privy to waiving the readings for this or for Ord #34-2008. Mr. Jones stated that he wished Council members would talk with each other prior to the Council meeting to let them know what is going on. Mr. Zita replied that Mr. Jones is not a member of the Property Committee and we are letting you all know about it right now. Mr. Pelot reminded Council about the Ohio Sunshine Law that is in effect and that communication outside this room cannot take place. Mrs. Hlas stated that she was not privy to tabling this a few weeks ago, it came up on the floor and that was the first time she knew about it, so you cannot pick and chose what you want to be privy to. Mr. McGlone asked Mayor Koontz how can we ask an architect to design a Fire Station when we are not sure where the location would be? Mayor Koontz replied that you cannot finish the design without the location, you can get preliminary designs and you can examine the Community Center. Mayor Koontz stated that this is the expertise that we are asking for at this point. Mr. McGlone stated that he just doesn't want to waste the funds if we change locations. Mayor Koontz stated that we will be taking this step by step and taking our time. Mr. McGlone asked to keep Council involved and that he does not want to see any surprises. Mr. Mowery clarified that before any final decisions are made it must come through Council. Mr. Mowery stated that at this point we are only asking for an architect to come in and bounce some ideas off for anything and everything. Mr. Mowery stated that he just wants to know if the conversion of the Community Center is a good idea or not. Mr. McGlone stated that he and Mr. Jones do want to see a new Fire Station and that this is nothing against the Fire Dept. employees. Mr. Jones questioned Mr. Moss when the revenue from the levy would start coming in?

Amended Ord. #18-2008 continued:

Mr. Moss stated that he expected to see some revenue the second half of this year with the same expected pace throughout the life of the levy. Mr. Jones asked if he knew how much the first half of this year would be and Mr. Moss replied no. Mr. Jones asked Mayor Koontz if he has alternate locations in mind other than the Community Center? Mayor Koontz replied that he has a few ideas. Mr. Jones asked how much land is required to put in a station that could last us more than twenty (20) years and he would rather have something that could last more like fifty (50) years. Mayor Koontz replied that from what we have discussed, two (2) acres seems to be adequate. Mr. Jones asked if we could take the current station and open the station on Johnson Road as a secondary station, and build a new station where the present station is today on the back half? Mr. Jones indicated that he thinks we have enough room to build on and he would support spending the \$120,000.00 for the architect to look at the original location. Mayor Koontz stated that he was not sure about building behind or adding to the existing station and expressed his concerns about the logistics during construction. Mr. Jones discussed working with Albrecht and gaining access to the rear parking lot behind the post office. Mr. Jones stated that with this access you could put in a temporary driveway from the back of the current Fire Station. Mr. Moss expressed his concerns with a gas line and the slope of the hill on this area. Mr. Jones stated that his thought was to build a new station at the existing site. Mr. Pelot stated that until we get an architect involved it does not do us much good to be bouncing ideas off of each other. Mayor Koontz stated that we do need to get the professional opinion of an architect. Mr. Braman reminded everyone that wherever we build the new station, we need to keep adequate space to add the Police Dept. on the same premises. Mr. Braman stated that it is very important to keep our safety forces in the same building.

Roll Call: Yeas: Zita, Hlas, Braman, Mowery, Pelot
Nays: Jones, McGlone

Motion passed 5-2.

Mr. Zita moved to adopt Amended Ord. #18-2008, seconded by Mrs. Hlas. Mr. McGlone stated that the reason he is voting no is because he does not feel we have a strong plan, it seems fuzzy to him at this point. Mr. Mowery stated that this is why it's a good idea to get the architect in here now to lead us in the right direction. Mr. Zita stated that no one is going to give us a plan for free.

Roll Call: Yeas: Zita, Hlas, Braman, Mowery, Pelot
Nays: Jones, McGlone

Motion passed 5-2.

ORD #31-2008

Mr. Jones offered Ord. #31-2008 for it's second reading, and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH RAFTELIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES TO EVALUATE THE CITY OF NORTON'S SEWER AND WATER ACCESS FEES.

Second reading only.

ORD #32-2008

Mrs. Hlas offered Ord. #32-2008 for it's second reading, and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF NORTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008.

Second reading only.

ORD #35-2008

Mr. Jones offered Ord. #35-2008 for it's second reading, and asked the Clerk to read it:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 1060 OF THE CITY OF NORTON'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH AS A CONDITION OF A WASTE HAULER'S LICENSE, A LIMIT ON THE TIME DURING WHICH RECYCLABLES, REFUSE AND WASTE MATERIALS OF ANY KIND MAY BE PICKED UP WITHIN THE CITY

Second reading only.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Mayor Koontz stated that on March 10, 2008 he had to leave our Council meeting because he was invited to attend the Barberton Council meeting along with Mayor Bolas from New Franklin. Mayor Koontz stated that he would be inviting Mayor Genet and Mayor Bolas to one of our Council meetings sometime in April.

