

AGENDA

NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY, March 21, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Newton City Hall

108 N. Van Buren

Newton, IL 62448

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Eric Blake
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta York, City Clerk
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of March 7, 2017
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: None
8. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a) Consider and act on Dues and Donation distribution funds.
 - b) Consider and act on approving May 19 and 20, 2017 for "City Wide Clean Up" dates.
 - c) Consider and act on 17- 01 Ordinance Amend Section 25 Article II – Weeds.
 - d) Consider and act on 17- 04 Resolution Induce Development of Biofuels Production Facility located within the City of Newton Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area No. 1.
 - e) Consider and act on 17-02 Ordinance Amending the TIF Ordinance.
9. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Consider and act on pursuing a housing rehabilitation grant in 2017.
 - b. Consider and act on each household that completes the housing survey will receive a \$2.00 credit on their utility bill and an additional \$3.00 will be credited to their utility account if the completed Comprehensive Plan questionnaire is also completed returned. (only a completed questionnaire will qualify for the credit)
 - c. Consider and act on entering into a grant writing services agreement with SCIRP&DC for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for housing rehabilitation.
 - d. Consider and act on not raising water rates.
 - e. Consider and act on not raising wastewater rates.
 - f. Consider and act on not raising electric rates.
 - g. Consider and act on hiring an as needed part-time billing and collector employee.
 - h. Consider and act on entering into an agreement with Milano and Grunloh Engineering to apply for 2017 IDRN Federal Recreational Trail Grant.
 - i. Consider and act on hiring one summertime employee for the Electric Department.
 - j. Consider and act on approving opening the yard waste facility to be open the first and third Saturdays from 8:00 AM to noon beginning April 1, 2017, under the landscape waste collection site rules.
10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

Police Committee and Dues and Donations on March 8, 2017
Finance Committee March 14, 2017
11. STATEMENTS BY: Council Members, City Attorney, City Treasurer, City Clerk (Wastewater PO), Mayor
12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 4, 2017 at 6:00 PM
SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: none
13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and personnel
14. ADJOURNMENT