



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

February 21, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER: Joshua J. Kuhl, Mayor
Mayor Kuhl called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Marlene Harris.
Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Marlene Harris.
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta M. York, City Clerk
Physically present: Gayle Glumac, Kaleb Wright, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris
Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks, and Clerk Rosetta M. York
Absent: Larry Brooks, RJ Lindemann and Attorney William Heap
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Delete #9c and #13 delete sale of real estate
Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Harris, to adopt the proposed agenda.
Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Blake, Harris
Nays: None
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of February 7, 2023:
Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Wright, to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2023 meeting of the Newton City Council.
Ayes: Wright, Blake, Harris, Kuhl
Nays: None
Abstain: Glumac
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Mayor reported on Alderman Lindemann's review of the pre-pays in the amount of \$235,764.45 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and Harris made a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$199,746.03. Glumac seconded the motion.
Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Wright
Nays: None
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: **None**
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: Electric Committee Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM
Electric Committee Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM
Glumac.
Present: Gayle Glumac, Matt Tarr, Tyler Weber, Mellissa Brooks, Rosie York, Marlene Harris, Kaleb Wright, Josh Kuhl and Brenda Phillips
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.
 - BHMG was on Zoom at the meeting.
 - With a new contract coming in 2024 with Illinois Power Marketing and looking at prices increase in material. We are going to do some research to see how we can best service and maintain the City of Newton.
 - The Decatur St. substation is past the life expectancy of a substation and is starting to show age in the transformer oil samples. It will take 2½ years to get new transformer and build a new substation.
 - Ten Vision Metering meters have been installed in the city as a trial and test run to check compatibility with the equipment the city uses now.
 - Discussed the 5-year plan for the Electric Department.
 - Adjourned at 9:15 PM
9. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. Consider and act on Ordinance 23-03 Adopting a Code of Ordinances for the City of Newton, Illinois. (This is an update of the State of Illinois mandates. The City of Newton does this between 5 to 10 years from the last update. The last update was in 2015.).
Motion was made by Wright, seconded by Harris, to pass Ordinance 23-03 Adopting a Code of Ordinances for the City of Newton, Illinois.
Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Wright, Blake
Nays: None
 - b. Consider and act on Ordinance 23-04 Vacating the Alley between Lots 56, 77 And 78 of Picquets Addition in The City of Newton, Jasper County, Illinois.
Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Wright, to pass 23-04 Vacating the Alley between Lots 56, 77 And 78 of Picquets Addition in The City of Newton, Jasper County, Illinois.
Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Blake, Harris
Nays: None
 - c. ~~Consider and act on the bids to do the Ochs Ave. Project. (Bid opening is 2/21/23 at 10:00 AM.)~~
10. NEW BUSINESS:



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- a. Consider and act on passing Resolution 23-03 concerning Closed Session Minutes.
- b. Consider and act on passing Resolution 23-04 Authorizing the Destruction of Closed Meetings Sessions tapes between 2/2/2021 to 7/20/2021.

Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Harris, to table 10a and 10b until after the Executive Session.

Ayes: Wright, Blake, Harris, Glumac

Nays: None

11. STATEMENTS BY:

Glumac: Thanks to all of the City employees for the work they do.

Wright: No comments

Mayor for Lindemann: Explained to the council that he has reviewed and approved the billing adjustment report.

Blake: No comments

Harris: There were no bids for the Ochs Ave. Connor and Connor are looking for other solutions.

City Treasurer: No Comments

City Clerk: The 2023 Revised Code of Ordinances will be mailed soon.

Mayor: Reminded the Committee Chairman to meet with their Department Heads to work on the 2023-24 Budget.

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: March 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Finance/Audit Committee Meeting on March 7, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, ~~sale of real estate,~~ personnel and closed session minutes

Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Harris, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, personnel and closed session minutes to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.

Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Wright

Nays: None

Open session suspended at 6:23 PM

Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to go out of closed session and back into open session.

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Wright, Blake

Nays: None

Open session resumed at 7:10 PM.

Josh Kuhl announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, personnel and closed session minutes.

10 a. Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to pass Resolution 23-03 Closed Session Minutes.

Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Blake, Harris

Nays: None

10 b. Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to pass Resolution 23-04 Authorizing the Destruction of Closed Meetings Sessions audio recording.

Ayes: Wright, Blake, Harris, Glumac

Nays: None

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Wright, to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Wright

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.

Submitted by Rosetta M. York

ACCOUNTS PAYABLES February 22, 2023

ZONING

Card Service Center	\$6.95
Total Zoning	\$6.95

STREET

Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$1,129.00
Card Service Center	\$74.50
Connor & Connor Consulting Engineers	\$718.69
Cintas	\$55.58
Jasper County Health Department	\$165.00
Martin's IGA	\$47.70
McCoy Construction & Forestry, Inc.	\$344.89
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$33.44
Pennington Chevrolet Buick	\$146.00
Terminix International	\$28.33
Wabash Valley Service Co.	\$171.32
Total Street	\$2,914.45

POLICE

AT&T	\$256.92
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$227.95
Card Service Center	\$632.90
Cintas Corporation	\$117.61
Cintas	\$47.93
County of Jasper	\$11,461.01
Clint Crossen	\$1,300.00
Dollar General Corporation	\$46.50
Ron Heltsley	\$425.00
Hometown Register	\$4.21
Jasper Clothiers	\$117.00
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$660.00
Jansen's Heating & Air Conditioning	\$101.00
Lorenz Supply Company	\$99.72
Kim Muska	\$389.42
Kelsey McClure	\$389.42
Judy McClure's Signs & Graphics	\$645.00
Jasper County Sheriff's Office	\$3,888.00
Terminix International	\$30.00
Technology Management Revolving Fund	\$265.62
Verizon Wireless	\$98.86
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$1,400.00
Wabash Valley Service Company	\$1,075.23
Total Police	\$23,679.30

CEMETERY

Hometown Register	\$8.40
Kirchner Building Centers	\$8.99
Total Cemetery	\$17.39

PARK

Card Service Center	\$74.10
Dollar General Corporation	\$21.75
Hometown Register	\$12.63
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$4.74
Jasper County Health Department	\$165.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$68.71
Wabash Valley Service & Co.	\$129.40
Total Park	\$476.33

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Card Service Center	\$138.48
Connor & Connor Consulting Engineers	\$315.82
Dollar General Corporation	\$13.50
Gingers' Gardens & Gifts	\$67.50
Hometown Register	\$13.95
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$55.00
Jasper County Credit Bureau	\$60.00
Kemper Technology Consulting	\$465.50
Lorenz Supply Company	\$99.72
Kelsey McClure	\$389.43
Kim Muska	\$389.43

G.F. Cont	
Office Essentials	\$254.40
Office Three Sixty, Inc.	\$183.96
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$1,080.44
SCIRP&DC	\$1,250.00
Terminix International	\$30.00
Verizon Wireless	\$1.63
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$612.50
Rosetta York	\$169.27
Total General Administration	<u>\$5,590.53</u>

<u>POOL</u>	
Card Service Center	\$20.54
	<u>\$20.54</u>

TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS \$32,705.49

<u>EMA</u>	
County of Jasper	\$69.81
Total EMA	<u>\$69.81</u>

<u>MFT</u>	
Connor & Connor Consulting Engineers	\$1,800.00
Total MFT	<u>\$1,800.00</u>

<u>CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT</u>	
Hometown Register	\$4.21
Total Cap Dev	<u>\$4.21</u>

<u>TIF</u>	
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$437.50
Rosetta York	\$90.00
Total TIF	<u>\$527.50</u>

TOTAL SPECIALS \$2,401.52

<u>ELECTRIC</u>	
BHMG Engineers, Inc.	7,425.14
Brownstown Electric Supply	\$2,703.78
Card Service Center	\$746.18
Cintas	\$106.34
Cummins Sales and Service	\$457.19
Huddleston Supply, Inc.	\$202.08
JM Test Systems, Inc.	\$337.75
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$330.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$74.93
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$1,123.91
Online Information Services	\$20.85
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$1,080.45
Pennington Chevrolet Buick	\$36.50
Terminix International	\$28.33
United Systems & Software, Inc.	\$5,256.56
Vision Metering, LLC.	\$500.00
Wabash Valley Service Co.	\$255.94
Total Electric	<u>\$20,685.93</u>

