

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 15, 2019, 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, Chapé, Trotter, Mullan. Absent: None.

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

During citizen participation Dixie Casady 815 W 6<sup>th</sup> St S; Jerry Kelley 611 S 5<sup>th</sup> Ave W; Max Tipton 1903 S 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E spoke regarding issues with fireworks. A request was made to reduce the time to 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. and to ban aerial in residential areas. Mike Duffus 2007 E 12<sup>th</sup> St S. spoke in regards to Alliant Energy's rate increase and in opposition of the franchise.

David Hyatt, President of the Iowa Speedway updated council on the changes to the business strategy to become more visible. He spoke on upcoming events and presented a status update of the racetrack.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by Chapé to approve consent agenda items 4-13.

4. July 1, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
5. Approve Liquor License for the following: Hy-Vee Club Room, LC0044764, 1501 1st Ave. E., , Class C Liquor License, Class B Wine Permit, Catering Privilege, Sunday Sales, Outdoor Service; Hy-Vee Gas, BC0029242, 1421 1st Ave. E., Class C Beer Permit, Sunday Sales; Walgreens, change in ownership, LE0002171, 1204 1st Ave. E., Class E Liquor License, Class B Wine Permit, Class C Beer Permit, Sunday Sales.
6. Resolution Levying the Amounts to be assessed against individual private property for the abatement of nuisance violations (Schedule No. 19-03). Resolution 2019-138 adopted.
7. Resolution awarding a contract for the 2019 Westwood Golf Course Vault Restroom Project. Resolution 2019-139 adopted.
8. Resolution ordering bids, approving plans, specifications and form of contract and notice to bidders, and ordering clerk to publish notice and fixing a date for receiving same, and for a public hearing on plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of costs for the 1st Ave E (Hwy 6) HMA Resurfacing Project (from approx. 300' West of E 14th St to Iowa Speedway Dr.) Resolution 2019-140 adopted.
9. Resolution approving the donation of golf passes for prizes at the inaugural Newton Charity Classic Golf Tournament. Resolution 2019-141 adopted.
10. Resolution approving the purchase of a Tee Mower for Westwood Golf Course. Resolution 2019-142 adopted.
11. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Work Cart for West Wood Golf Course. Resolution 2019-143 adopted.
12. Resolution renewing the insurance package with Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP). Resolution 2019-144 adopted.
13. Approve Bills  
AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Consent agenda items approved.

Mayor Hansen stated that this is the time and place for a Public Hearing on a ordinance repealing Newton, Iowa Code of Ordinances 2011 Title 5, Chapter 43, Article 2 - Electric Franchise; and adding Title 11, Chapter 118 - Electric Franchise to Newton Code of Ordinances 2016, granting to Interstate Power and Light Company, its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive twenty-five year franchise to acquire, construct, erect, maintain and operate an electric system in the City of Newton, Iowa and to furnish and sell electric energy to the city and its inhabitants. There were no written comments. Moved by Hallam, seconded by George, to close the public hearing. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. The public hearing was closed. Moved by Hallam, seconded by George to adopt the first consideration of the ordinance. Brian Laube, Community Services Manager, stated the changes to the agreement would include requiring restoration work to City standards, a no-cost right of way permit, clearance for tree removal in the right of way, regulations on hanging banners, and language regarding opening the agreement in the event of a franchise fee. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. First Consideration passed.

Moved by Chapé, seconded by Mullan to adopt a Resolution adopting the City of Newton Training Plan for Emergency Management. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution 2019-145 adopted.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by George to adopt Resolution approving a contract for professional services with the Newton Housing Development Corporation beginning July 15, 2019 and ending June 30, 2021. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution 2019-146 adopted.

Moved by Chapé, seconded by Mullan to adopt a Resolution approving amendment to the contract for the consulting services of the Office of the State Archeologist for the completion of the National Register of Historic Places Nomination of Two Residential Historic Districts along First Avenue East and West. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution 2019-147 adopted.

During staff reports, Katrina Davis provided an Administration update.

During Mayor/Council Comments Mayor Hansen indicated that he met a former Newton resident while on vacation in Branson, Mo who is now a professional entertainer and won the 2019 Drummer of the Year in Branson. He reminded citizens that Coffee with the Mayor would be held on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by Mullan to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 P.M. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.

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Michael L. Hansen, Mayor

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Katrina Davis, City Clerk