



# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

January 5, 2021

Meeting was moved to the Newton Police Department garage.

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.**
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta York, City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Robert Reisner, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Larry Brooks**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Clerk Rosetta York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Add to #6 Doug Oliver, David Webster, Roger Bass, Alan Rauch and Susan Lindley and Delete #8C  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of December 15, 2020  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: Doug Oliver, Dave Webster, Roger Bass, Alan Rauch and Susan Lindley.  
**Note City Clerk York: The following statements are a paraphrase. These are NOT quotes.**  
**Alan Rauch:** Where is the ground that the City is proposing to purchase? What is the City planning to do with the property? How will it be zoned? Are the homes in the Bella Vista Estates going to be annexed into the City? We do not want to be annexed into the City.  
**David Webster:** I do not want to live in the City of Newton. I do not want to be annexed into the City of Newton.  
**Roger Bass:** Does the City have plans for the 20 acres on the north side of the Industrial Park? How much ground is left at the Industrial Park?  
If Tony Griffith received Five Aprils Crossing Lot 21 for \$1, why did the City buy it back for \$5000?  
**Susan Lindley:** Why did the City pay Tony Griffith's estate \$5000 to buy back a lot in Five Aprils Crossing when he didn't build a house within a year of purchasing the lot? Why didn't I receive my \$1000 (earnest money) back.  
**Jane Diel:** I do not want anything that is going to be an eyesore in my view. That is why we moved down here from Champaign.  
  
**Mark Bolander:** The City does not have a definitive use for the property at this time. We are purchasing it for economic development. The City needs to own real estate, so when someone approaches us wanting to start a business or grow their business, we have a place for them to build. One of the City's goals is to create more jobs, good paying jobs. We cannot wait to purchase ground after we are approached. We have lost some new businesses starting in Newton because we didn't have a place for them to land. We have to have ground available to grow.  
The City does not have control of the Industrial Park. It is currently controlled by JJI. If the Renewable Fuels project takes off, they want all the land in the Industrial Park and 20 acres north of biofuel plant.  
City Clerk Rosie York will research the purchase price of Lot 21 in Five Aprils Crossing and report back to Roger Bass.  
Susan Lindley was referred to William Heap.
7. OLD BUSINESS: None
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - A. Consider and act on the Agreement to Purchase 4 tracts (parcels) approximately 62 acres, from the Estate of Anthony F. Griffith for \$500,000.00 plus applicable closing costs contingent on financing.



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**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to authorize the Agreement to Purchase 4 tracts (parcels) approximately 62 acres, from the Estate of Anthony F. Griffith for \$500,000.00 plus applicable closing costs contingent on financing.**

**Ayes: Reisner, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: Blake**

B. Consider and act on Robinson Title Company TIF application.

**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Glumac, to authorize reimbursement of \$2,500 for Robinson Title Company TIF application.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner**

**Nays: None**

~~C. Consider and act on purchasing a Newton Police vehicle.~~

### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

#### **Volk--- JEDI 1-5-21:**

Jasper County Economic Development, INC.

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

#### 1. Annual Election of JEDI Officers and Board Members 2021

Brett Lessley has stepped down from Treasurer.

- Motion to appoint Frank Dhom to JEDI Treasurer made by Amber Volk, second by Mark Bolander, motion passed.

Ed Webb has stepped down from Board of Directors.

- Motion to appoint Mindy Hartke to JEDI Board of Directors made by Mark Bolander, second by Andy Johnson, motion passed.

#### JEDI Officers

Scott Bierman, Chairman

Jason Warfel, Vice Chairman

Mark Bolander, Secretary

Frank Dhom, Treasurer

JEDI Executive Director

Amber Volk

JEDI Marketing Director

Amber Wakefield

JEDI Board of Directors: Amber Volk, Frank Dhom, Mindy Hartke, Louis Ochs, Scott Bierman, Larry Brooks, City of Newton, Mark Bolander, City of Newton, Marlene Harris, City of Newton, Jack Thompson, Ste. Marie, Jason Warfel, Jasper County Board, Doug Weddell, Jasper County Board, Ron Heltsley, Jasper County Board, Ben Bollman, Jasper County Board, Sarah Kinkade, Jasper County Chamber of Commerce, Andrew Johnson, Unit #1 Superintendent, Beth Probst, NCHS Principal and 2 NCHS Student Representatives not chosen at this time.

#### 2. Annual Budget Approval: Brett Lessley talked about JEDI's budget and standing.

- a. Motion to approve annual budget made by Doug Weddell, second by Jason Warfel, motion passed.

#### 3. Annual JEDI Celebration: February 2, 2021 @ 10:30am via Zoom. Bill Teichmiller CEO of EJ Water Cooperative will be the presenter.

- a. Send nominations for Economic Person/Business of the Year to Scott Bierman or Ed Webb.
- b. Please have multiple people join you for the Zoom meeting or be sure to join even if you don't normally. This will be a great presentation!

#### 4. Monthly Updates

##### a. Amber Volk, Executive Director

- i. The State Grant for the purchase of land ended up falling through.
- ii. Senior Living Complex will be implementing the Enterprise Zone.
- iii. Website traffic has increased due to Job Listings. Be sure to list yours.

##### b. Mark Bolander, Mayor of Newton

- i. Lots of activity around town.
- ii. Thank you to the Leachmans and Huddlestons for the lights. Did have some vandalism we are still investigating.

##### c. Jason Warfel, Jasper County Board Chairman

- i. Next Board meeting is January 14, 2021.
- ii. Jail project is still moving forward.
- iii. We are now down to 6 committees from the original 14.
- iv. JEDI needs to look to recruit new members and have current members become more involved.

##### d. Andy Johnson, Superintendent of Jasper County Unit #1.

- i. Students will return January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- ii. Will be requesting a special use permit for the Sunrise Center.
- iii. Board will be discussing a referendum question on the April Election Ballot
  - 1. Will be providing factual information on social media.

##### e. Sarah Kinkade, Chamber of Commerce Director

- i. Shop local took place this past December and received \$105,000 in receipts.
- ii. The one night event went well.
- iii. 2021 events are currently up in the air.
- iv. Working on a 618 Tour: Involving local bars. Will have t-shirts and posters.

##### f. Amber Wakefield, Marketing Director

- i. No new updates. Very excited about 2021.
- ii. Next month I will have an update on the Marketing Fund.
- iii. Will plan on having a Marketing Committee meeting 15 mins before the 10:30am JEDI Celebration.



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5. Comments from those attending the meeting.

- a. Doug Weddell: The Event Center is having problems with internet service. Have talked with multiple providers. It will cost \$4,000 to bring internet to the building plus the monthly fee. How is there not better broadband on the west side of town?
  - i. The JEDI Executive board will be meeting with different internet providers and teaming up with Jasper Together to bring awareness or gather information/signatures from interested individuals in the community who would implement fiber if given the opportunity.

**Brown—Police Committee 1-4-21:**

- Mike discussed the Lexipol Policy purchase. This would take the PD's policies and adjust accordingly when Illinois State policy changes. Casey PD is currently using it. Mike has been looking at this for a few years. Program is approximately \$10K and annual maintenance would be around \$3,500.
- Both spare squad cars are in bad shape. Looking for a newer, more reliable used vehicle. Little equipment would need to be purchased.
- Mike is looking into hiring another part-time officer.
- Surveillance cameras were discussed.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:18 PM

**Harris—Finance Committee 1-5-21:**

- Discussed TIF application for Robinson Title Company with a total cost of \$5,775.50 They ask for \$2,500 reimbursement for improving siding, sign and shutters.
- Discussed if employee is diagnosed with Corona virus or quarantined as of January 1, 2021, they will have to use their benefit hours. The gubernatorial "Cares Act" has expired.
- Adjourned 5:37 PM

10. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Glumac:** Happy New Year to everyone.

**Brown:** I want citizens to know why I support the purchase of the Griffith property. I still have concerns that Mr. Jayne's business was not able to go into the Southtown Industrial Park. The City of Newton does not own the Southtown Industrial Park. Citizens have approached me thinking that the City owns the Industrial Park.

**Reisner:** No Comment

**Blake:** No Comment

**Harris:** Happy New Year to everyone. The Christmas lights were pretty.

**City Treasurer:** No Comment

**City Clerk:** No Comment

**Mayor:** The Christmas lights and displays at the Park and the Old River Bridge were great and I am looking forward to them next year.

11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: **Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: **Dues & Donations January 19, 2021 at 5:45 PM**

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate

**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes:** Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake

**Nays:** None

**Open session suspended at 6:56 PM**

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

**Ayes:** Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris

**Nays:** None

**Open session resumed at 7:18 PM.**

Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

**Ayes:** Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac

**Nays:** None

**Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.**

**Submitted by Rosetta M. York**



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PLEASE BRING YOUR MASKS

Before the January 19, 2021 City Council Meeting

1. Finance Committee Meeting at 5:30 PM
2. Dues and Donations Committee Meeting at 5:45 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman David Brown.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman David Brown.**
3. ROLL CALL: Deputy Clerk Brenda Phillips  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Robert Reisner, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Larry Brooks**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Deputy Clerk Brenda Philips**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Add Emily Myers to #7, add Personnel to #13, and add Police committee 1-18-21 to #10.  
**Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to adopt the amended/proposed agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of January 5, 2021:  
**Motion was made by Robert Reisner seconded by Marlene Harris, to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
**Alderman Harris reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$201,582.21 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and make a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$191,925.61.**  
**Robert Reisner seconded the motion.**  
**Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS:  
**Note: The following statements are paraphrased. They are not direct quotes.**  
**Andre Leachman:**
  - During the 6 weeks that the Christmas light display lit up Peterson Park, 2,432 cars came through to see them. From the proceeds, we were able to make donations to the Jasper County Ministerial Association and Masters Hands.
  - We already have verbal and monetary commitments for the 2021 season which will have a November 1, 2021 deadline for any new exhibits that people want to donate. This will allow time to organize and plan the placement of the lights.
  - We are also talking about potential display growth, additional nights the lights can be lit, ways to improve access to electricity, and ideas to reduce the risk of vandalism and theft. As always many volunteers are needed to help set up, be at the park on the nights the lights are illuminated, tear down, and store the displays.
  - Neighboring communities have taken notice and are contacting us wanting to know how they can get something similar started in their hometowns.**Emily Myers:**
  - The Girl Scouts are selling cookies. Be on the lookout for 8-1/2 x 11 flyers at local businesses signifying they are supporting the local scout troops.
  - This year the Girl Scouts are also having a Cookie Hunt to promote the cookie sales. They are hiding a golden cookie medallion somewhere in Jasper County and providing clues to help people find the secret hiding spot. Once found, scouts and the public at large, can take a selfie and register for a drawing.
8. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. Consider and act on authorizing the purchase of Lexipol Policy program for the Newton Police Department.



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**Motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the purchase of Lexipol Policy program for the Newton Police Department with the initial cost of \$5550.00 and an annual maintenance fee of \$5740.00.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner**

**Nays: None**

### 9. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on advertising for Dues and Donations applications to distribute \$5500 budgeted fund with application deadline of March 19, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

**Motion was made by Eric Blake, seconded by Marlene Harris, to approve advertising for Dues and Donations applications to distribute up to the \$5500 budgeted fund with application deadline of March 19, 2021 at 5:00 PM.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake**

**Nays: None**

- b. Consider and act on 505 W. Washington St., owner Ryan Jennings, TIF application.

**Motion was made by Robert Reisner, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the TIF reimbursement of \$2,500.00 for 505 W. Washington St., owner Ryan Jennings' TIF application.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

- c. Consider and act on TIF application for Agri-Tek Enterprise LLC/Agri-Systems Solutions.

**Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by David Brown, to authorize the TIF reimbursement of \$2,500.00 for 8775 N. St., HWY 130, the owner Agri-Tek Enterprise LLC/Agri-Systems Solutions' TIF application.**

**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

### 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: Police committee 1-18-21, Dues and Donation 1-19-2021 and Finance 1-19-21

#### **Brown—Police 1-18-2021:**

- The purchase of the Lexipol Policy Program was discussed at length.
- Mike also discussed the roof/renovation. Mike stated that regardless of the overall project, the roof needs done. The Committee agreed to repairing/replacing roof ASAP.
- Mike discussed his 2022 retirement. Stated that an additional officer in the PD would need in the near future.
- The updating of security cameras was discussed. Meeting adjourned at 6:04 PM

#### **Harris—Finance 1-19-21:**

- Discussed TIF application for Ryan Jennings, ARG Ideas LLC with a total cost of \$9,380 They ask for \$2,500 reimbursement.
- Discussed TIF application for Tyler Kerner, Agri-Tek Enterprise LLC/Agri-Systems Solutions, with a total cost of \$176,150.50. They ask for \$2,500 reimbursement. Adjourned 5:37 PM

#### **Blake--Dues and Donation 1-19-2021:**

- Discuss the 2021 applications for Dues and Donations. Due Date for applications is March 19, 2021 at 5:00 PM. The budgeted maximum that can be distributed is \$5,500. Meeting adjourned at 5:53 PM.

### 11. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Glumac:** We are working on a date to interview candidates for the Electric Department apprentice lineman position.

**Brown:** None

**Reisner:** None

**Blake:** Presented the Animal Control report.

**Harris:** Presented the Transaction Allocation Billing Adjustments and Payment Adjustments reports.

**City Attorney:** None

**City Treasurer:** None

**City Clerk:** Water Department PO #6502 Shared cost between Water & Wastewater  
**Motion was made by Robert Reisner, seconded by Marlene Harris, to authorize Water Department purchase order #6502 for \$2,900.00 for a Wacker 4" gas trash pump.**

**Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

**Mayor:**



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- We have new businesses coming to Newton. They are bringing more jobs to town, supplying services that our area will utilize, and improving the curb appeal on the south edge of town, at 505 W Washington and on Jourdan Street.
- Robinson Title Company has a new location on E Jourdan.
- Several new construction sites are moving along: Sarah Bush Clinic, Senior Living Facility and The First National Bank of Olney.
- West End Reception & Events is up and running. They have already had several events and are booking future events. Things are going well for them.
- We welcome anyone with an entrepreneurial spirit to come talk to us. We want to help those looking to start businesses and provide services any way we can. They could qualify for TIF money or assistance through the Enterprise Zone. We want to work with people to maximize the assistance they qualify for.
- The unemployment rate in October 2020 was 3%.
- The hand sanitizer totes need to be moved out of the Fire Department annex building. Approximately 250 gallons of hand sanitizer needs distributed. The empty totes need returned to JJ Outlet.

### 12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: February 2, 2021 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: None

### 13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and personnel

**Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate and personnel pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 6:47 PM**

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

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 7:12 PM.**

Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate and personnel.

