

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 6, 2008, 5:30 P.M.  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The City Council of Newton, Iowa met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. on the above date in the Council Chambers at 101 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street South. Mayor Allen presided. Present: Council members Plumb, Hansen, Ewing, Foreman, Morris, Mullan. Absent: None.

There was no citizen participation.

Moved by Foreman, seconded by Ewing to approve consent agenda items 2-4.

2. Approve September 15, 2008 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes and September 25, 2008 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.
3. Approve Cigarette permit submitted from Scoreboard, 122 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue East.
4. Approve Special Class C Liquor License, Carryout Wine, Sunday Sales, AmericInn, 4401 South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street East and Approve Class C Liquor License, Sunday Sales, The Manhattan, 113 First Avenue East.

AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Consent agenda approved.

Mayor Allen stated this was the time place for a public hearing on a Resolution Instituting Proceedings To Take Additional Action For The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$2,125,000 General Obligation Bonds. There had been no written comments submitted. There were no oral comments from the citizens. Scott Stephenson, Ruan Securities, noted that the current situation in municipal bonds is still strong despite the economy and that the City of Dubuque had a successful bond sale today. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Mullan to close the public hearing. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Public hearing closed. Moved by Morris, seconded by Mullan to introduce a Resolution Instituting Proceedings To Take Additional Action For The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$2,125,000 General Obligation Bonds. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008-122 adopted.

Mayor Allen stated this was the time place for a public hearing on a Resolution Instituting Proceedings To Take Additional Action For The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$295,000 General Obligation Bonds. There had been no written comments submitted. There were no oral comments from the citizens. Moved by Foreman, seconded by Ewing to close the public hearing. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Public hearing closed. Moved by Ewing, seconded by Mullan to introduce a Resolution Instituting Proceedings To Take Additional Action For The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$295,000 General Obligation Bonds. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008-123 adopted.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Plumb to Introduce a Resolution Authorizing Publication Of Notice Of Public Hearing On Sale Of Property Located At 801 South Fifth Avenue West Through The City Of Newton Dangerous And Dilapidated Building Program. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008 – 124 adopted.

Moved by Foreman, seconded by Hansen to Introduce a Resolution Paying Elim Care, Inc. \$40,185 Tax Rebate Per Development Agreement. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008 – 125 adopted.

Moved by Morris, seconded by Foreman to Introduce a Resolution Approving Submission Of Grant Application to Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008 – 126 adopted.

Moved by Foreman, seconded by Ewing to Introduce a Resolution Approving 28E Agreement With The State Of Iowa Alcoholic Beverage Division Of The Department Of Commerce Supporting Tobacco Compliance Checks AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008 – 127 adopted.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Ewing to Introduce a Resolution Accepting Work On The Iowa Speedway Street Projects Wetland Mitigation Area Project. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008-128 adopted.

Moved by Plumb, seconded by Ewing to Introduce a Resolution Ordering Bids, Approving Plans, Specifications And Form Of Contract And Notice To Bidder, And Ordering Clerk To Publish Notice And Fixing Date For Receiving The Same, And For A Public Hearing On Plans, Specifications, Form Of Contract And Estimate Of Costs For The East 8<sup>th</sup> Street North Project. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution No. 2008-129 adopted.

Mayor Allen stated this was time for a discussion of the Fire Department Roof. Interim City Administrator Wardlow noted that numerous leaks have been reported in both the City Hall and Fire Department roofs. He stated that the Building Official went up with Wood Roofing to look at the roofs and then they all met to discuss it. The City Hall roof has some years left in it with the repairs that were just done but the Fire roof needs replaced. Mel Duncan, Building Office, noted that the Fire roof needs to be replaced and had outlived its life by about 10 years. It could be patched but you would be patching patches and there is not guarantee that that would work but it could get it by until the spring. Further discussion ensued and Council agreed to let the Interim City Administrator go ahead and make the \$3,500 worth of repairs for the short term. Council member Morris stated that he couldn't agree to put a new roof on the Fire Department when the Council had not done anything about the front entrance to City Hall. Interim City Administrator Wardlow stated that the front entrance was part of our CIP budget process. Further discussion on the front entrance ensued and Council agreed that they would like to have staff get some quotes on repairing the front entrance.

Mayor Allen stated this was a time for discussion of the Maytag Bowl Project. Denny Slings, Park and Recreation Director, stated that they had organized a fundraising committee and have identified some funding sources for the project. He noted that they would like to apply for a CAT grant but were looking for direction from the Council because the CAT grant requires City support. He noted that the CAT grant can be applied for quarterly with the next one being due by January 15. Frank Liebl, member of the fundraising committee, stated that they were hoping to get 50% of the project paid for by the CAT grant but that the grants have been suspended at this time but were hopefully being reinstated after the first of the year. He stated that the project stands at around 2 million dollars for all 3 phases. Further discussion ensued on the project and the CAT grant. Council asked that the portion that the committee is asking the City for be brought back to the Council during the CIP and budgeting process.

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Moved by Plumb, seconded by Foreman to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.

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Charles Allen, Mayor

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Jayme Ewing  
Deputy City Clerk