Mr. Moss responded to the comments made that the five (5) % was not warranted and that he was not available for his staff. Mr. Moss indicated that his staff is very competent, they are trained and are good at what they do. Mr. Moss indicated that he does not need to look over their shoulders every minute. Mr. Moss stated that if you know of any needs or deficiencies that need addressed, he would address them. Mr. Moss stated that the two (2) % increase causes some concerns and that is acceptable. Mr. Moss stated that he was also concerned about the statement made about the city secretly manipulates money and we don't follow the laws with respect to spending the citizens money. Mr. Moss suggested that if residents are concerns they could contact 1-866-FRAUDOH or 1-866-372-8364 and the State Auditors website at www.auditor.state.oh.us. Mr. Moss stated that here you could report any fraud in government. This would be reviewed and investigated.

Reports from Officers, Boards and Commissions:

Mr. Moss encouraged anyone who feels they have the basis to report anything, to contact these offices. Mr. Moss stated that if you do not have anything to support such a basis that everyone should keep your comments in such a way that it does not suggest some underlying fraud or problem on our books. Mr. Pelot asked Mr. Moss to explain who did receive raises effective January 1, 2008. Mr. Moss stated that most of the raises are covered under union contracts and others are addressed by ordinances. Mr. Moss stated that the exceptions are the Clerk of Council and the Assistant Clerk of Council because those raises were addressed in prior legislation and have been followed. Mr. Moss clarified that there is no provision for raises nor have there been any raises for the other non-bargaining employees this year. Mr. Moss stated that what you are looking at are the exceptions; one for himself as an additional two (2) % and the merit raise for Ms. Campbell.

Mr. Lyons indicated that he did file Councils resolution objecting to the Barberton-Norton MAD expansion and provided the Clerk with a copy. Mr. Lyons stated that the hearing is set for March 31, 2008 and April 1, 2008. Mr. Lyons indicated that the court has appointed a sitting Judge so there would not be a delay. Mr. Lyons indicated that there was a status hearing held a week ago, and that the cities and townships have requested a continuance. They also objected to Mr. Harrison's representation of the district because he also planned to be a witness in this case. Mr. Harrison has withdrawn as Council for the MAD and Mr. Mr. Lynsenko has made an appearance to represent the MAD in that regard. Mr. Lyons discussed the ongoing licensing issue with the Barberton Health Dept. and the Summit C & D Landfill and advised that the Ohio EPA has filed a motion to intervene. Mr. Lyons indicated that he felt we were close to coming to final terms of the license, and this new filing brings a new level to this. Mr. Lyons discussed Ord #28-2008 to amend the appropriations for the architect expense and the specific language reflecting the site specific to the former location of the Community Center. Mr. Lyons indicated that it would be appropriate for Council to amend this to not be so specific to the location.

Mr. Pelot indicated that Mr. Binic was excused and that he had no report to offer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Jones discussed the open position of the Law Director and the resignation of Mr. Lyons effective on Saturday March 22, 2008. Mr. Jones asked if Mr. Lyons is working for the same hourly rate as before? Mayor Koontz stated that Mr. Lyons agreed to extend his contract at the same rate until this position is filled.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Jones stated that as the Ward One representative, he asked Mayor Koontz about the status of the road program. Mayor Koontz stated that he is working on this and would have a complete list of roads shortly. Mr. Jones stated that years ago each Ward Councilperson provided the Administration with a listing of roads they felt needed repaired. Mr. Jones stated his listing of roads to be as followed: Lakeland, Clubside, Harris, Middlehurst, Hilliard, Rush and Flesher. Mr. Jones suggested that the other Ward Council members submit their listing. Mr. Jones stated that this year he believed that we are addressing twenty-five (25) miles this year. Mr. Moss stated that includes five (5) miles of St. Rt. 261 and the State has decided to push this into next year.

New Business continued:

Mr. Jones stated that we also have to come up with \$400,000.00 for this repair to St. Rt. 261. Mr. Jones stated that he has been talking with District Four to get this pushed ahead. Mr. Moss cautioned doing this because if it gets pushed ahead then this would degrade the available money for other roads this year and we may have to look at borrowing money for roads in the future. Mayor Koontz stated that in addition to the constantly rising costs of materials, most of the repairs are more expensive because of the damage to the bases of many of the roads.

Mrs. Hlas asked if we should wait on addressing Ord. 28-2008 until we see what the architect comes up with. Mr. Lyons stated that the fund has already been created and the money is there, however the language is specific and if you do change the site from the Community Center you will need to amend this. Mr. Pelot suggested adding this to the next Work Session agenda for April 7, 2008.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Pelot reminded everyone that there is no Council or Committee meeting on Monday, however the Annual Council and Administration Workshop will be held starting at 6:30 PM.

Mayor Koontz discussed the FEMA meeting, (see attached) and the Norton Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 19, 2008 starting at 8:00 Am (see attached).

ADJOURN:

There being no other business to come before the Regular Council Meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM

Scott Pelot, President of Council

I, Karla Richards, CMC-Clerk of Council for the City of Norton, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were approved at a Regular Council Meeting held on April 14, 2008

Karla Richards, CMC-Clerk of Council

****NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE NOT VERBATIM****

All Council & Committee Meetings will be held at the Norton Safety Administration Building, unless otherwise noted. If you do not have access to Time-Warner Channel #15, you may request to view a copy of any VHS recorded meeting in Council Chambers. Please contact Ann Campbell in the Administration office to make the necessary arrangements at (330) 825-7815 ext. 14.