### 14. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Robert Reisner, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.**

**Submitted by Rosetta York**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLES January 20, 2021

STREET

Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$302.58
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$317.00
CCI Redi Mix	\$988.50
Connor & Connor	\$795.90
Cintas	\$66.72
Deere Credit, Inc.	\$250.00
Huddleston Supply Inc.	\$13.60
Jasper Clothiers	\$94.75
Steve Jones Plumbing	\$14.72
Lorenz Supply Company	\$133.04
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$112.28
Schulte Supply, Inc.	\$235.20
Terminix International	\$26.66
Total Street	\$3,350.95

POLICE

Gwen Baker	\$274.02
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$486.88
Card Service Center	\$448.38
Conlin Home Inspection & Radon Testing	\$1,400.00
Cintas	\$139.48
County of Jasper	\$7,157.54
Dollar General Corporation	\$29.75
Gall's	\$66.94
Interstate Batteries of South Central IL.	\$11.99
Kirchner Building Centers	\$105.23
Martin's IGA	\$112.88
McClane Motor Sales, Inc.	\$39.45
South Central FS	\$41.95
Terminix International	\$26.67
Technology Management Revolving Fund	\$221.35
Verizon Wireless/NextGen Wireless	\$32.18
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$1,400.00
Total Police	\$11,994.69

PARK

Kirchner Building Centers	\$11.90
Rubsam Paint Store	\$48.89
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$19.58
Total Park	\$80.37

POUND

County of Jasper	\$1,139.73
Total Pound	\$1,139.73

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Gwen Baker	\$274.03
Card Service Center	\$14.99
Civic Systems, LLC.	\$325.50
Jasper County Credit Bureau	\$55.00
Kemper Technology Consulting	\$427.50
Miller Office Equipment	\$194.00
Office Essentials	\$445.87
Terminix International	\$26.67
Weber, Heap, Ayres, Greene, P.C.	\$253.75
Total General Administration	\$2,017.31

TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS \$18,583.05

EMA

County of Jasper	\$482.05
Total EMA	\$482.05

<u>MFT</u>	
Larry Heuerman Trucking	\$476.77
Total MFT	\$476.77

<u>CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT</u>	
Amber A Go Go	\$1,000.00
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$304.29
Southeastern Illinois Community Foundation	\$1,000.00
Total Capital Development	\$2,304.29

<u>TIF</u>	
Smithenry Trenching, Inc.	\$5,690.21
Wabash Valley Service Company	\$492.18
Total TIF	\$6,182.39

<u>EAGLE TRAIL</u>	
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$1,217.16
Total Eagle Trail	\$1,217.16
TOTAL SPECIALS	\$10,662.66

<u>ELECTRIC</u>	
Anixter, Inc.	28,071.71
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	338.48
Brownstown Electric Supply	10,429.80
BHMG Engineers	\$342.90
Big D Electric	\$54,183.38
B & T Drainage, Inc.	\$4,400.00
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$238.24
Card Service Center	\$375.00
Cummins Sales & Service	\$1,372.90
Cintas	\$88.29
Civic Systems, LLC.	\$325.50
Deere Credit, Inc.	\$250.00
Drake-Scruggs Equipment	\$2,254.06
Gettysburg Flag Works	\$534.95
Hometown Register	\$78.00
JM Test Systems	\$308.98
Julie, Inc.	\$55.75
Kirchner Building Centers	\$2.44
Midwest Electric Transformer Services	\$28,500.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$55.22
Online Information Services	\$59.70
Office Essentials	\$295.91
Springfield Electric Supply Company	\$3,041.36
Terminix International	\$27.50
Weber, Heap, Ayres, Greene, P.C.	\$22.75
Wayne's Tree Service, LLC.	\$7,300.00
Wilson Trucking LLC.	\$869.55
Total Electric	\$143,822.37

<u>WATER</u>	
A-J Welding and Steel Inc.	91.44
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	4.83
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$106.03
Card Service Center	\$37.98
Civic Systems, LLC.	\$325.50
Cummins Sales and Service	\$730.38
Hacker Well & Pump	\$20,100.00
Jasper Clothiers	\$360.50
Jensen Equipment Company	\$207.36
Steve Jones Plumbing	\$26.16
Julie, Inc.	\$55.75
Kirchner Building Centers	\$13.58
Midwest Meter, Inc.	\$1,611.00
Office Essentials	\$10.98
Total Home & Farm Video Solutions, Inc.	\$461.27
Weber, Heap, Ayres, Greene, P.C.	\$22.75
Total Water	\$24,165.51

WWT

A-J Welding & Steel, Inc.	\$43.83
Barbeck Communications	\$75.00
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$33.64
Card Service Center	\$229.99
Civic Systems, LLC.	\$325.50
Cummins Sales & Service	\$925.02
Jasper Clothiers	\$250.75
Jensen Equipment Company	\$207.36
Steve Jones Plumbing	\$12.42
Julie, Inc.	\$55.75
Martin's IGA	\$22.14
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	914.36
Pace Analytical Services, LLC.	591.70
City of Robinson - WWTF	128.00
South Central FS	6.06
Schulte Supply, Inc.	475.10
Terminix International	27.50
Weber, Heap, Ayres, Greene, P.C.	\$24.50
Total WWT	\$4,348.62

TOTAL PAYABLES= \$201,582.21

<b><u>General Fund</u></b>	
Pitney Bowes	\$47.25
Verizon Wireless	\$216.12
Dollar General	\$52.30
Ameren Illinois	\$836.36
Sandy Dhom	\$65.96
Sparklight	\$740.10
Police Department Petty Cash	\$45.63
Wex Bank - Circle K	\$562.39
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$467.72
City of Newton	\$1,435.54
LIUNA National Pension Fund	\$4,395.08
William Heap	\$150.00
Newton Library	\$1,024.82
Jim Riddle	\$12.98
Birch Towing	\$100.00
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	\$10,152.25

<b><u>Payroll</u></b>	
Local 1197 Secretary Treasurer	\$779.00
State Disbursement Unit	\$1,305.00
NGL Insurance	\$26.68
Standard Insurance Co.	\$326.90
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	\$96.00
America Heritage Life Insurance Co.	\$46.78
Standard Insurance Co. -vision	\$309.04
AFLAC	\$1,095.80
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	\$3,985.20

<b><u>Electric</u></b>	
ERBA	\$671.01
Symetra Life Insurance Co.	\$16,368.00
Pitney Bowes	\$47.25
Sandra Abraham	\$123.67
Verizon Wireless	\$49.56
Dollar General	\$15.00
Jasper County Clerk	\$21.67
Ameren Illinois	\$227.81
Sparklight	\$103.94
Newton Post Office	\$134.05
Wex Bank	\$348.94
City of Newton	\$250.38
Norris Electric	\$128.25
Illinois Power Marketing	\$101,864.93
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	\$120,354.46

<b><u>WATER</u></b>	
Pitney Bowes Inc.	\$47.25
Symetra Life Insurance Co.	\$9,572.00
VerizonWireless	\$21.74
Jasper County Clerk	\$21.67
Ameren Illinois	\$297.40
Sparklight	\$88.62
Newton Post Office	\$134.05
Clark Bigard	\$15.68
Wex Bank	\$229.18
City of Newton	\$2,866.96
Bierman - Scott Investments	\$500.00
St Thomas Church	\$3,000.00
UPS	\$37.33
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	\$16,831.88

<b><u>WWT</u></b>	
Symetra Life Insurance Co.	\$8,184.00
Pitney Bowes Inc.	\$47.25
Verizon Wireless	\$49.56
Jasper County Clerk	\$21.66
Ameren Illinois	\$354.02
Sparklight	\$88.62
Newton Post Office	\$134.04
Wex Bank	\$239.47
City of Newton	\$3,743.36
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	\$12,861.98

<b><u>INS A</u></b>	
The Standard	\$203.84
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	\$203.84

<b><u>SPECIALS</u></b>	
Symetra Life Insurance Co.	\$27,536.00
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	\$27,536.00



# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

February 2, 2021

## PLEASE BRING YOUR MASKS

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Robert Reisner.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Robert Reisner.**
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta York, City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Robert Reisner and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Larry Brooks and Eric Blake**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Clerk Rosetta York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Add to #6 Amber Volk and add to #11 an Insurance Committee Meeting Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 5:30 PM  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of January 19, 2021  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: John Stone and Shannon Woodard from Connor & Connor to give updates on all the projects that they are working on for the City.

**Amber Volk:** JEDI had their Annual Celebration today on a Zoom Conference. The first JEDITalk Speaker was Bill Teichmiller CEO of EJ Water Cooperative, Inc. The JEDITalk videos are going to be put on the JEDI web site. David Koechner announced the winner of the Economic Business of the Year by video. The winner was Nucor Skyline Steel LLC. She read the 2020 JEDI Totals.



### 2020 JEDI Totals

TIF = 10 Parcels / Totals =	\$206,398
Enterprise Zone = 2 Projects / Totals =	\$33,291.40
Vistra Energy: Newton Power Plant	
Pandemic Relief Grant = 10 Businesses/Totals=	\$15,000
Rotary Grants = 4 Businesses / Totals =	\$3,000
Downstate Small Business Stabilization	
State Grant = 1 Business / Totals =	\$8,600

**\$266,289.40**

**1 Full & 6 Part Time New Jobs**

### Shannon Woodard:

1. Sarah Bush Clinic sewer line is completed, but has not been tested. Testing is supposed to be tomorrow.
2. The City has received the Liberty St. grant to upgrade the watermain. SCRIPDC was doing the environmental process application. The State lost the original surveys for the grant which slowed the progress on the environmental approval. Once the grant agreement is received, approved and signed, the bidding process will start.
3. The 5-year Plans are close to being completed. Then committee meetings will need to be called.
4. City Hall renovation plans are close to being finalized. The project could be bid in March, but the prices of construction materials are still pretty high.
5. The 4-inch water line which goes under the railroad on West End Ave. They have applied for a boring permit under railroad.

### John Stone:

1. Working on north and south alley on the 100 block between S. Jackson St. and Lafayette St.
2. Preparing the survey work on the ground west of Newton recently purchased.
3. Mayor asking about Connor & Connor helping with the compliance letter for a USDA Grant that Newton PD is applying to get.



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## 7. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Consider and act on hiring an employee in the Electric Department, effective February 9, 2021.

**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Reisner, to authorize hiring Alden J. (AJ) Schafer in the Electric Department, effective February 9, 2021.**

**Ayes: Reisner, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

## 8. NEW BUSINESS: None

## 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

### Glumac-Electric Committee 1-25-21:

1. The committee went into Executive Session to discuss personnel.
2. The committee came out of Executive Session and adjourned at 6:37 PM

## 10. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Harris:** Thank you to the St. Thomas kids for their cards.

**Reisner:** Thank you to the St. Thomas kids for their cards. Peter Ray from INRR requested Newton to think about closing another crossing.

**Brown:** No Comments

**Glumac:** My thoughts and prayers go out to the Leachman family.

**City Treasurer:** No Comments

**City Clerk:** No Comments

**Mayor:**

1. At a Rotary Meeting, Team of Mercy Support Group asked him to pass these fliers out.

Team of Mercy Newton IL Support  
Group is putting on a  
Youth Mental Health First Aid Class at  
New Beginnings Church, Newton  
March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 8:00am-12:30pm

To register go to [carle.org/mhfa](http://carle.org/mhfa)

Registration closes Feb 20

Contact Leslie Shan for questions

618-392-1486

If your organization would like to register more than one  
person and pay for multiple people, please contact Leslie

**This is a support group to help  
parents that have lost a small child.**

2. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Leachman family.
3. Thank you to the St. Thomas kids for their cards.
4. Congratulations to Economic Business of the Year winner Nucor Skyline Steel LLC.

## 11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Insurance Committee Meeting Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 5:30 PM

## 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase**

**USA MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID**

**YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID**

**64.1%**  
do not receive any mental health treatment

**1 in 5**  
of all youth experience mental health conditions

**5.13%**  
of all youth experience serious mental health problems

**Why Youth Mental Health First Aid?**  
Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders in youth. This 6-hour training gives adults who work with youth the skills they need to reach out and provide initial support to children and adolescents (ages 6-18) who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care.

**Three Learning Options**

- Youth First Aiders will complete a 2-hour self-paced online class and then participate in a 4-hour instructor-led videoconference.
- Simultaneously, After completing a 2-hour self-paced online class, Youth Aiders will participate in a 4-hour in-person instructor-led class.
- All Youth First Aiders will receive their training as an 8.5-hour instructor-led in-person course.

**Who Should Take It**

- Teachers
- School staff
- Coaches
- Campus counselors
- Youth group leaders
- Parents
- People who work with youth

**What It Covers**

- Common signs and symptoms of mental illness in this age group including:
  - Anxiety
  - Depression
  - Eating disorders
  - Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Common signs and symptoms of substance use
- How to interact with a child or adolescent in crisis
- How to connect the person with help
- **NEW:** Expanded content on trauma, addiction and self-care and the impact of social media and bullying

**The course will teach you how to apply the ALICE action plan:**

- Assess for risk of suicide or harm
- Listen nonjudgmentally
- Give reassurance and information
- Encourage appropriate professional help
- Encourage self-help and other support strategies

**As adults, we sometimes forget how hard it was being an adolescent. When we see a kid who is just miserable at school, we might think they choose to be that way — or that it's just part of adolescence. But in fact, they might be in a mental health crisis, one they certainly did not choose and do not want. When a teacher says, "How can I be helpful?" that is a powerful question."**  
— Alyssa Fruchtmeyer, school-based mental health counselor

TO FIND A COURSE OR CONTACT AN INSTRUCTOR IN YOUR AREA, VISIT [MentalHealthFirstAid.org](http://MentalHealthFirstAid.org) OR E-MAIL [info@MentalHealthFirstAid.org](mailto:info@MentalHealthFirstAid.org)

**NATIONAL COUNCIL**  
Mental Health First Aid



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of real estate pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.

**Ayes:** Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner

**Nays:** None

Open session suspended at 6:33 PM

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

**Ayes:** Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Harris

**Nays:** None

Open session resumed at 6:49 PM.

Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

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

**Ayes:** Brown, Reisner, Harris, Glumac

**Nays:** None

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Submitted by Rosetta M. York

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosetta M. York". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "R" and "Y".



# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

February 23, 2021

PLEASE BRING YOUR MASKS

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Robert Reisner.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Robert Reisner.**
3. ROLL CALL: Amy Tarr, Deputy Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Robert Reisner, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Larry Brooks**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Deputy Clerk Amy Tarr**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Delete 8b TIF agreement with 108 S. Van Buren St., Brooke Hill.  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Glumac, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of February 2, 2021:  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
**Alderman Harris reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$170,667.36 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and make a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$208,554.14.**  
**Reisner seconded the motion.**  
**Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS:  
**Michael Tappendorf with Milano & Grunloh gave an update on the Riverwalk. COVID, as well as the study of sand darts and soft shell turtles, has slowed the progress of this project. Michael thanked the Mayor for his push along the way with IDOT & IDNR to help speed the process. Currently ideas are all there for the projected path alignment. Michael expects Army Corp of Engineers permits to be ready in the next few weeks, followed by IDOT approval in another 3 weeks or so with bid letting expected to be early Summer 2021.**
8. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. Consider and act on authorizing Cobra/IMRF's continuation of rates effective March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022.  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to authorize Cobra/IMRF's continuation of rates effective March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022.**  
**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner**  
**Nays: None**

REGULAR COVERAGE			
2020/2021 Rates		2021 Rates	
Single	\$862.08	Single	\$838.05
Family	\$1,939.67	Family	\$1,885.60

HRP COVERAGE			
2020/2021 Rates		2021 Rates	
Single	\$524.35	Single	\$307.19
Family	\$1,179.78	Family	\$691.17

Dental Coverage			
2020/2021 Rates		2021 Rates	
Single	\$30.39	Single	\$24.37
  - b. Consider and act on TIF agreement with 108 S. Van Buren St., Brooke Hill.  
**Motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to authorize TIF agreement with 108 S. Van Buren St., Brooke Hill, for the reimbursement amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**  
**Ayes:**  
**Nays: None**
9. NEW BUSINESS:
  - a. Consider and act on passing Resolution 21-01 concerning Closed Session Minutes.
  - b. Consider and act on passing Resolution 21-02 Authorizing the Destruction of Closed Meetings Sessions tapes between 2/5/2019 to 7/16/2019.  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brown, to table (9a.) Resolution 21-01 and (9b.) Resolution 21-02 until after the executive session.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake**  
**Nays: None**



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- c. Consider and act on contract for professional services between the City of Newton and PGAV Planners, LLC.

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Reisner, to authorize the contract for professional services between the City of Newton and PGAV Planners, LLC for \$31,500.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Harris**

**Nays: Blake**

- d. Consider and act on a Newton Police employee attending Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program at on March 12, 2021 for allowable expenses. (There are no fees to attend training.)

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Reisner, to authorize a Newton Police employee to attend Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program on March 12, 2021 for allowable expenses. (There are no fees to attend training.)**

**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

### 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: Insurance Committee on February 9, 2021 and Finance Committee on February 22, 2021

#### **Harris—Insurance 2-9-2021:**

- Jason Booth from Snedeker Risk Management discussed new rates for COBRA/IMRF effective March 1, 2021 through February 1, 2022. This will be on next Council meeting agenda.
- There needs to be another Insurance Committee meeting setup to discuss the possible medical health insurance option for 2022. Meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM.

#### **Harris—Finance 2-22-21:**

- Mike Weber, with PGAV, was on a conference call to discuss professional services between the City of Newton and PGAV Planners, LLC. This was in reference to the proposed TIF 2 Redevelopment Project Area. He advised the 2022 cash flow will be strong.
- Discussed a possible purchase order for a new truck for the Water Department before April 1.