<u>WATER</u>	
A-J Welding & Steel, Inc.	\$15.00
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$1,593.65
Bradford Supply Co.	\$445.67
Card Service Center	\$506.00
Connor & Connor Consulting Engineers	\$61,205.00
Core & Main LP	\$211.86
EJ Water Cooperative, Inc.	\$54.00
Hach Company	\$4,312.52
Hacker Well & Pump	\$38,737.62
Hawkins, Inc.	\$359.56
Hometown Register	\$128.65
IMCO Utility Supply Co.	\$5,878.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$283.34
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$220.00

Water Cont.	
Kirchner Building Centers	\$73.48
Midwest Meter, Inc.	\$5,125.00
Online Information Services	\$20.86
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$1,080.45
R.E. Pedrotti Company	\$2,431.82
Schulte Supply	\$850.36
SCIRP&DC	\$2,500.00
United Systems & Software, Inc.	\$5,256.56
Verizon Wireless	\$20.55
Wabash Valley Service Co.	\$579.28
Total Water	\$131,889.23

WWT

American Solutions for Business	\$236.61
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$25.00
Card Service Center	\$506.00
Cintas	\$33.88
Coe Equipment, Inc.	\$58.85
Huddleston Supply, Inc.	\$8.50
Jasper Clothiers	\$26.95
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$34.73
Jasper County Health Department	\$220.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$46.36
Midwest Tractor Sales, Inc.	\$826.96
McClane Motor Sales, Inc.	\$55.25
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$226.96
Online Information Services	\$20.85
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$1,080.45
Pennington Chevrolet Buick	\$54.50
City of Robinson WWTF	\$128.00
Schulte Supply	\$634.49
Terminix International	\$28.34
United Systems & Software, Inc.	\$5,256.57
USA BlueBook	\$272.32
Verizon Wireless	\$49.13
Vandevanter Engineering	\$1,654.50
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$300.00
Wabash Valley Service Co.	\$278.66
Total WWT	\$12,063.86

TOTAL PAYABLES= \$199,746.03

General Fund

Verizon Wireless	\$99.89
Chelsea Glosser	\$404.65
Police Petty Cash	\$66.35
Ameren Illinois	\$1,608.34
Sparklight	\$628.43
LIUNA National Pension Fund	\$2,607.98
Morrow Brothers Ford Inc.	\$48,190.00
Jeremy Haycraft	\$15.06
Riley Britton	\$130.71
City of Newton	\$1,000.26
William Heap	\$150.00
Illinois Department of Agriculture	\$60.00
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	\$54,961.67

INS A

The Standard Insurance Co.	\$201.29
Standard Insurance Company	\$175.00
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	\$376.29

Payroll

Hadley Zumbahlen	\$42.61
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	\$112.00
The Standard	\$320.12
State Disbursement Unit	\$86.76
Local 1197 Union Secretary Treasurer	\$1,024.00
Standard Insurance Co.	\$98.52
AFLAC	\$951.50
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	\$2,635.51

Specials

Symetra Life Insurance Co.	\$65,350.00
Trustmark Health Benefits, Inc.	\$1,128.01
City of Newton	\$22.29
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	\$66,500.30

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JEDI	\$354.78
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Electric

Ameren Illinois	\$472.26
Sparklight	\$108.80
Newton Post Office	\$177.43
Norris Electric Coop	\$136.18
City of Newton	\$280.37
Matt Tarr	\$309.24
Illinois Power Marketing	\$100,853.51
Illinois Department of Agriculture	\$60.00
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	\$102,397.79

WATER

Verizon Wireless	\$20.55
Sparklight	\$86.26
Ameren Illinois	\$570.83
Newton Post Office	\$177.43
City of Newton	\$1,618.31
UPS	\$45.68
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	\$2,519.06

WWT

Brent Benefiel	\$65.00
Verizon Wireless	\$49.13
Ameren Illinois	\$435.46
Sparklight	\$90.48
Newton Post Office	\$177.43
City of Newton	\$5,176.55
Scott Rubsam	\$25.00
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	\$6,019.05

Total Prepays =

 \$235,764.45