

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 16TH, 2020, 6:00 P.M.  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The City Council of Newton, Iowa met in regular session at 6:00 P.M. on the above date in the Council Chambers at 101 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street South. Mayor Hansen presided. Present Council Members: Hallam, Stonner, George, Ervin, Mullan. Absent: Trotter.

Mayor Hansen asked everyone present to join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

During citizen participation Nicole Lindstrom, Library Director spoke regarding the temporary closing of the Library due Covid-19.

Guest speaker Erin Yeager, Director Main Street postponed their presentation to a time when their volunteers can participate.

Moved by Stonner, seconded by Mullan to approve consent agenda items 4-12.

4. March 2, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
5. Approve liquor license for the following: In & Out Market 3, LLC, DBA Petro Stop, Renewal, 404 S 11th Ave W, LE0003197, Class E Liquor License (LE), Class B Wine Permit (Carryout Wine – Includes Native Wine), Class C Beer Permit (Carryout Beer), Sunday Sales.
6. Resolution reappointing Gary Johnson to serve on the Civil Service Commission for a term ending April 1, 2024. Resolution 2020-061 adopted.
7. Resolution Fixing the Amounts to be assessed against individual private properties for the abatement of nuisance violations (Schedule No. 20-01). Resolution 2020-062 adopted.
8. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a snowplow truck with wing and belly scraper for the Public Works Department. Resolution 2020-063 adopted.
9. Resolution approving HVAC upgrades to City Hall Control System. Resolution 2020-064 adopted.
10. Resolution repealing the 2019 City of Newton Supplemental Specifications to the 2019 editions of the SUDAS Standard Specifications and the SUDAS Design Manual; and adopting the 2020 editions of both the SUDAS Standard Specifications and SUDAS Design Manual along with the 2020 City of Newton Supplemental Specifications to said 2020 editions of the SUDAS Standard Specifications and SUDAS Design Manual. Resolution 2020-065 adopted.
11. Resolution approving an agreement with Bright Knight Group for the 2020 Newton Fest concert on Thursday, June 11. Resolution 2020-066 adopted.

12. Approve Bills

AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Consent agenda items approved.

Mayor Hansen stated that this is the time and place for a Public Hearing on an Ordinance designating the name “John Jenkins CFLA Drive” for existing roadway in the City of Newton, Jasper County, Iowa There were no written comments. Moved by Hallam, seconded by Stonner to close the public hearing. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. The public hearing was closed. Moved by Ervin, seconded by Mullan to approve the first consideration of the Ordinance. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. First Consideration was approved.

Mayor Hansen stated that this is the time and place for a Public Hearing on a Resolution Approving the 2020-21 Operating Budget for the City of Newton. There were no written comments. Moved by George, seconded by Stonner, to close the public hearing. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. The public hearing was closed. Moved by Mullan, seconded by Stonner to adopt the resolution. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Resolution 2020-067 adopted.

Mayor Hansen stated that this is the time and place for a Public Hearing on an Ordinance Amending The Code Of Ordinances, City Of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title V Public Works, By Adding Chapter 53 Stormwater Utility. There were no written comments. Moved by Mullan, seconded by George, to close the public hearing. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. The public hearing was closed. Moved by Stonner, seconded by Mullan to adopt the first consideration of the ordinance. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. First Consideration was approved.

Mayor Hansen stated that this is the time and place for a Public Hearing on an Ordinance amending and updating the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, Title XV: Land Usage, Chapter 158, Zoning, Towers and Wind Energy Conversion Systems. There were no written comments. Community Development Director Erin Chambers indicated that this was related to 5G and the FCC’s need to separate towers and wind systems in the code. Moved by George, seconded by Hallam, to close the public hearing. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. The public hearing was closed. Moved by George, seconded by Hallam to adopt the first consideration of the ordinance. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. First Consideration was approved.

Mayor Hansen stated that this is the time and place for a Public Hearing on an Ordinance amending and updating The Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title XV: Land Usage, Chapter 158: Zoning. There were no written comments. Moved by Mullan, seconded by Stonner, to close the public hearing. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. The public hearing was closed. Moved by George, seconded by Hallam to adopt the first consideration of the ordinance. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. First Consideration was approved.

Moved by George, seconded by Stonner to approve the First Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title VII, Chapter 70, Section 70.15, “Traffic and Parking Schedules Adopted by Reference”, to make changes to street parking in the 300 block of East Second Street North and the 200 block of North Fourth Avenue East. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. First Consideration was approved.

Moved by Stonner, seconded by Mullan to approve the First Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title VII, Chapter 70, Section 70.15, "Traffic and Parking Schedules Adopted by Reference", to make changes to street parking on N 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave W 400-500 blocks. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. First Consideration was approved.

Agenda items:

25. Resolution approving Bond Purchase Agreement for the sale of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2020A thereunder. (Council Report 20-072)

26. Resolution approving Bond Purchase Agreement for the sale of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2020B thereunder. (Council Report 20-073)

Were postponed due to the uncertainty of the economy at this time. It will be readdress at a later date.

Moved by George, seconded by Stonner to adopt a Resolution approving lease for office space at Legacy Plaza, Building 18, 403 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street North, between the City of Newton and Des Moines Area Community College. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Resolution 2020-068 adopted.

During the staff report Community Services Manager, Brian Laube, presented a 2019 Nuisance Recap.

During Mayor/Council Comments Mayor Hansen spoke regarding Covid-19. The City has the public's safety in mind and wants to keep staff protected. If you are ill stay home and wash your hands frequently. Please follow CDC recommendations and the public can get information by calling 211.

It was moved by Mullan, seconded by Hallam to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 P.M. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.

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Michael L. Hansen, Mayor

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Katrina Davis, City Clerk