### 11. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Glumac: No Comments**

**Brown: No Comments**

**Reisner: Water and Wastewater have rescheduled the March 1 committee meeting to March 8, 2021 to discuss their 5-year plans and other Water and Wastewater items**

**Blake: Read the Animal Control report for December 2020.**

**Harris:**

1. **Congratulated the street department and all the other city departments who assisted in a great job with snow removal.**
2. **Reviewed the Billing and Payment Adjustments**

**City Attorney: Absent**

**City Treasurer: No Comments**

**Deputy City Clerk: No Comments**

**Mayor:**

1. **Thanked the Street & other City Departments on snow removal efforts**
2. **Connor & Connor should soon be able to go out for bids for the CDBG Public Infrastructure Grant, Liberty Street water main replacement.**
3. **We received a thank you from the US Department of Commerce for our Regions involvement in the 2020 Census. Our Region exceeded the National Self-Response Rate of 67%, and had the highest self-response rate among all Regions, of 69.8%.**

### 12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: March 2, 2021 at 6:00 PM

**SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Water and Wastewater March 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM**

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

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate pursuant and closed session minutes to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**



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**Open session suspended at 6:35 PM**

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

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 6:55 PM.**

Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate and closed session minutes.

**(9a) Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to pass Resolution 20-01 Closed Session Minutes.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake**

**Nays: None**

**(9b) Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to pass Resolution 20-02 Authorizing the Destruction of Closed Meetings Sessions Audio Recording.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

### 14. ADJOURNMENT

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

**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.**

**Submitted by Amy Tarr**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Tarr". The signature is written in a cursive style.

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLES February 24, 2021

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Jasper County Health Department	\$50.00
Card Service Center	\$0.79
Total Economic Development	\$50.79

## ZONING

Hometown Register	\$22.92
Card Service Center	\$7.11
Total Zoning	\$30.03

## BAT

Master Pitching Machine, Inc.	\$149.83
Total Bat	\$149.83

## STREET

Alliance Tractor, LLC.	\$71.19
Card Service Center	\$75.99
Collins & Hermann Infrastructure Solutions	\$250.00
Huddleston Supply	\$124.46
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$150.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$8.26
Kirchner Building Centers	\$20.89
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$256.96
Terminix International	\$26.66
Michael Todd & Company, Inc.	\$472.85
Wease Equipment, Inc.	\$24.25
Total Street	\$1,481.51

## POLICE

Axon Enterprise, Inc.	\$1,872.00
Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Ben Tire Toledo Warehouse	\$101.93
Card Service Center	\$517.53
Cintas Corp.	\$71.74
Cintas	\$119.23
CJ's Performance & Accessories	\$180.00
County of Jasper	\$8,614.62
Dibbie Dabbles	\$32.50
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$600.00
Lexipol	\$5,550.00
Lorenz Supply Co.	\$139.26
Newton Veterinary Clinic	\$543.80
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$20.28
Office Essentials	\$514.16
Overhead Door	\$270.00
Supercircuits	\$357.98
Terminix International	\$26.67
Technology Management Rev Fund	\$221.35
Verizon Wireless	\$108.12
Weber, Tedford. Heap, Ayres, P.C.	\$1,347.50
Total Police	\$21,427.89

## PARK

Alliance Tractor, LLC.	\$279.72
Card Service Center	\$116.98
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$100.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$150.41
Martin's IGA	\$21.98
Midwest Tractor Sales	\$35.93
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$4.38
Rubsam Paint Store	\$146.67
Total Park	\$856.07

## POUND

County of Jasper	\$1,046.94
Total Pound	\$1,046.94

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Buds N' Blossoms	\$50.00
Card Service Center	\$121.48
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$50.00
Kemper Technology Consulting	\$604.50
Lorenz Supply Co.	\$91.23
Office Essentials	\$60.21

Southern IL Mayors Assoc.	\$75.00
Sage	\$315.00
Terminix International	\$26.67
Total Printing Systems	\$144.70
Total General Administration	\$1,758.01
<u>POOL</u>	
Card Service Center	\$17.38
ET & T Distributors, Inc.	\$813.95
	\$831.33

TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS \$27,632.40

<u>EMA</u>	
County of Jasper	\$367.30
Total EMA	\$367.30

<u>CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT</u>	
Amber A Go Go	\$1,000.00
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$324.54
Weber, Tedford, Heap & Ayres, P.C.	\$332.50
Total Capital Development	\$1,657.04

<u>TIF</u>	
Burford Electric Inc. of Teutopolis	\$444.73
PGAV Planners, LLC.	\$2,400.00
Total TIF	\$2,844.73

<u>EAGLE TRAIL</u>	
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$1,298.16
Total Eagle Trail	\$1,298.16

TOTAL SPECIALS \$6,167.23

<u>ELECTRIC</u>	
A-J Welding and Steel, Inc.	3.18
Anixter, Inc.	\$43,343.24
Barbeck Communications	\$172.50
Big D Electrical Contractors, Inc.	\$79,838.42
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$851.00
Bridgewell Resources, LLC.	\$12,904.00
Brownstown Electric Supply	\$7,538.51
Card Service Center	\$185.08
Hall's	\$231.90
Huddleston Supply	\$35.10
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$300.00
JM Test Systems	\$352.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$312.31
Lorenz Supply Co.	\$72.61
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$153.23
Online Information Services	\$75.90
Pennington Chev	\$380.83
Republic Services	\$318.11
Sage	\$315.00
Springfield Electric Supply	\$4,002.23
Terminix International	\$27.50
Uline	\$481.25
Jason Allen dba Wayne's Tree Service	\$1,125.00
Wease Equipment, Inc.	\$24.25
Total Electric	\$153,043.15

<u>WATER</u>	
C and C Pumps & Supply, Inc.	\$1,459.52
Card Service Center	\$3.16
EJ Water Cooperative, Inc.	\$18.00
Hach	\$3,648.00
Hawkins, Inc.	\$210.38
IMCO Utility Supply Co.	\$2,730.00
iWater, Inc.	\$1,200.00
Jasper Clothiers	\$85.00
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$200.00
Midwest Meter, Inc.	\$2,747.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$221.46
Sage	\$315.00
Schulte Supply, Inc.	\$465.45
Tri-M Plumbing	\$200.00
Wease Equipment, Inc.	\$24.25

Wilson Trucking, LLC	\$1,336.88
Total Water	\$14,864.10

WWT	
A-J Welding & Steel, Inc.	\$52.78
C and C Pumps & Supply, Inc.	\$1,459.52
Card Service Center	\$2.37
Cintas	\$118.22
Hinkley Springs	\$76.02
Jasper Clothiers	\$104.75
WWT cont.	
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$150.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$82.73
Martin's IGA	\$40.59
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$185.09
City of Robinson WWTF	\$128.00
Sage	315.00
Terminix International	27.50
USA Blue Book	431.46
Vandevanter Engineering	3,648.98
Wease Equipment, Inc.	24.25
Total WWT	\$6,847.26
<b>TOTAL PAYABLES=</b>	<b>\$208,554.14</b>

**General Fund**

Pitney Bowes	\$30.27
Ameren Illinois	\$1,205.54
Sparklight	\$738.91
Secretary of State	\$20.00
Farley Insurance Agency	\$60.00
LIUNA National (Industrial) Pension Fund	\$2,174.62
City of Newton	\$993.18
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$512.83
Wex Bank - Circle K	\$557.30
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	\$6,292.65

**Payroll**

NGL Insurance Group	\$53.36
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	\$96.00
The Standard	\$326.90
Local 1197 Secretary Treasurer	\$798.00
State Disbursement Unit	\$870.00
American Heritage Life Insurance Co.	\$46.78
Standard Insurance Co. - Vision	\$302.96
AFLAC	\$1,095.80
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	\$3,589.80

**Insurance**

The Standard	\$203.84
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**Electric**

Verizon Wireless	\$99.39
Norris Electric	\$128.25
Ameren Illinois	\$397.49
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$30.28
Newton Post Office	\$136.93
Sparklight	\$103.94
Raymond Reynolds	\$25.00
City of Newton	\$256.03
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$425.94
Symetra Life Insurance Co.	\$8,878.00
Illinois Power Marketing	\$104,583.62
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	\$115,064.87

**WATER**

Verizon Wireless	\$43.60
The Indiana Railroad Company	\$500.00
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$30.28
Ameren Illinois	\$426.93
Sparklight	\$88.62
Coles County SWCD	\$500.00
Newton Post Office	\$136.93
City of Newton	\$2,558.40
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$218.28
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	\$160.05
UPS	\$37.42
Symetra Life Insurance Co.	\$4,786.00
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	\$9,486.51

**WWT**

Verizon Wireless	\$99.39
Sparklight	\$88.62
Ameren Illinois	\$464.80
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$30.28
Coles County SWCD	\$500.00
Newton Post Office	\$136.93
City of Newton	\$3,537.83
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$315.14
Symetra Life Insurance	\$4,092.00
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	\$40.06
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	\$9,305.05

**SPECIALS**

Trustmark Health Benefits, Inc.	\$2,956.64
Personal Service Realty	\$10,000.00
Symetra Life Insurance	\$13,768.00
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	\$26,724.64

**Total Prepays =** 

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 \$170,667.36



## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

March 2, 2021

### PLEASE BRING YOUR MASKS

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Eric Blake.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Eric Blake.**
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta York, City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Robert Reisner, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Larry Brooks**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Clerk Rosetta York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Item #7A add Resolution 21-03 and item # 12 replace personnel with purchase of real estate  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Reisner, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of February 23, 2021  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: **None**
7. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Consider and act on authorizing Resolution 21-03 for City of Newton to acquire a loan to purchase 4 tracts (parcels) approximately 62 acres, from the Estate of Anthony F. Griffith.

**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Glumac, to table # 7A. Resolution 21-03 until after the executive session.**

**Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

- B. Consider and act on Ordinance 21-01 Approving Annexation Agreement with Tony W. Haney.

**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to authorize Ordinance 21-01 Approving Annexation Agreement with Tony W. Haney.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner**

**Nays: None**

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Consider and act on purchase of half ton 4x4 pickup for Water Department in next year's budget.

**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Glumac, to table # 8A until after the Council hears from Department Head.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake**

**Nays: None**

#### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

**Harris--- JEDI 3-2-21: Excepts from Amber Volk's Minutes**

##### 1. Monthly Updates

###### a. Amber Volk, Executive Director

- i. JEDI Celebration Summary: Over 35 individuals attended. The JEDItalks can be found on our website: <https://jaspercountyillinois.org/jeditalks>
- ii. 360 Videos: After speaking with Adrian Guzman, a simple video with no talking would be \$100-\$150 and one with a voiceover will be \$250-\$300 per business. It would take him 24-48hours to finish a video. JEDI has 20 brick-and-mortar businesses members and 2-3 other. If we look to do a 360 video for all the brick-and-mortar businesses on the high end would be \$6,000 and for the others doing a regular video high end \$450 totaling around \$6,450. JEDI has recently



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received \$11,500 in Enterprise Zone Fees due to two new projects. We also have 3 more new businesses that will be looking to implement the Enterprise Zone this year.

1. Motion to approve \$6,450 for the business videos made by Andy Johnson, second by Mark Bolander. Roll call was taken: Yes: Frank Dhom, Marlene Harris, Tom Brown, Louis Ochs, Mindy Hartke, Andy Johnson, Mark Bolander.  
No: Jason Warfel, Ron Heltsley, Doug Weddell, Ben Bollman, Sarah Kinkade.  
Motion passed.

After discussion it was decided to have the Chamber be the first 360 video.

- iii. JEDItalks: We will start doing more JEDItalks. There is current discussion on if we should do them during a different time than our monthly meetings via Zoom and invite the public or keep them at the first Tuesday of the month.
  - iv. I am currently working on closing out the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Grant. There will be a public hearing on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the Newton City Hall.
  - v. We will be meeting in person starting April 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am at the Chamber building with the option of Zoom.
- b. Mark Bolander, Mayor of Newton:
    - i. First National Bank of Olney, Sarah Bush Lincoln Clinic, Senior Living Complex, and Agri-Tek Enterprise LLC/Agri-Systems Solutions are all busy with building and remodeling. The Senior Living Complex ended up having to redo some drainage.
  - c. Jason Warfel, Jasper County Board Chairman:
    - i. January opted for bids for the jail project.
    - ii. The consolidated election is April 6<sup>th</sup> but early voting is going on now.
      1. The proposition on the ballot is not a new tax and that money helps with county roads.
  - d. Andy Johnson, Superintendent of Jasper County Unit #1: none
  - e. Sarah Kinkade, Chamber of Commerce Director:
    - i. There will be ribbon cutting ceremonies for:
      1. Prehab - March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30pm
      2. Miss Bradlie Mercantile Co – March 12<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm
      3. West End Receptions and Events – March 29<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm.
  - f. Amber Wakefield, Marketing Director: None

### 10. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Glumac:** No comment

**Brown:** No comment

**Reisner:**

- He told Peter Ray with INRR that the City was not interested in closing another RR crossing. Bob asked about the Van Buren crossing repair. There is a problem with the 11% grade. This needs to be corrected to a 3% grade. This will delay the Van Buren crossing repair until 2022-23.
- He told David the Hickory Dr. leak was found and repaired. The street will need to settle. It will be blacktopped. The Street Department is watching it.
- The City's snowplow is very old (1985) and the transmission is going out. A new transmission for the City's snowplow would cost more than it is worth. The Street Department was price checking used snow plows, because a new two-ton snowplow is about \$140,000. Higgs Welding in Dieterich had a like new 2005 International Model 7400 snow plow for \$38,800.00 with a trade-in value of the City's \$5,500 making the total cost to the City \$33,633.00. After the City Treasurer said there is enough money, the councilman agreed the Street Department should buy it. This will be on the March 16, 2021 agenda.

**Blake:** No comment

**Harris:** No comment

**City Attorney:** No comment

**City Treasurer:** No comment

**City Clerk:** No comment

**Mayor:**

The 2020-21 fiscal year's Sale Tax revenue collected for the ten months of this year is \$630,481.09. If this pace continues, the total Sale Tax revenue for the fiscal year will be about \$756,000. Last fiscal year's total was close to \$733,000.



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11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Water, Wastewater and Electric Committee Meeting March 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, personnel sale of real estate and purchase of real estate

Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.

Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris

Nays: None

Open session suspended at 6:26 PM.

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

Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac

Nays: None

Open session resumed at 6:40 PM.

Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate

Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris to pass Resolution 21-03 for the City of Newton to acquire a loan to purchase 4 tracts (parcels) approximately 62 acres, from the Estate of Anthony F. Griffith.

Ayes: Reisner, Harris, Glumac, Bolander

Nays: Blake, Brown

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to authorize purchase of half ton 4x4 pickup for Water Department in next year's budget.

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner

Nays: Blake

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Glumac

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Submitted by Rosetta M. York

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosetta M. York". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.



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PLEASE BRING YOUR MASKS

PUBLIC HEARING at 5:30 PM BEFORE THE COUNCIL MEETING for CLOSEOUT OF DOWNSTATE SMALL BUSINESS STABILIZATION GRANT

1. Call to order, Mayor Bolander.
2. **Amber Volk:**
  - Explanation of the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program.
  - Parklanes/DLG Inc and Newton Elite Fitness each applied for \$25,000. Newton Elite Fitness was awarded \$8,600.
  - Newton Elite Fitness has been given the money and used the money towards employee pay.
  - After the hearing, we will finish paperwork and close out the grant.
3. **Public Comments:** None.
4. Hearing adjourned at 5:35pm, Mayor Bolander

### MARCH 16, 2021 NEWTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Marlene Harris.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Marlene Harris.**
3. ROLL CALL: City Clerk Rosetta M. York  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Larry Brooks and Robert Reisner**  
**Also, present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Clerk Rosetta M. York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Add Mark Hubbert and Amber Volk to # 7 and Delete Sarah Weiler from #7  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of March 2, 2021:  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
**Alderman Harris reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$165,320.45 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and make a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$155,685.90.**  
**Brown seconded the motion.**  
**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: ~~Sarah Weiler~~ add Mark Hubbert and Amber Volk  
**Mark Hubbert:** He spoke on feral cats in his neighborhood and the problems they cause for him. Eric Blake, Animal is contacting the Jasper County Animal Control Officer. Saved by Grace is also aware of Hubbert situation. He thanked the Council for their time and efforts.  
**Amber Volk:** Reviewed the Public Hearing which was at 5:30 PM. Reported a new coffee shop business coming to town started by Brady and Alissa Shull.
8. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. Consider and act on Resolution 21-04 Feasibility and Inducement Resolution Regarding the Expansion of TIF Redevelopment Project Area No. 1 or The Creation of a New TIF Redevelopment Project Area and to Induce Development Interest within Such Area.  
**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to pass Resolution 21-04 Feasibility and Inducement Resolution Regarding the Expansion of TIF Redevelopment Project Area No. 1 or The Creation of a New TIF Redevelopment Project Area and to Induce Development Interest within Such Area.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Bolander**  
**Nays: Blake**
  - b. Consider and act on Ordinance 21-02 An Ordinance Authorizing Interfund Loans from The Water and Wastewater Fund to The Capital Development Fund to Finance the City's Acquisition of Certain Property from The Anthony F. Griffith Estate.



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**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to pass Ordinance 21-02 An Ordinance Authorizing Interfund Loans from The Water and Wastewater Fund to The Capital Development Fund to Finance the City's Acquisition of Certain Property from The Anthony F. Griffith Estate.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Harris, Bolander**

**Nays: Blake**

- c. Consider and act on Street Department purchasing the 2005 International Model 7400 snow plow for \$38,800.00 with a trade-in value of the City's \$5,500 making the total cost to the City \$33,633.00 from Higgs Welding, LLC.

**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Brown, authorize Street Department to purchase the 2005 International Model 7400 snow plow for \$38,800.00 with a trade-in value of the City's \$5,500 making the total cost to the City \$33,633.00 from Higgs Welding, LLC.**

**Ayes: Brown, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

- d. Consider and act on Maulding Excavating LLC Change Order #1 for an additional \$1,634.00 and Pay Estimate #1 & Final of \$25,961.76 for the SBLHS Sewer Relocation project.

**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Brown, authorize Maulding Excavating LLC Change Order #1 for an additional \$1,634.00 and Pay Estimate #1 & Final of \$25,961.76 for the SBLHS Sewer Relocation project.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

## 9. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on approving opening the yard waste facility, the first and third Saturdays from 8:00 AM to noon beginning Saturday April 3, 2021 to October 16, 2021 and every Saturday in November under the landscape waste collection site rules.

**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Harris, to authorize opening the yard waste facility, the first and third Saturdays from 8:00 AM to noon beginning Saturday April 3, 2021 to October 16, 2021 and every Saturday in November under the landscape waste collection site rules.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Blake**

**Nays: None**

- b. Consider and act on Special Event Permit application for Newton Junior Women's Club's Prevent Child Abuse Fun/Run on April 25, 2021.

**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Glumac, to authorize the Special Event Permit application for Newton Junior Women's Club's Prevent Child Abuse Fun/Run on April 25, 2021.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

- c. Consider and act on not raising the water and wastewater utility rates.

**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Glumac, to authorize not raising the water and wastewater utility rates.**

**Ayes: Brown, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

## 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: Water, Wastewater and Electric Committee Meeting March 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM and Public Safety Committee Meeting March 15, 2021 at 6:00 PM

### Glumac— Water, Wastewater and Electric Committee 3-8-2021:

#### Water:

1. There is a leak in Well #6. Tyler is assessing the cost. Hacker will help with the repair. It is not in the 5-year Plan.
2. In the 5-year Plan there are 7,500 ft./yr. of waterlines to be replaced.
3. The Water Department's 5-year Plan has no water rate increases for the next 5 years.

#### Wastewater:

1. The Dry-sludge is the way to deal with the sludge. A farmer is taking all that the City is producing.
2. Relining the pipes is not in the 5-year Plan. If the City relines pipes in the first, third and fifth year of the Plan, it is about \$100,000/yr. which is doable in the Wastewater 5-year Plan. The City is capable of doing some of the work in house.
3. The Wastewater Department's 5-year Plan has no wastewater rate increases for the next 5



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years.

**Electric:**

1. The last electric rate increase was 2016. If the City allows the 5% rate increase, the City rates will still be in the lower 50% of the 2019 Rate List of local electric rates. The increase will be May 1.
2. The Electric Department's share of the New Hydro-Ex Truck is \$100,000 which is 25% of the total. This has been added to the Electric Department's 5-year Plan.

**Other related business:**

1. The departments need their mapping. Water has done their mapping.

**11. STATEMENTS:**

Council Members:

**Harris:** Reviewed the Billing and Payment Adjustments. Prayers for Robert Reisner and his family.

**Blake:** He gave the Jasper County Animal Control Report.

**Brown:** He discussed the Public Safety Committee that he attended. (Note: The minutes are available at Jasper County.) Thoughts and prayers for Robert Reisner and his family.

**Glumac:** Thoughts and prayers for Robert Reisner and his family.

**City Treasurer:** Thoughts and prayers for Robert Reisner and his family.

**City Clerk:** I will pray for Robert and his family.

**Mayor:** He had recently received information that the Newton Police Department was awarded a USDA grant for radios with SCIRPDC help. The Mayor called for a moment of silence for Robert Reisner and family.

**12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 6, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

**SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Dues and Donations Committee Meeting March 29, 2021 at 6:00 PM at City Hall**

**13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, personnel, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate**

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, personnel, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 6:37 PM**

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

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Blake**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 7:07 PM.**

Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, personnel, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.**

**Submitted by Rosetta York**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLES March 17, 2021

ZONING

Hometown Register	\$47.83
Total Zoning	\$47.83

STREET

Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$404.46
Cintas	\$101.24
Essence Chemical Company	\$567.45
Gano Welding Supply, Inc.	\$36.00
Higgs Welding, LLC.	\$316.60
Jasper Clothiers	\$325.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$12.34
Lorenz Supply Co.	\$68.24
Midwest Fence Corp.	\$6,000.00
Martin's IGA	\$23.98
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$169.68
Terminix International	\$26.66
Total Street	\$8,051.65

POLICE

Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$173.10
Buds N' Blossoms	\$50.00
Card Service Center	\$78.97
Cintas	\$79.72
County of Jasper	\$6,618.63
Ron Heltsley dba Heltsley Gun Sales	\$56.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$20.20
McClane Motor Sales, Inc.	\$440.20
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$21.10
Ray O'Herron	\$331.92
Office Essentials	\$433.59
P.F. Pettibone & Co.	\$294.05
South Central FS	\$42.95
Mike Swick	\$67.63
Terminix International	\$26.67
Technology Management Revolving Fund	\$221.35
Verizon Wireless	\$108.12
Total Police	\$9,283.42

PARK

Kirchner Building Centers	\$112.69
Total Park	\$112.69

POUND

County of Jasper	\$1,213.19
Total Pound	\$1,213.19

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Card Service Center	\$14.99
Bill Heap	\$150.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$12.99
Kemper Technology Consulting	\$262.50
Kirby Risk	\$241.50
Miller Office Equipment	\$427.36
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$47.92
Office Essentials	\$603.27
Terminix International	\$26.67
Total General Administration	\$2,006.42

POOL

Card Service Center	-\$15.99
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TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS \$20,699.21

EMA

County of Jasper	\$502.28
Total EMA	\$502.28

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

Amber A Go Go	\$1,000.00
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$295.12
Carrie Goldstein	\$900.00
Hometown Register	\$144.00
Total Capital Development	\$2,339.12

TIF

PGAV Planners, LLC.	\$5,300.00
Total TIF	\$5,300.00

EAGLE TRAIL

Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$1,180.50
Total Eagle Trail	\$1,180.50

TOTAL SPECIALS \$9,321.90

ELECTRIC

Anixter, Inc.	9,205.18
Barbeck Communications	\$844.67
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$130.92
Big D Electric	\$74,963.73
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$75.00
Brooks Brothers Trailers	\$14,320.00
Brownstown Electric Supply	\$7,228.99
Cintas	\$57.15
Bonnie Fin	\$40.00
Fastenal Company	\$74.20
Gettysburg Flag Works	\$845.55
J Harlen Co., Inc.	\$1,266.38
Jasper Clothiers	\$92.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$14.25
Jasper County Health Dept.	\$98.00
JM Test Systems	\$234.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$25.07
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$169.40
Online Information Services	\$43.50
Pennington Chevrolet Buick	\$58.25
Republic Services #694	\$310.19
Roepke Overhead Doors	\$350.00
Springfield Electric Supply	\$430.89
Sarah Bush Lincoln	\$75.00
Terminix International	\$27.50
Total Electric	\$110,979.82

WATER

Alliance Tractor LLC.	\$26.19
American Solutions for Business	\$240.98
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$46.85
Bradford Supply Company	\$393.40
Hach	\$295.38
Hawkins, Inc.	\$236.53
Higgs Welding, LLC.	\$275.00
Illinois Rural Water Association	\$110.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$48.10
Jensen Equipment Company	\$205.82
Midwest Meter, Inc.	\$1,003.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$186.24
Schulte Supply	\$124.83
SCIRP & DC	\$3,750.00
Wilson Trucking, LLC.	\$1,783.65
Total Water	\$8,725.97

WWT

Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$148.81
Coe Equipment, Inc.	\$3,038.41
Essence Chemical Company	\$297.64
Hawkins, Inc.	\$1,906.08
Kirchner Building Centers	\$128.56
Martin's IGA	\$23.99
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$223.51
Pennington Chevrolet Buick	\$36.50
City of Robinson - WWTF	\$128.00
Terminix International	\$27.50
Total WWT	\$5,959.00

TOTAL PAYABLES= \$155,685.90

Prepays April 21, 2021

General Fund

Sparklight	\$938.45
UMB Bank, N.A.	\$13,737.50
Higgs Wleding, LLC	\$33,633.00
Ameren Illinois	\$773.32
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Mike Swick	\$91.16
LIUNA National (Industrial) Pension Fund	\$2,277.55
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	\$58.95
Wex Bank Circle K	\$652.64
City of Newton	\$790.95
Wex Bank Marathon	\$760.59
Illinois Juvenile Officers Association	\$325.00
Newton Library	\$1,730.08
Director, Illinois State Police	\$2,553.00
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	\$58,369.44

Payroll

AFLAC	\$1,095.80
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	\$112.00
Local 1197 Secretary Treasurer	\$798.00
The Standard	\$326.90
State Disbursement Unit	\$870.00
NGL Insurance Group	\$26.68
American Heritage Life Insurance	\$46.78
Standard Insurance Co. -Vision	\$311.20
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	\$3,587.36

Insurance

The Standard	\$211.12
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Electric

Secretary of State	\$158.00
Raymond Reynolds	\$37.00
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Ameren Illinois	\$266.33
Dollar General Corp.	\$26.14
Verizon Wireless	\$49.69
Sparklight	\$105.59
Newton Post Office	\$140.54
City of Newton	\$245.58
Wex Bank	\$569.36
Norris Electric Coop.	\$128.25
Illinois Power Marketing	\$89,822.78
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	\$91,596.51

WATER

Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Ameren Illinois	\$270.04
Verizon Wireless	\$21.80
Sparklight	\$90.27
Newton Post Office	\$140.54
City of Newton	\$2,421.46
Wex Bank	\$289.23
UPS	\$37.69
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	\$3,318.28

WWT

Verizon Wireless	\$49.70
Ameren Illinois	\$192.93
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Sparklight	\$90.27
Newton Post Office	\$140.55
City of Newton	\$3,684.60
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$411.24
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	\$4,616.54

SPECIALS

Trustmark Health Benefits, Inc.	\$1,107.10
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	\$1,107.10

TIF

Maulding Excavating	\$25,961.76
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	\$25,961.76

CDAP GRANT

Boardwalk Contracting, Inc.	\$61,932.00
SCIRP DC	\$4,250.00
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	\$66,182.00

Total Prepays = \$254,950.11



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1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.**
3. ROLL CALL: Amy Tarr, Deputy City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Robert Reisner**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Deputy Clerk Amy Tarr**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Add Kenneth & Elisabeth Belcher, 3B General Contracting to and delete Shannon Woodard from #6.  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of March 16, 2021  
**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Glumac, to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: Shannon Woodard, Kenneth & Elisabeth Belcher, 3B General Contracting  
**Kenneth & Elisabeth Belcher, 3B General Contracting:** The Belchers are owners/operators of 3B General Contracting. They want to purchase dilapidated homes, refurbish them, and sell them at affordable prices.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
  - A. Consider and act on approving B&T Drainage, the lowest responsible bidder, as the contractor for the Liberty Street Water Upgrade Project at \$486,510.  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to approve B&T Drainage, the lowest responsible bidder, as the contractor for the Liberty Street Water Upgrade Project at \$486,510.**  
**Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
  - B. Consider and act on approving the Grant agreement with USDA for Police Radios.  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to approve the \$25,000 Grant Agreement with USDA for Police Radios.**  
**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**  
**Nays: None**
  - C. Consider and act on Dues and Donation distribution of \$4700 funds, excluding Jasper County Association for Home & Community Education, Strong Girls and Strong Boys Newton Elementary School Program.  
**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Harris, to distribute \$4700 of Dues and Donation funds, excluding Jasper County Association for Home & Community Education, Strong Girls and Strong Boys Newton Elementary School Program**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake**  
**Nays: None**
  - D. Consider and act on Dues and Donation distribution of \$400 funds to Jasper County Association for Home & Community Education.  
**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Brooks, to distribute \$400 of Dues and Donation funds to Jasper County Association for Home and Community Education.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: Harris**



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- E. Consider and act on Dues and Donation distribution of \$400 funds to Strong Girls and Strong Boys Newton Elementary School Program.

**Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Brown, to distribute \$400 of Dues and Donation funds to Strong Girls and Strong Boys Newton Elementary School Program.**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: Glumac**

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Consider and act on two Newton Police Department employees to attend the IJOA & IDOA 2021 Annual State Conference Continued Professional Training on June 15-18 with fees of \$325/2 officers plus allowable expenses. (IJOA is Illinois Juvenile Officer's Association. IDOA is Illinois D.A.R.E. Officer's Association.)

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to authorize two Newton Police Department employees to attend the IJOA & IDOA 2021 Annual State Conference Continued Professional Training on June 15-18 with fees of \$325/2 officers plus allowable expenses. (IJOA is Illinois Juvenile Officer's Association. IDOA is Illinois D.A.R.E. Officer's Association.)**

**Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

- B. Consider and act on Consider and act on Jasper County Economic Development Coordinator to attend Illinois Tax Increment Association Spring Conference on April 6 – 8 with fees of \$300 plus allowable expense.

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to approve Jasper County Economic Development Coordinator to attend Illinois Tax Increment Association Spring Conference on April 6 – 8 with fees of \$300.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

**Blake -- Dues and Donations Committee Meeting on March 29, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

**Dues and Donations Committee**

**March 29, 2021**

**6:10 PM – 7:45 PM**

Present: Eric Blake, Marlene Harris, Gayle Glumac, David Brown and Melissa Brooks

Discussed the 2021 applications for Dues and Donations.  
The total amount to be given is set at \$5,500.00. The proposed amounts are:

Jasper County Cancer Support	\$725.00
Jasper County Home Front	\$725.00
Jasper County Association for Home & Community Education	\$400.00
Jasper County Youth Soccer	\$250.00
St. Thomas Elementary School	\$600.00
Newton Elementary 5th Grade Language Arts	\$150.00
Jasper Co. Junior High Science Lab	\$150.00
Jasper Co. Boys' & Girls' Park	\$600.00
Newton Elementary Grade Science	\$150.00
Jasper Co. Junior High Student Council	\$100.00
Strong Girls and Strong Boys School Program - Newton Elementary	\$400.00
NCHS Chorus and Musical	\$200.00
Jasper County Junior High Band	\$ 100.00
Sunrise Youth Center Soccer Program	\$ 250.00
Jasper County Youth B-ball	\$ 200.00
Newton Junior Football League	\$ 500.00
	\$5,500.00

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

**Eric Blake, Chairman**



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Harris – JEDI Meeting on April 6, 2021 at 10:30 AM

Jasper County JEDI

Zoom Meeting

Tuesday April 6th 2021 at 10:30

1. Meeting was called to order by Mark Bolander
2. Motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes by Sarah Kincade and seconded by Marlene Harris.

## Amber Volk Executive Director

1. Chamber 360 Tour is complete. Peoples State Bank will be the next business to complete the 360 Tour.
2. Flo's Coffee Shop is applying for a TIF application.
3. Elite Fitness is working on the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Grant.

## Mark Bolander, City of Newton

1. Today is election day. Results will be on Facebook at Jasper County Daily News.

## Doug Weddell, Jasper County Board.

1. JC Board approved a bid for the jail project.
2. Road Material Tax for County roads is being voted on today. This is not a new tax. It has to be renewed and voted on every 5 years.

## Beth Probst, spoke for Superintendent of Jasper County Schools

1. School is back.

## Sarah Kincade, Jasper County Chamber

1. There have been 3 ribbon cuttings recently. The next one will be at Sky Saloon on April 18 at 3pm.
2. New members joined Chamber this month.
3. U of I is going to be moving into Chamber offices.

## Amber Wakefield Marketing

1. 360 Tours
2. Glitch with the marquee will be fixed soon

Motion to close was proposed.

JEDI toured West End Reception & Event Hall.

## 10. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Glumac:** No comment

**Brown:** City-Wide Cleanup will be May 21 & 22.

**Brooks:** It is good to be back.

**Blake:** No comment

**Harris:** I hope everyone voted today.

**City Attorney:** No comment

**City Treasurer:** No comment

**Deputy City Clerk:** No comment



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**Mayor:** The City of Newton's 1% portion of the 7.25% sales tax was \$46,300.55 higher in 2020 than 2019. If sales tax revenue continues to do well, the City needs to consider that when calculating the tax levy next year.

I want to encourage businesses and independent contractors to contact their bankers to see if they qualify for the next round of PPP loans. The interest rate is 1%, unless the loan gets forgiven. Then it would be considered a grant.

If you drive around town, you will see many positive things happening in our community. We are still looking for additional growth.

Welcome back Larry Brooks.

### 11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 6:00 PM

#### SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

**Water Committee Meeting Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 5:00 PM**

**Finance Committee Meeting Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 5:30 PM**

**Police and Street Committees Meeting Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 5:30 PM**

**Finance Committee Meeting Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 5:30 PM**

### 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, personnel, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, personnel, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 6:30 PM**

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

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 6:51 PM.**

**Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, personnel, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate.**

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Blake, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.**

**Submitted by Amy J. Tarr**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy Tarr".



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1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman David Brown.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman David Brown.**
3. ROLL CALL: Deputy City Clerk, Brenda Phillips  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Robert Reisner**  
**Also, present: Attorney Bill Heap, Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Deputy Clerk Brenda Phillips.**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Delete #8A  
**Motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Glumac, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of April 6, 2021  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
**Alderman Harris reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$254,950.11 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and make a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$262,310.77.**  
**Brooks seconded the motion.**  
**Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS:  
**Chief Mike Swick:**
  - City Wide Clean Up is May 21 and 22. It will be located north of City Hall, with the entrance on Marion St. by the City's Street Department. There will be dumpsters and a tire collection at that site for City of Newton residences only. Elderly and disabled people can call City Hall 618-783-8451 if they need assistance moving large items.
  - The City is not taking electronics this year since the Jasper County Highway Department holds at least 2 electronic recycling events each year.
  - The brush dump will be open both days
  - It is permissible to burn yard waste during daylight hours, but be courteous to neighbors and use caution.**Mayor:**
  - Republic Service will pick up trash for ALL residences on May 21 regardless if you have an account or not. Place trash at curbside for pick up by 6:00 a.m.
8. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. ~~Consider and act on 2021-22 City of Newton balanced budget.~~  
**Motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to pass the 2021-22 City of Newton balanced budget.**  
**Ayes:**  
**Nays: None**
  - b. Consider and act on Department Heads' wage increase of \$0.85/hour effective May 1, 2021.  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brown, authorizing a Department Heads' wage increase of \$0.85/hour effective May 1, 2021.**



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**Ayes:** Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks

**Nays:** None

- c. Consider and act on Part-time employees' wage increase of \$0.50/hour effective May 1, 2021.

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, authorizing a Part-time employees' wage increase of \$0.50/hour effective May 1, 2021.**

**Ayes:** Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake

**Nays:** None

- d. Consider and act on Aquatic Center employee wages effective May 1, 2021

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brown, to authorize Aquatic Center employee wages effective May 1, 2021.**

**Ayes:** Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris

**Nays:** None

Newton Aquatic Center Wages	
	Effective 5/1/2021
Manager	\$17.75
Assistant Manager	\$14.00
Lifeguards	\$12.00
Concessions	\$11.00

- e. Consider and act on Resolution 21-06 establishing a time and place for a public hearing to consider the proposed 2021 Amendment to the TIF Redevelopment Plan and Project for redevelopment of TIF Project Area No. 1.

**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Glumac, approving Resolution 21-06 establishing a time and place for a public hearing to consider the proposed 2021 Amendment to the TIF Redevelopment Plan and Project for redevelopment of TIF Project Area No. 1.**

**Ayes:** Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac

**Nays:** None

- f. Consider and act on authorizing Connor & Connor to obtain IEPA permit and solicit bids on a new Water Well #10, as a replacement to failed Well #6.

**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris to authorize Connor & Connor to obtain IEPA permit and solicit bids on a new Water Well #10, as a replacement to failed Well #6.**

**Ayes:** Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown

**Nays:** None

- g. Consider and act on approving Chief Swick's 1 year agreement.

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris to approve Chief Swick's 1 year agreement from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022.**

**Ayes:** Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks

**Nays:** None

## NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on Special Event Application from Newton Elite Fitness.

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brown, authorizing a Special Event Application from Newton Elite Fitness.**

**Ayes:** Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake

**Nays:** None

- b. Consider and act on TIF application for Flo's Coffee Bar, LLC (Brady & Alissa Shull), 507 W. Jourdan.

**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Glumac, to authorize TIF application for \$2,500.00 to Flo's Coffee Bar, LLC (Brady & Alissa Shull), 507 W Jourdan.**

**Ayes:** Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris

**Nays:** None

- c. Consider and act on TIF application for 3B General Contracting, LLC, 503 W. Washington St.



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**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Brooks, to authorize TIF application for \$2,500.00 to 3B General Contracting, LLC, 503 W. Washington St.**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: Harris**

d. Consider and act on writing off an uncollectible debt in the amount of \$6462.95 for utility account 10-0875-00, ALCO Stores Inc., from 2014, due to bankruptcy.

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brooks, authorizing writing off an uncollectible debt in the amount of \$6462.95 for utility account 10-0875-00, ALCO Stores Inc., from 2014, due to bankruptcy.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

e. Consider and act on the annual 21-05 Resolution for MFT Street Maintenance Program.

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to authorize and to pass the annual 21-05 Resolution for MFT Street Maintenance Program.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

f. Consider and act on authorizing the City Attorney to draw up an ordinance necessary to make Decatur Street one-way west from the intersection of Stanley Street and Decatur to the intersection of Decatur and Hutton Street.

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, authorizing the City Attorney to draw up an ordinance necessary to make Decatur Street one-way west from the intersection of Stanley Street and Decatur to the intersection of Decatur and Hutton Street.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: Blake**

g. Consider and act on purchase of a vehicle for Newton Police Department.

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, authorizing the purchase of a vehicle for Newton Police Department for an approximate amount of \$14,173.16 to include vehicle purchase amount of \$11,150.00 from McClane Motor Sales and accessories in the amount of \$3023.16 from CJ's Performance & Accessories using Non-Tax funds.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: Water Committee April 7, 2021 at 5:00 PM, Finance Committee April 7 at 5:30 PM, Street and Police Joint Committee Meeting April 14, 2021 at 5:30 PM, Finance Committee Meeting April 15, 2021 at 5:30 PM, and Public Safety Committee Meeting April 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM

**Brooks— Water Committee 4/7/2021:**

- Water Well #6 has failed. Shannon Woodard recommends a new well be drilled at an estimated cost of \$75,000. Shannon Woodard, on the City's behalf, will go out for bids for this project.
- Discussed selling an old Water Department truck by sealed bids.

**Harris— Finance Committee 4/7/2021:**

- Amber Volk explained the TIF application for Flo's Coffee Bar. Brad and Alissa Shull are asking for \$2,500 to do repairs and roof at 507 W Jourdan St. It was agreed to add this item to the agenda for next council meeting.
- Discussed TIF application for 3B General Contracting LLC. They are going to fix water issues, replace window sill plate(s), and do other improvements at 503 W Washington St. They are asking for \$2,500. It was agreed to add this request to the next council agenda.



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- On behalf of Collections clerk's and Kemper CPA Group's recommendations, it was discussed to write off a bill for the old Alco. They filed bankruptcy in 2014. This will also be on the next council agenda.
- A late fee from ENGIE Impact was asked to be forgiven, but no reason was given other than they would like us to do so. It was rejected.
- Melissa Brooks stated she has received 3 payments from the Rebuild Illinois Funds, for the repaving of the square, totaling \$93,880.17 which were reimbursed back to the TIF account.
- The City of Newton had \$117,530 of qualifying expenditures for The Cares Act Grant. That money has been deposited into the accounts that the expenses were paid from.
- Went into Executive session at 5:48 to discuss salaries. Went out of Executive session at 6:40.
- The 5% Electric increase was discussed.

### **Glumac/Brown— Street and Police Committee 4/14/2021:**

- Indiana Railroad and IDOT want to enhance the safety of the crossing at West End and Decatur. In discussion, it was decided as a consensus to have Decatur Street be one-way west from the intersection of Stanley to Hutton. With the amount of everyday traffic and events that are held at the high school, it was decided to table making West End one way south from the high school to the intersection of West End and Decatur. After Indiana Railroad takes this back to the table a meeting will be scheduled to come up with a solution that will best serve the City.
- It was discussed to have protocols for Animal Control and possibly expanding on the program. A meeting with the County needs to be scheduled.
- Chief Swick presented to Committee a 1 year agreement. A full time and part time Officer will need to be hired in the near future.
- A 2012 Dodge Durango will be replacing 2 vehicles.
- New computers for the Police Dept. looking at the possibility of a Grant.
- Police department router is not secure. Chief Swick has received a quote from SDS and is meeting with Kemper's April 15 to get a quote comparison.

### **Harris --- Finance Committee 4/15/2021:**

- Treasurer Melissa Brooks passed out proposed budgets for 2021-2022.
- Budgets were discussed.

### **Brown--- Public Safety Committee Meeting (EMA Report) 4/19/2021:**

- Received 2017 Explorer through a grant
- Helping with COVID Clinics
- Assisted with a missing persons search. A Code Red text alert assisted with the locate.
- Emergency Operation Plan hasn't been approved yet by the State.
- Nothing found for EMA vehicle storage. The EMA vehicles will stay at the City building as long as it works.

(David also discussed the full Public Safety Meeting. The full minutes are available at Jasper County.)

### **10. STATEMENTS:**

Council Members:

**Glumac:** No comment

**Brown:** Told the Council he will be meeting with Brad and Cheryl to discuss 2021 pool/park season and looking over applications.

**Brooks:** Winter is back!

**Blake:** Read the animal control report.

**Harris:** Reviewed the Billing and Payment Adjustments. Encourages everyone to attend the Jasper County CEO Tradeshow coming up Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 5pm – 7pm, at the West End Events Center. Alderwoman Harris also commented on how well the Street Department fixed a concrete pad on Marion Street.

**City Attorney:** No comment

**City Treasurer:** No comment

**City Clerk:**



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- EL Department PO # 23279 to Midwest Transformer for a transformer for the firehouse \$8,635.00

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to authorize payment of PO # 23279 for \$8,635.00 to Midwest Transformer for the purchase of a transformer for a firehouse upgrade due to the new jail.**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

- EL Department PO # 23279 to Midwest Transformer for a transformer for the jail \$15,880.00

**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to authorize payment of PO # 23279 for \$15,880.00 to Midwest Transformer for the purchase of a transformer for the new jail.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

- Police Department PO #2021-0, for \$3,215.00 for an in-car computer

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to authorize payment of PO # 2021-0 for \$3,215.00 to SHI for an in-car computer and computer accessories.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

- Police Department PO #2021-1 SDS for \$2,839.80 (SonicWall router)

**Motion was made Harris by seconded by Brown, to authorize payment of PO #2021-1 for \$2,839.80 to SDS for a SonicWall router and installation.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake**

**Nays: None**

### Mayor:

- Extended a Happy Birthday wish to long-time Alderman Robert Reisner.
- Addressed Mayor-Elect Kuhl, Council, Clerk, Treasurer and Attorney with the following letter:



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Incorporated City 1887

April 20, 2021

Dear Mayor-Elect Kuhl, Council, Clerk, Treasurer and Attorney:

I hope this letter finds you in good health and spirit.

As you well know, the April 6 election did not turn out like I had hoped; however, our people have spoken.

Our community has a tremendous number of projects in various stages, some premature and very confidential. At this point none of us know how much time Mayor-Elect Kuhl will have to give to the city in order for these projects to move forward.

Therefore, I want to challenge our new Mayor and his team to do what it takes to be successful. If that is not possible, please consider hiring a full-time City Administrator. If you hire a good one, the additional cost will pay for itself.

In closing, you are all capable of doing a great job for this fine city. Please step up to the challenge and make our community proud. The City of Newton and Jasper County not only depends on it, but also deserves your best. Thank you.

May God bless you all.

Mark Bolander  
Mayor of Newton, IL

### 11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 4, 2021 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Police Committee Meeting April 28, 2021 at 5:30 PM, Special Council Meeting April 28 at 6:00 PM, Insurance Meeting May 3, 2021 at 6:00 PM, Finance Committee Meeting May 4, 2021 at 5:45 PM at City Hall



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12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and purchase of real estate, and personnel.

**Motion was made by Harris seconded by Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate, and personnel pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 6:43 PM**

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

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 7:30 PM.**

Mayor Bolander announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate, and personnel.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

**Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.**

**Submitted by Brenda Phillips**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brenda Phillips". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLES April 21, 2021

## STREET

A-J Welding & Steel, Inc.	\$12.20
American Solutions for Business	\$28.58
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$657.25
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$1,270.00
Bradford Supply Company	\$784.12
CCI Redi Mix	\$348.00
Card Service Center	\$102.89
Jasper Clothiers	\$114.75
Key Equipment & Supply Co.	\$546.79
Kirchner Building Centers	\$14.98
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$538.75
Roepke Overhead Doors	\$340.00
Sherwin-Williams	\$2,280.80
Michael Todd Company, Inc.	\$423.05
Terminix International	\$26.66
Wilson Trucking LLC.	\$2,991.46
Total Street	\$10,480.28

## POLICE

American Solutions for Business	\$28.58
Axon Enterprise, Inc.	\$533.48
Barbeck Communications	\$345.00
Backwoods Lawn Service	\$40.00
Gwen Baker	\$274.03
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$439.60
Cintas	\$104.26
Cintas Corporation	\$80.80
County of Jasper	\$7,229.79
Card Service Center	\$529.38
Derick Fischer	\$460.00
Dan Hecht Chevrolet-Toyota	\$552.19
Lorenz Supply Co.	\$34.76
Martin's IGA	\$51.14
McClane Motor Sales, Inc.	\$59.45
Judy McClure's Signs & Graphics, Inc.	\$275.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$6.99
Ray O'Herron Co, Inc.	\$511.09
Total Printing Systems	\$39.00
Technology Management Revolving Fund	\$221.35
Terminix International	\$26.67
Verizon Wireless	\$108.16
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$927.50
Total Police	\$12,878.22

## CEMETERY

Backwoods Lawn Service	\$1,860.00
Yager's Backhoe Service	\$500.00
Total Cemetery	\$2,360.00

## PARK

American Solutions for Business	\$28.58
Backwoods Lawn Service	\$665.00
Dollar General Corporation	\$31.45
Jasper Clothiers	\$222.60
Kirchner Building Centers	\$36.35
Midwest Tractor Sales	\$5.00
Miracle Recreation Equipment Co.	\$1,183.69
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$105.81
Total Park	\$2,278.48

## POUND

County of Jasper	\$1,132.04
Total Pound	\$1,132.04

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

American Solutions for Business	\$28.58
Gwen Baker	\$274.02
Buds N' Blossoms	\$62.00

Gen. Adm. Cont	
Card Service Center	\$14.99
Dollar General Corporation	\$19.25
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$4.36
Kemper Technology Consulting	\$260.00
Lorenz Supply Company	\$34.76
Office Essentials	\$76.16
Total Printing Systems	\$156.00
Terminix International	\$26.67
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$43.75
Total General Administration	\$1,000.54

#### POOL

Card Service Center	\$24.94
Kiefer Aquatics/The Lifeguard Store	\$277.80
Martin's IGA	\$4.98
Total Pool	\$307.72

TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS \$30,437.28

#### EMA

County of Jasper	\$745.15
Total EMA	\$745.15

#### TORT

Symetra Life Insurance Company	\$13,768.00
Total TORT	\$13,768.00

#### CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

Amber A Go Go	\$1,000.00
Backwoods Lawn Service	\$60.00
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$798.89
Southeastern IL. Community Foundation	\$6,666.68
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.	\$437.50
Jasper County Cancer Support	\$725.00
Jasper County Home Front	\$725.00
Jasper County Assoc. for Home & Community Education	\$400.00
Jasper County Youth Soccer	\$250.00
St. Thomas Elementary School	\$600.00
Newton Elementary 5th Grade Language Arts	\$150.00
Jasper County Jr. High Science Lab	\$150.00
Jasper County Boys' & Girls' Park	\$600.00
Newton Elementary Grade Science	\$150.00
Jasper County Jr. High Student Council	\$100.00
Strong Girls & Strong Boys School Program Newton Elementary	\$400.00
NCHS Chorus & Musical	\$200.00
Jasper County Jr. High Band	\$100.00
Sunrise Youth Center Soccer Program	\$250.00
Jasper County Youth B-ball	\$200.00
Newton Junior Football League	\$500.00
Total Capital Development	\$14,463.07

#### TIF

Connor & Connor Consulting Engineers	\$11,450.93
Card Service Center	\$300.00
Merz Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.	\$1,413.00
Newton Post Office	\$500.48
PGAV Planners, LLC.	\$8,192.83
Total Printing Systems	\$235.00
Total TIF	\$22,092.24

#### EAGLE TRAIL

Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$3,195.56
Total Eagle Trail	\$3,195.56

TOTAL SPECIALS \$54,264.02

#### ELECTRIC

A-J Welding & Steel, Inc.	\$6.84
Alliance Tractor LLC.	\$76.53
American Solutions for Business	\$28.59

Electric Cont.	
Anixter, Inc.	\$3,995.69
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$39.11
BHMG Engineers	\$3,654.53
Big D Electrical Contractors, Inc.	\$112,762.78
Bridgewell Resources, LLC.	\$13,390.00
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$280.94
Brownstown Electric Supply	\$7,178.79
Clarke Mosquito Control Products, Inc.	\$2,496.94
Card Service Center	\$434.99
CCI Redi Mix	\$642.00
Dollar General Corporation	\$25.00
J Harlen Co., Inc.	\$404.75
Huddleston Supply, Inc.	\$9.03
Jasper Clothiers	\$79.75
JM Test Systems, Inc.	\$111.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$31.90
Julie, Inc.	\$167.27
Kirchner Building Centers	\$131.11
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$828.20
Online Information Services	\$73.20
Progressive Chemical & Lighting, Inc.	\$466.03
Pennington Ford	\$57.88
Springfield Electric Supply	\$27.95
Symetra Life Insurance Company	\$8,878.00
Terminix International	\$27.50
Winterland, Inc.	\$55.94
Wilson Trucking LLC.	\$445.05
Total Electric	\$156,807.29

#### WATER

A-J Welding & Steel, Inc.	\$45.00
American Solutions for Business	\$28.59
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$96.03
Bradford Supply Company	\$290.62
Hawkins, Inc.	\$215.88
IMCO Utility Supply Co.	\$104.00
Illinois EPA Laboratory	\$2,954.02
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$7.59
Julie, Inc.	\$167.27
Midwest Meter, Inc.	\$3,475.50
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$31.99
Schulte Supply, Inc.	\$54.47
Symetra Life Insurance Company	\$4,786.00
UPS	\$34.10
Total Water	\$12,291.06

#### WWT

Alliance Tractor LLC.	\$66.44
American Solutions for Business	\$28.59
Automatic Door Systems, LLC.	\$748.00
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$98.63
Cintas	\$72.13
Card Service Center	\$1,478.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$69.81
Julie, Inc.	\$167.27
Kirchner Building Centers	\$130.39
Martin's IGA	\$36.90
Marathon Tire Service	\$92.50
Midwest Tractor Sales	\$80.58
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$212.62
Schulte Supply, Inc.	\$108.00
Symetra Life Insurance Company	\$4,092.00
Terminix International	\$27.50
USA BlueBook	\$937.76
Wabash Valley Service Co.	\$64.00
Total WWT	\$8,511.12

**TOTAL PAYABLES=** **\$262,310.77**

**General Fund**

Sparklight	\$938.45
UMB Bank, N.A.	\$13,737.50
Higgs Wleding, LLC	\$33,633.00
Ameren Illinois	\$773.32
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Mike Swick	\$91.16
LIUNA National (Industrial) Pension Fund	\$2,277.55
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	\$58.95
Wex Bank Circle K	\$652.64
City of Newton	\$790.95
Wex Bank Marathon	\$760.59
Illinois Juvenile Officers Association	\$325.00
Newton Library	\$1,730.08
Director, Illinois State Police	\$2,553.00
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	\$58,369.44

**Payroll**

AFLAC	\$1,095.80
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	\$112.00
Local 1197 Secretary Treasurer	\$798.00
The Standard	\$326.90
State Disbursement Unit	\$870.00
NGL Insurance Group	\$26.68
American Heritage Life Insurance	\$46.78
Standard Insurance Co. -Vision	\$311.20
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	\$3,587.36

**Insurance**

The Standard	\$211.12
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**Electric**

Secretary of State	\$158.00
Raymond Reynolds	\$37.00
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Ameren Illinois	\$266.33
Dollar General Corp.	\$26.14
Verizon Wireless	\$49.69
Sparklight	\$105.59
Newton Post Office	\$140.54
City of Newton	\$245.58
Wex Bank	\$569.36
Norris Electric Coop.	\$128.25
Illinois Power Marketing	\$89,822.78
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	\$91,596.51

**WATER**

Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Ameren Illinois	\$270.04
Verizon Wireless	\$21.80
Sparklight	\$90.27
Newton Post Office	\$140.54
City of Newton	\$2,421.46
Wex Bank	\$289.23
UPS	\$37.69
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	\$3,318.28

**WWT**

Verizon Wireless	\$49.70
Ameren Illinois	\$192.93
Pitney Bowes, Inc.	\$47.25
Sparklight	\$90.27
Newton Post Office	\$140.55
City of Newton	\$3,684.60
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$411.24
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	\$4,616.54

**SPECIALS**

Trustmark Health Benefits, Inc.	\$1,107.10
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	\$1,107.10

**TIF**

Maulding Excavating	\$25,961.76
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	\$25,961.76

**CDAP GRANT**

Boardwalk Contracting, Inc.	\$61,932.00
SCIRP DC	\$4,250.00
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	\$66,182.00

**Total Prepays =** 

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\$254,950.11



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SPECIAL MEETING  
108 N. Van Buren St  
Newton, IL 62448  
April 28, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Larry Brooks.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Larry Brooks.**
3. ROLL CALL: Brenda Phillips, Deputy City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Robert Reisner**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks, and Deputy Clerk Brenda Phillips**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to adopt the amended/proposed agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of April 20, 2021  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: None
7. OLD BUSINESS:
  - A. Consider and act on not raising the City's electric rates 5% for the fiscal year 2021-2022.  
**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to not raise the City's electric rates by 5% for the fiscal year 2021-2022.**  
**Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
  - B. Consider and act on raising the City's electric rates 1.5% for the fiscal year 2021-2022. (The city has not raised since 2016. The new rates will still be the lowest rates in the area.)  
**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Brown, to authorize raising the City's electric rates 1.5% for the fiscal year 2021-2022.**  
**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**  
**Nays: None**
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - A. Consider and act on approving the 2021-2022 balance budget.  
**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to approve the 2021-2022 balanced budget.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake**  
**Nays: None**
9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:  
**Brown--- Police 4/28/21**
  - Discussed applications for part-time and full-time officers. Full-time academy is booked out until fall of 2022. July 17<sup>th</sup> is next part-time academy.
  - The committee unanimously agreed to hire two part-time officers.
  - The two applications for building code official were reviewed and discussed. Chief Swick's recommendation was to interview both applicants.
  - Chief also discussed having City Hall inspected and roof looked at.



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- Chief recommended the City make a resolution regarding qualified immunity.

**10. STATEMENTS:**

Council Members:

**Harris: No comment**

**Blake: Thanked the Treasurer's office for their hard work on the balance budget.**

**Brooks: Thanked the Treasurer's office for their hard work on the balance budget.**

**Brown: Thanked the Treasurer's office for their hard work on the balance budget.**

**Glumac: Thanked the Treasurer's office for their hard work on the balance budget. Showed appreciation to the electric department and clerk's office.**

**City Attorney: Absent**

**City Treasurer: No comment**

**City Clerk: No comment**

**Mayor: No comment**

**11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

**SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Insurance Committee Meeting May 3, 2021 at 6:00 PM and Finance Committee Meeting May 4, 2021 at 5:45 PM.**

**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:08 PM.**

**Submitted by Brenda Phillips**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brenda Phillips". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B'.



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May 4, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mark Bolander, Mayor  
**Mayor Mark Bolander called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Eric Blake.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Eric Blake.**
3. ROLL CALL: Amy Tarr, Deputy City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Robert Reisner**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks, Attorney William Heap, Mayor-Elect Joshua Kuhl, Alderman-Elect RJ Lindemann and Deputy Clerk Amy Tarr**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:  
Add Tim Dasenbrock and Michael Tappendorf to #6.  
Add PO# 6520 and 6251 to #7, Clerk Comments.  
Remove Rosetta York, Kenneth Albrecht and Ed Webb from #9.  
Add JEDI Meeting to #10.  
**Motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Marlene Harris, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES of April 28, 2021  
**Motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2021 special meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS:
  - a. **Luke Eastin & Trish Lund -- South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission (SCIRPDC)**  
Because of COVID delays, the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Grant has been extended another year. We are currently working on the 6<sup>th</sup> house out of 10.  
Contracts are signed and a pre-construction meeting will be held on May 11, 2021 at City Hall for the Liberty Street water project.  
Resolution 21-07 Jasper County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is a 5-year plan that will help Jasper County, the City of Newton and the Village of Ste Marie reduce the long-term risks associated with and caused by natural hazard events and disasters.
  - b. **Tim Dasenbrock – Hospitality Industry Representative for Area 51**  
Tim Dasenbrock introduced himself to the new Council and explained there is a delicate balance of liquor and gaming establishments in Newton and Jasper County. He shared his contact information in case the Council ever had a question or concern he could help with.
  - c. **Michael Tappendorf – Milano & Grunhol**  
Updated Eagle Trail plans were presented to Council. Milano and Grunhol are waiting for approval from IDOT and have submitted permit applications to Army Corp of Engineers and IDNR. Progress, although slow, is being made.
7. STATEMENTS BY :  
Council Members:  
**Harris: Thank you Mark.**  
**Blake: Thank you Mark.**  
**Brooks: Presented Mayor Mark Bolander with a plaque in recognition of 16 years of dedication and service to the City of Newton. The City also recognizes Robert Reisner's 20 years of dedication to the City and will take his plaque to him.**  
**It has been a pleasure working with you.**  
**Brown: Thank you to Mark and Bob for your years of serving as Mayor and Alderman.**  
**Congratulations to the new board.**



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The City pool is being filled. It is scheduled to open May 28, 2021.

Republic Service residential trash pickup day is changing. They are mailing out letters and attaching cards to totes to alert residents and businesses who will be affected by the change.

Glumac: Thank you, Mark, for your hard work.

City Attorney: Thank you, Mark, for your years of service to the City of Newton.

City Treasurer: Thank you Mark and Robert.

Deputy City Clerk: PO# 6520 Water Department Hacker Well & Pump \$20,100 for cleaning Wells 7 & 8 and cleaning raw water line.

A motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Marlene Harris to approve Water Department PO# 6520 to Hacker Well & Pump for \$20,100 to clean Wells 7&8 and clean raw water line.

Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown

Nays: None

PO# 6521 Water Department NAHC \$16,287.05 to install a new fence around the south water tower.

A motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Marlene Harris, to approve Water Department PO# 6521 to NAHC to install a new fence around the south water tower.

Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks

Nays: None

Mayor: I want to thank the Council for their hard work over the years. Good luck going forward. Newton is doing great things. Just get in your car and drive around. You will see all the good that is happening.

## 8. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Consider and act on TIF application for Flo's Coffee Bar, LLC (Brady & Alissa Shull), 507 W Jourdan.

Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by David Brown, to authorize TIF application for \$2,500.00 to Flo's Coffee Bar, LLC (Brady & Alissa Shull), 507 W Jourdan.

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake

Nays: None

B. Consider and act on Ordinance 21-03 to amend Schedule B to Section 24-3-2 One-Way Streets or Alleys to make West Decatur Street one-way heading West from the intersection of Stanley and West Decatur to the intersection of West Decatur and Hutton.

Motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to approve Ordinance 21-03 to amend Schedule B to Section 24-3-2 One-Way Streets or Alleys to make West Decatur Street one-way heading West from the intersection of Stanley and West Decatur to the intersection of West Decatur and Hutton.

Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Blake, Harris

Nays: None

## 9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Swear in newly elected officials.

i. ~~City Clerk Rosetta York~~

ii. Deputy Clerk Amy Tarr swore in Mayor Joshua Kuhl.

iii. Deputy Clerk Amy Tarr swore in Alderwoman Gayle Glumac, Alderman Eric Blake and Alderman R.J. Lindemann

iv. Deputy Clerk Amy Tarr swore in Zoning Board members Kenneth Albrecht, Maxine Calvert, Michael Swick and ~~Ed Webb~~.

The newly elected officials who were unable to attend the May 4, 2021 meeting will be sworn in at City Hall at a later date.

B. Pass the gavel and seat new officials.

C. Recognition of out-going officials.

Mayor Joshua Kuhl thanked Mark Bolander (16 years as Mayor) and Robert Reisner (20 years as Alderman) for their years of service to the citizens of Newton. We also continue to keep Bob and his family in our thoughts and prayers.



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- D. Consider and act on Resolution 21-07 adopting the update of the Jasper County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in the City of Newton.

**A motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by RJ Lindemann, to approve Resolution 21-07 adopting the update of the Jasper County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in the City of Newton.**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

- E. Consider and act on hiring Sarah Carter as a part-time police officer.

**A motion was made by David Brown, seconded by RJ Lindemann, to approve hiring Sarah Carter as a part-time police officer.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

- F. Consider and act on hiring Ashley Ruholl as a part-time police officer.

**A motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Marlene Harris, to approve hiring Ashley Ruholl as a part-time police officer.**

**Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

- G. Discuss moving Committee Reports to beginning of Council Meetings.

**The council discussed moving Committee Reports before Old Business on the agenda to allow discussion before action was taken. Statements by Council will continue to fall after New Business.**

- H. Discuss Committee consolidation.

**Mayor Kuhl may combine like committees, reducing the total number and eliminating the need for so many committee meetings. He will present more information at the next council meeting.**

- I. Discuss Animal Control.

**The City of Newton is considering pulling out of the Animal Control intergovernmental agreement with Jasper County and transitioning to a per-call charge. Mayor Kuhl wants to have more conversations with the County Board before any action is taken.**

### 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

- a. Insurance Committee Meeting May 3, 2021 at 6:00 PM

#### City of Newton Insurance Meeting

May 3, 2021

##### Attendees

Marlene Harris, Ray Reynolds, Larry Brooks, Eric Blake, RJ Lindeman, Mike Swick Tyler Weber, Gayle Glumac, Sandy Dhom, Donna Watkins, Adam Painter, Amy Tarr, Harley Gray, AJ Schafer, Brenda Phillips, Mike Schackmann, Joshua Kuhl, Melissa Brooks, Scott Rubsman, Matt Albert.

Called to order at 6:00 pm

- Discussed options for other insurance companies and the options they may offer.

Adjourned at 7:03

Submitted by Marlene Harris insurance Chairman

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- b. JEDI Meeting May 4, 2021 at 10:30 AM

## **Jasper County Economic Development, INC.**

### **Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**10:30am-12pm**

**Location: Jasper County Government Building  
County Board Room**

**204 W Washington St, Newton, IL 62448**

Attending: Amber Wakefield, Marlene Harris, Scott Bierman, Tom Brown, Jack Thompson, Sarah Kinkade, Mindy Hartke, Doug Weddell, Ron Heltsley, Larry Brooks, Amber Volk, Jason Warfel, Ben Bollman, Louis Ochs, Josh Kuhl.

1. Call to order, Chairman Scott Bierman.
2. Motion to approve previous March 2021 meeting minutes made by Marlene Harris, second by Jack Thompson, motion passed.
3. Welcomed newly elected City of Newton Mayor Josh Kuhl.
4. Discussed the direction of JEDI and what members would like to see. There was discussion on consolidating entities to have all under one "umbrella". Those entities will go and talk with their boards and also send Jason Warfel their bylaws to be reviewed by State's Attorney Chad Miller.
5. Motion to close meeting made by Ron Heltsley, second by Ben Bollman, and motion passed.

- c. Finance Committee Meeting May 4, 2021 at 5:45 PM

## **City of Newton Finance Meeting**

May 4, 2021

Present: Mark Bolander, Amber Volk, Marlene Harris, Amy Tarr, Gayle Glumac, Larry Brooks, Melissa Brooks, RJ Lindemann, David Brown, Mike Swick, Tim Dasenbrock, Joshua Kuhl, Tyler Weber, William Heap

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 PM.

Amber Volk presenting a TIF application for Flo's Coffee Bar, LLC (Brady & Alissa Shull), 507 W Jourdan. They are requesting \$2,500 to replace siding and add a porch. All required paperwork is present.

Meeting adjourned at 5:48 PM.

Submitted by Marlene Harris Finance Chairman

## 11. STATEMENTS BY NEWLY SEATED OFFICIALS:

Council Members:

**Lindemann: I am excited to be here and look forward to working with everyone.**

**Mayor: Comments were made under 9.C.**

## 12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: **Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

**Police Committee Meeting, Monday, May 10, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

**Personnel Committee Meeting, Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

## 13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate and personnel

**Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate and personnel pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 7:02 PM.**

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

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 8:06 PM.**

**Mayor Kuhl announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, purchase of real estate and personnel.**



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**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Marlene Harris, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.**

**Submitted by Amy J. Tarr**



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1. CALL TO ORDER: Joshua J. Kuhl, Mayor  
**Mayor Joshua Kuhl called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Marlene Harris  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Marlene Harris.**
3. ROLL CALL: Brenda Phillips, Deputy City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, RJ Lindemann, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks, Attorney William Heap and Deputy Clerk Brenda Phillips**  
**Absent: None**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:  
**Motion was made by Eric Blake, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of May 4, 2021:  
**Motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Marlene Harris, to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
**Alderman Harris reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$160,063.44 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and made a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$82,809.63. Eric Blake seconded the motion.**  
**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS:
  - a. **Amy Smithenry** - Amy presented to the City Council the vision she, Tonya Hall and June Bierman have on a dog park south of the skate park at Dufrain Park. She asked the Council to see their vision and consider all the benefits of having a dog park in our city.  
Amy highlighted a couple benefits of the dog park. Dogs who are exercised and allowed to run freely are less likely to be aggressive, thereby decreasing the risk of dog-related injuries in neighborhoods. She also commented dog parks are getting more and more common. Often a community builder.  
In the proposed plan, the group will seek out funds through fundraisers and private donations. The estimated cost to install a dog park will be between \$15,000 and \$20,000. She also highlighted on the proposed care of the park. Alderman Lindemann raised concern that there might be increased complaints of barking dogs in the area. Tonya Hall commented that well-trained dogs go to these parks. Barking is minimal.  
Mayor Josh Kuhl asked Amy to submit proposed dimensions of the closed area in the park.
  - **Ellen Hicks** - Ellen spoke in opposition of the dog park neighboring her property. After reviewing a copy of the survey's she retained from City Hall. The surveys were sent to those residence adjoined to Dufrain Park. Ellen commented more surveys were opposed than for the park. She also voiced concern of vandalism in the park. Ellen continued stating her concern of barking dogs, who are not well-trained, belonging to residence in the area.



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### 8. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on moving COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS before OLD BUSINESS on the CC Agenda.  
Meetings Sessions audio recording.  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Glumac, to table moving COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS before OLD BUSINESS on the CC Agenda until the June 1, 2021 meeting.**  
**Ayes: Lindeman, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**  
**Nays: None**
- b. Consider and act on hiring Clint Crossen as Building Code Official.  
**Motion was made by David Brown seconded by Marlene Harris, to approve hiring Clint Crossen as Building Code Official with start date of June 1, 2021.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**  
**Nays: Blake**
- c. Discuss consolidating committees.  
**Mayor discussed with council he is working on committee consolidation and appointments. He asked council to consider a few consolidations and any others they may suggest.**

### 9. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on Ordinance 21-04 to amend Chapter 21 Liquor Article II Licenses 21-2-7 (G) to include the renewal fee for and specify the number of EEV licenses issued per year.  
**Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Eric Blake, to pass Ordinance 21-04 amending Chapter 21 Liquor Article II Licenses 21-2-7 (G) to include the \$1000 renewal fee for and specify (3) EEV licenses issued per year.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake**  
**Nays: None**
- b. Consider and act on a TIF application with 3B General Contracting, 503 W Washington St.  
**Motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize TIF application for \$2,500.00 to 3B General Contracting, 503 W. Washington St.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: Harris**
- c. Consider and act on a firewall security upgrade, which includes a 1 year support license, to be purchased and installed by Kemper Technology Consulting for the Treasurer's and Clerk's offices in the amount of \$2385.33.  
**Motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Gayle Glumac, approving a firewall security upgrade, which includes a 1 year support license, to be purchased and installed by Kemper Technology Consulting for the Treasurer's and Clerk's offices in the amount of \$2385.33.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**



# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

May 18, 2021

- d. Consider and act on the Mayor's appointment of Department Heads, effective May 1, 2021.

**Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Department Heads, effective May 1, 2021.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

- e. Consider and act on a billing adjustment as a credit on Acct# 9-0242-00 Rex Vault Co. for an overcharge of electric from September 2016 – March 2021 in the amount of \$10,603.59.

**Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by RJ Lindemann, approving a billing adjustment as credit on Acct# 9-0242-00 Rex Vault Co. for an overcharge of electric from September 2016 – March 2021 in the amount of \$10,603.59.**

**Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

- f. Consider and act on a Special Event Application for "Strong Girls/B.O.Y.S. 5K Run" sponsored by Educational/Afterschool Program on May 17, 2021.

**Motion was made by Marlene Harris, seconded by RJ Lindemann, to approve a Special Event Application for "Strong Girls/B.O.Y.S. 5K Run" sponsored by Educational/Afterschool Program on May 17, 2021.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: Glumac**

- g. Consider and act on a Special Event Application for the "Queen of Hearts drawing" held at the VFW on May 15, 2021.

**Motion was made by David Brown, seconded by Marlene Harris, to approve a Special Event Application for the "Queen of Hearts drawing" held at the VFW on May 15, 2021.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake**

**Nays: None**

- h. Consider and act on Resolution 21-08 hiring Taylor Law Offices, Effingham, IL to represent the City of Newton on legal matters.

**Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by David Brown, to table (9h) Resolution 21-08 until after executive session.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris**

**Nays: None**

- i. Consider and act on payment to the Office of Water Resources for an application fee of \$2750.00 to ensure its compliance with the Rivers, Lakes and Streams Act (615 ILCS5 as a necessary permitting process required by IDOT as a part of the Eagle Trail – River walk.

**Motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Marlene Harris, approving payment to the Office of Water Resources for an application fee of \$2750.00 to ensure its compliance with the Rivers, Lakes and Streams Act (615 ILCS5) is a necessary permitting process required by IDOT as a part of the Eagle Trail – River walk.**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: Lindemann, Blake**



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### 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

- **Brown - Police Committee Meeting May 10, 2021 at 6:00 PM**
  - Meeting started with interviewing for Building Code Official.
  - Chief Swick gave an update on the new part-time officers.
  - The City's Animal Control Agreement with the County was discussed.
  - Chief brought us up to date on the water issue in City Hall. The air conditioner/heater wall unit was the culprit.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM
- **Brooks - Personnel Committee Meeting May 12, 2021 at 6:00 PM**
  - The committee met to discuss possible legal representation for the City of Newton. Taylor Law Offices were present to offer their services. A lot of information was presented. The next agenda will state that we will consider and act on legal representation for the city.
  - Matt Tarr, union steward for the employees, asked about a rumor regarding reduction of the city's work force. Mayor Kuhl assured him this is not true, only a rumor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM
- **Brown/Brooks - Public Safety Committee Meeting Notes May 17, 2021 6:00 PM (Jasper County Bldg.)**

EMA

  - Ed Francis reported that 8 Starcom radios have been received through the Mary Heath grant.
  - ERV and trailer storage was discussed at length. Ed states no storage options available to them in Newton.

ANIMAL CONTROL

  - Ron Heltsley reported that new cage received.
  - Austin Ferguson reported that it's been a slow month. Monthly report provided.
- **Harris - Finance Committee Meeting May 18, 2021 at 5:45 PM**
  - Marlene Harris presented a TIF application for 3B General Contracting LLC, 503 W Washington. They are requesting \$2,500 to repair leaks in the roof, repair the awning, install new fascia and soffit and install new windows. All required paperwork was present.

The committee's recommendation was to approve the application for \$2500.

Meeting adjourned at 5:51 PM.

### 11. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Harris:** Presented the Transaction Allocation Billing Adjustments and Payment Adjustments reports.

**Blake:** None

**Lindemann:** None

**Brooks:** None

**Brown:** None

**Glumac:** Thanked the Mayor and everyone else who showed support during the Strong Girls/B.O.Y.S. 5k run held May 17, 2021. Gayle encourages the council and public to attend this yearly event which is held by the Educational/Afterschool Program.

**City Attorney:** None

**City Treasurer:** Advised the City Council the auditors are doing their yearly audit beginning June 7 to June 18.

**City Clerk:** None



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### Mayor:

- Reiterated Gayle's excitement of the Strong Girls/B.O.Y.S. 5k run held May 17 and recommended to the council and public to attend future events if they haven't.
- Congratulated Alderman RJ Lindemann on his recent graduation from Newton Community High School
- Showed his appreciation to Brenda Phillips and Amy Tarr for the extra efforts and hard work in the Clerk's office over the last months.

### 12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: **June 1, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: None

### 13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate, and personnel

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

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 7:20 PM**

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

**Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 8:33 PM.**

Mayor Kuhl announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation, sale of real estate and personnel.

**(9h) Motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, authorizing Resolution 21-08 hiring Taylor Law Offices, Effingham, IL to represent the City of Newton on legal matters.**

**Hearing non. MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF A MOTION. NO ACTION TAKEN. Mayor Kuhl commented that lack of information provided to City Council over the last year led to the proposed consideration in legal representation for the city.**

### 14. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion was made by Eric Blake, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM.**

**Submitted by Brenda Phillips**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brenda Phillips". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLES May 19, 2021

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Hometown Register	\$62.83
Total Economic Dev.	\$62.83

## GOLF

Card Service Center	\$53.99
Total Golf	\$53.99

## STREET

Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$542.88
Card Service Center	\$884.84
Cintas	\$52.56
Larry Heuerman Trucking	\$509.37
Jasper Clothiers	\$334.50
Kirchner Building Centers	\$45.96
Martin's IGA	\$22.14
Midwest Tractor Sales	\$85.11
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$147.77
Office Essentials	\$381.96
Terminix International	\$26.66
Total Street	\$3,033.75

## POLICE

Backwoods Lawn Service	40.00
Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Card Service Center	\$346.31
CJ's Performance & Accessories	\$2,877.28
Cintas Corporation #0370	\$80.80
County of Jasper	\$9,510.12
Interstate Batteries of South Central Illinois	\$23.98
Jasper Clothiers	\$12.00
Judy McClure's Signs & Graphics Inc.	\$35.00
Nelson Systems, Inc.	\$132.50
Ray O'Herron Co., Inc.	\$2,171.02
Mike Swick	\$60.00
SDS Inc.	\$2,955.62
Tarr's Squeaky Clean Car Wash, Inc.	\$180.00
Technical Management Rev. Fund	\$221.35
Terminix International	\$26.67
Verizon Wireless	\$108.16
Hometown Register	\$44.95
Total Police	\$19,044.98

## CEMETERY

Backwoods Lawn Service	\$2,790.00
Total Cemetery	\$2,790.00

## PARK

A-J Welding & Steel Inc.	\$300.00
Backwoods Lawn Service	\$1,330.00
Park Cont.	
Card Service Center	\$76.80
Kirchner Building Centers	\$189.77
Lorenz Supply Company	\$43.98
Progressive Chemical & Lighting, Inc.	\$138.74
Total Park	\$2,079.29

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Card Service Center	\$1,340.87
Eastern Illinois University	\$70.00
Huddleston Supply Inc.	\$148.75
Kemper Technology Consulting	\$80.00
Lorenz Supply Company	\$95.20
Miller Office Equipment	\$69.00
Office Essentials	\$220.20
Terminix International	\$26.67

Total General Administration	\$2,269.91
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**POOL**

Dollar General	\$18.00
Hawkins, Inc.	\$2,133.58
Kirchner Building Centers	\$37.64
Sandschafer Electric Inc.	\$127.90
Total Pool	\$2,317.12

TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS \$31,651.87

**EMA**

County of Jasper	\$428.02
Total EMA	\$428.02

**MFT**

Larry Heuermann Trucking	\$528.13
Total MFT	\$528.13

**CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT**

Amber A Go Go	\$1,000.00
Backwoods Lawn Service	\$120.00
Card Service Center	\$29.25
CCI Redi Mix Inc.	\$22.88
Dibbie Dabbles	\$600.00
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC	\$837.86
Jasper Co. Chamber of Commerce	\$8,000.00

Total Capital Development \$10,609.99

**TIF**

Card Service Center	\$87.43
PGAV, Inc.	\$8,425.00

Total TIF \$8,512.43

**EAGLE TRAIL**

Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$3,351.45
Total Eagle Trail	\$3,351.45

TOTAL SPECIALS \$23,430.02

**ELECTRIC**

Anixter, Inc.	\$12,018.16
Card Service Center	\$647.37
Cintas	\$99.09
Dollar General	\$15.80
GH Customs and Repairs	\$2,578.84
Huddleston Supply Inc.	\$16.51
Invizions, Inc.	\$4,025.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$103.60
Newton Part Supply Inc.	\$162.84
Office Essentials	\$71.15
Online Information Services	\$89.40
Pennington Chevrolet - Buick	\$149.29
Springfield Electric Supply	\$997.30
Terminix International	\$27.50
Wilson Trucking LLC	\$409.28
Total Electric	\$21,411.13

**WATER**

Card Service Center	147.04
CCI Redi Mix Inc.	\$1,323.00
Dollar General	\$31.00
EJ Water Cooperative, Inc.	\$36.00
Hometown Register	\$185.66
IMCO Utility Supply	\$544.00
Jasper Clothiers	\$132.70
Kirchner Building Centers	\$5.00
Midwest Meter Inc.	\$428.00
Midwest Tractor Sales	\$210.59
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$63.97
South Central FS	\$12.12

Total ome and Farm Video Solutions, Inc.	\$176.25
Total Water	\$3,295.33

<u>WWT</u>	
Bradford Supply Compnay	\$939.16
Card Service Center	\$88.40
Certified Balance & Scale Corp.	\$283.00
Larry Heuerman Trucking	\$553.12
J.R. Madison Maintenance Supplies	\$127.00
Jasper Clothiers	\$227.65
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$7.59
Kirchner Building Centers	\$63.57
Midwest Tractor Sales	\$210.60
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$342.97
City of Robinson WWTF	\$128.00
South Central FS	\$22.72
Terminix International	\$27.50
Total WWT	\$3,021.28

**TOTAL PAYABLES=** \$82,809.63

<b><u>General Fund</u></b>	
William Heap	\$150.00
Adam Deckard	\$40.44
Sean Rice	\$1,500.00
Petty Cash - Treasurer	\$64.05
Hint's Laser Engraving	\$70.00
Petty Cash - Collector	\$11.00
Petty Cash - Police Department	\$38.10
LIUNA National Industrial Pension Fund	\$2,396.05
Ameren Illinois	\$485.78
Sparklight	\$745.72
Director, Illinois State Police	\$2,553.00
McClane Motor Sales	\$11,158.00
City of Newton	\$870.27
Wex Bank - Circle K	\$667.67
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	\$281.13
Wex Bank - Marathon	\$753.54
Newton Library	\$2,229.61
Trevor Honomichl	\$256.68
Mike Swick	\$213.78
Deere Credit, Inc.	\$3,464.05
Sarah Carter	\$32.20
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	\$27,981.07

<b><u>Payroll</u></b>	
National Gurardian Life Insurance	\$26.68
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	\$112.00
Local 1197 Secretary Treasurer	\$882.00
State Disbursement Unit	\$870.00
Standard Insurance Company	\$326.90
American Heritage Life Insurance Co.	\$46.78
AFLAC	\$1,095.80
Standard Insurance Company-vision	\$311.20
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	\$3,671.36

<b><u>Insurance</u></b>	
The Standard Insurnce Company	\$208.57
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	\$208.57

<b><u>Electric</u></b>	
Verizon Wireless	\$49.74
Petty Cash - Treasurer	\$2.70
Sparklight	\$105.59
Ameren Illinois	\$143.17
Newton Post Office	\$140.54
City of Newton	\$244.30
Norris Electric Cooperative	\$128.25
WexBank	\$377.63
Illinois Power Marketing	\$80,573.64
Deere Credit, Inc.	\$3,464.05
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	\$85,229.61

<b><u>WATER</u></b>	
Verizon Wireless	\$21.83
Petty Cash - Treasurer	\$2.72
Ameren Illinois	\$160.18
Sparklight	\$90.27
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency	\$10.00
Newton Post Office	\$140.54
Wex Bank	\$235.21
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	\$19.47
Wex Bank	\$35.99
UPS	\$87.23
City of Newton	\$2,562.06
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	\$3,365.50

<b><u>WWT</u></b>	
Verizon Wireless	\$49.74
Petty Cash - Treasurer	\$2.68
Ameren Illinois	\$108.24
Sparklight	\$90.27
Newton Post Office	\$140.55
City of Newton	\$3,499.33
Wex Bank	\$341.11
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	\$4,231.92

<b><u>SPECIALS</u></b>	
Trustmark Health Benefits, Inc.	\$1,107.10
Symetra Life Insurance	\$31,524.00
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	\$32,631.10

<b><u>TIF</u></b>	
Petty Cash - Treasurer	\$3.00
Larry Hahn	\$241.31
Rauch's Jewelry	\$2,500.00
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	\$2,744.31



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Please provide your own mask.

1. CALL TO ORDER: Josh Kuhl, Mayor  
**Mayor Josh Kuhl called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.**
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta York, City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, RJ Lindemann and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Eric Blake**  
**Also present: Attorney William Heap, Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Clerk Rosetta York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to adopt the proposed agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of May 18, 2021  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brown, to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: **None**
7. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Consider and act on 2021 bids for annual MFT Street Maintenance Program. (Bid letting was May 25, 2021 at 10:00 AM in City Hall).

Company Awarded Bid	Material Bid on	Total Amount of Bid
Lee Kintner & Sons, INC.	Bit. Material Seal Coat AC-5	\$66,313.80
Heuerman Bros.	CA-16	\$14,709.80
Heuerman Bros.	CA-6	\$4,440.00
Compass Minerals	Salt	\$7,345.50

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to authorize the above 2021 bids for annual MFT Street Maintenance Program awarded by IDOT on May 25, 2021.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

- B. Consider and act on 2020 IDOT Compliance Review. (This is an annual review for MFT funds or Motor Fuel Tax funds.)  
**Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Brooks, to authorize 2020 IDOT MFT Funds Compliance Review.**  
**Ayes: Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**  
**Nays: None**
- C. Consider and act on Ordinance 21-05 To Amend the Rules of Order of Deliberations and Meetings of City Council.  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to pass Ordinance 21-05 To Amend the Rules of Order of Deliberations and Meetings of City Council.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**  
**Nays: None**
- D. Discuss the consolidation and/or the need of the present City of Newton Council Committees.  
**Mayor and council discussed eliminating and combining the present Council Committees and possible results of their actions. The main goals are to combine similar areas, eliminate committees that are not needed at this time and to not have as many committee meetings. Mayor asked the Council to continue their research and to let him know what they have found.**
- E. Discuss and update the public on Phase IV Eagle Trail Riverwalk.  
The Mayor discussed the walk-through with Milano & Grunloh Engineering on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Below is the email of the topics discussed, which were compiled by Michael A. Tappendorf, P.E. from Milano & Grunloh:

All:

I would like to recap our discussion this morning, and ensure I am moving forward in the direction the City wants. Please see the below comments:

1. Site Visit Location 1 – City stockpiling area, and location of old mill.
  - a. We are to Stay as far North as possible along the river bank



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- b. We will have to relocate and install new fence along the path. The fence will be relocated to 2' off the edge of the path all the way to the parking lot fence.
- c. We will need to install an inlet and storm sewer along the path in the City's stockpile area for a washout area.
- d. There were two manholes on the East end, which will have to be contended with. These will likely be adjusted down if encountered as a conflict.
2. Site Visit Location 2 – Existing Boat Ramp on North 3<sup>rd</sup> street.
  - a. Plans show the path going through the middle of the rock lot.
  - b. We will show the path as far North as possible.
  - c. We will likely try to avoid all trees as much as possible.
  - d. The existing boat ramp will not be adversely affected. The path is intended to match existing grades at the ramp, and cut in to slopes to the East.
  - e. We will change the edges to be concreted
  - f. Improvements to the boat ramp and any existing riprap/rail boulders in the river can be coordinated with the contractor during construction.
  - g. The existing catch basin shall be avoided, and any pipes encountered shall be tied back in if encountered
3. Site Visit Location 3 – Existing fill area North of cemetery
  - a. This site will be avoided. We will be remaining North along the bank of the river
4. Site Visit Location 4 – Boat ramp area North of Petersen Park
  - a. I have asked Greg palmer preliminarily about changing the scope of the project to termini as discussed. He stated there will need to be coordination with others at IDOT for this.
  - b. All areas shown on the plans will be how we will progress at this time.

Let me know if there are any questions on the above, or if anything is incorrect, or I am missing anything. If this would be forwarded on to other council members as you see fit.

Thank you,

Michael A. Tappendorf, P.E.

**While Greg Palmer was at City Hall, the Mayor asked if there was a penalty if the City were to not go forward with the Riverwalk. There is no penalty, but the City would have to pay for all of the expenses accrued so far. The State of Illinois has not done their final approval, yet. The Mayor asked the Council to continue researching information and speaking with their constituents whether to continue or discontinue with the Riverwalk.**

### 8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Consider and act on 10-year IDOT Traffic Signal Master Agreement. (This is a maintenance agreement between IDOT and Newton for IL 33 Jourdan & Jackson, IL 33 Jourdan & Van Buren and IL 33/IL 130 & Morgan traffic lights.)

**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Lindemann, to authorize 10-year IDOT Traffic Signal Master Agreement. (This is a maintenance agreement between IDOT and Newton for IL 33 Jourdan & Jackson, IL 33 Jourdan & Van Buren and IL 33/IL 130 & Morgan traffic lights.)**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris**

**Nays: None**
- B. Consider and act on Ordinance 21-06 To Amend Chapter 21-2-8 Liquor Article II – Licenses of Newton City Code. (Code to serve liquor outside.)

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to pass Ordinance 21-06 To Amend Chapter 21-2-8 Liquor Article II – Licenses of Newton City Code. (Code to serve liquor outside.)**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**
- C. Consider and act on Ordinance 21-07 Authorizing Lease of Ground for Farming Purposes.

**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Brooks, to pass Ordinance 21-07 Authorizing Lease of Ground for Farming Purposes.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**
- D. Consider and act on Cash Rental Farm Lease with Michael Finley for \$150.00 per the agreed tillable 50 acres. (This is the Griffith ground purchased this year.)

**Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Glumac, to authorize Cash Rental Farm Lease with Michael Finley for \$150.00 per the agreed tillable 50 acres.**

**Ayes: Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**
- E. Consider and act on Special Event Permit Application from Dustin Granby for use of the Old Mill Bridge.

**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to authorize Special Event Permit Application from Dustin Granby for use of the Old Mill Bridge.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**



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**Nays: None**

- F. Consider and act on advertising for sealed bids on the City of Newton property described as "The West Forty-nine (49) feet of even width of Lot Five (5) in Block Fifteen (15) in the Original City of Newton.

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to authorize advertising for sealed bids on the City of Newton property described as "The West Forty-nine (49) feet of even width of Lot Five (5) in Block Fifteen (15) in the Original City of Newton.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris**

**Nays: None**

- G. Consider and act on an Independent Contractor Agreement with Clint Crossen d/b/a Crossen Inspection Services.

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Lindemann, to authorize an Independent Contractor Agreement with Clint Crossen d/b/a Crossen Inspection Services.**

**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: **None**

10. STATEMENTS:

**Council Members:**

Glumac: No Comments

Brown: No Comments

Brooks: No Comments

Lindemann: Welcomed back the City Clerk.

Harris: She has received complaints from residents in Imperial Acres. There have been items stolen from their premises and there has been high noise level from event center.

City Attorney: No Comments

City Treasurer: No Comments

City Clerk: Thanks for the welcome back.

**Mayor:**

1. Welcome to City Clerk.
2. Thanked the Veterans and the Militaries for their service. The town looked good for Memorial Day.
3. Chris Parr sent the City a thank you letter:



JASPER COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

609 S. LAFAYETTE STREET, NEWTON, IL 62448

ANDREW D. JOHNSON, SUPERINTENDENT

PHONE 618-783-8459

To: All City of Newton Department Heads, Mayor Joshua Kuhl, and Newton City Council Members

From: Chris Parr

Subject: Thank you!!!

I wanted to say Thank You for all that the City of Newton Employees, and City Officials have done for JCCU#1 Schools and the kids of our community.

Another year has come to an end. As I look back over the year/years I cannot help but see how important of a role the City of Newton and all of its Employees have played out every single day in the safety and well being of the Students of Jasper County Schools. The list of things I could mention is a mile long. Streets, Parks, Electric, Water, Septic, Office and many, many ways you all have stepped up and helped us out. I want you all to know that what is done on a daily basis in our little community does not go unnoticed. Thank you very much!!! Please pass along our appreciation to all your staff and board members!!

This is a bitter sweet letter for me to send you as I have thoroughly enjoyed working with all of you in one way or another, but this will also be my last letter to you as a Jasper County school employee. Daniel Stark will be taking my place. I leave here knowing there will still be a great working relationship between the Schools and the City with the same interest at heart, our kids.

One last time Thank You!!!!!!

Chris Parr,  
Director of Transportation/Operations and Maintenance Director  
Jasper County Community Unit # 1 Schools  
206 S Hutton St.  
Newton, IL 62448  
618/783-3023 618/783-3065



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11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: None

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation and sale of real estate

**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss litigation, potential litigation and sale of real estate pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 7:04 PM.**

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

**Ayes: Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 7:38 PM.**

Josh Kuhl announced that during closed session the council discussed litigation, potential litigation and sale of real estate

13. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Harris, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.**

**Submitted by Rosetta M. York**

OFFICIAL

CITY COUNCIL



# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

June 15, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER: Joshua J. Kuhl, Mayor  
**Mayor Joshua Kuhl called the meeting to order.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman David Brown.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman David Brown.**
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta M. York, City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, RJ Lindemann, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Also present: Treasurer Melissa Brooks, Attorney William Heap and Clerk Rosetta M. York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: #13 add potential litigation  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to adopt the amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of June 1, 2021:  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Lindemann, to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2021 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: Blake**
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
**Alderman Harris reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$143,351.15 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and made a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$138,474.98. Lindemann seconded the motion.**  
**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: None
8. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. Consider and act on Committees and Committee Chairpersons appointments by the Mayor.  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to approve Committees and Committee Chairpersons appointments by the Mayor.**  
**Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**  
**Nays: None**  
  
Shannon Woodard from Connor & Connor explained 8b and 8c before the vote.
    - b. Consider and act on Partial Pay Estimate #1 due B&T Drainage in the amount of \$202,471.00, for Liberty Street Water project.  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to authorize a Partial Pay Estimate #1 due B&T Drainage in the amount of \$202,471.00, for Liberty Street Water project.**  
**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**  
**Nays: None**
    - c. Consider and act on Design & Inspection Invoice due Connor & Connor in the amount of \$34,216.85, for Liberty Street Water project.  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Lindemann, to authorize paying Design & Inspection Invoice due Connor & Connor in the amount of \$34,216.85, for Liberty Street Water project.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake**  
**Nays: None**  
  
Shannon Woodard from Connor & Connor and Tyler Weber explained 8d before the vote.
      - d. Consider and act on Liberty Street project addition to include Curtis Street (Liberty to Stevens St) valued at \$20,000.  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to authorize Liberty Street project addition to include Curtis Street (Liberty to Stevens St) valued at \$20,000.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
      - e. Consider and act on re-bidding for the Well #10 project. (No bids were received with the first letting.)  
**Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Glumac, to authorize advertising a re-bidding for the Well #10 project.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**



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- f. Discuss City Councils findings on Eagle Trail Project and Bucket donations for Eagle Trail.

The Mayor spoke of 2 emails of support from Newton Residents:

a. **Name:**

Travis Wyatt

**Subject:**

Please do not cancel Newton River Walk project!!!

**Message:**

Please do not cancel the Newton River Walk project. My family & I truly enjoy biking, jogging & walking the trails. It is a tremendous and so important for our healthy life style. I am very proud of how this grant money has benefited our community & it is noticeable by visitors to our great community! Thank you - Newton & JC Proud!!!

b. **Name:**

Ryan Millsap

**Subject:**

Riverwalk

**Message:**

I want to show my support and speak for many others in continuing the River Walk. We have been looking forward to this project and want to see it completed. If we don't use this grant it goes to waste. Please continue to see that this project is completed to beautify our city and give us a wonderful river walk to show off for those inside and outside our community.

Mayor said he talked with some members of ERTC. They were miss represented in the last council meeting of their support of the Riverwalk, but they did purchase some benches for the trail.

Alderman Lindemann reported he had distributed a survey letter in his ward. He had 83% negative responses to the Riverwalk and 43% were negative to the first Eagle Trail. When asked the total number of respondents, he said 24. (Note: The City Clerk's office has no records of the surveys or the results. The only record the clerk's office has is this copy of the letter Alderman Lindemann hand delivered.)

Alderwoman Glumac reported she went door to door and talked with several people. Most of the people were happy with the Eagle Trail as it is. Many people are surprised by how many people use the trail. She also explained that there will probably be an increase in the cost to build the Riverwalk because building material have increased. Additionally, the maintenance of the trail would be at the City's expense. All of the people she talked with were against the project and thought the City could use the money differently.

Hello! My name is RJ Lindemann, one of your two Aldermen in Ward 3.

There has been discussion on the council, sparked by Mayor Kuhl and I, about bringing an end to the Eagle Trail River Walk Project.

I personally don't believe that it is a fiscally responsible thing to be spending taxpayer money on, and I don't intend to spend taxpayer money any differently than I would spend my own.

However, I don't want to use my position on the council to push forward an idea that the majority of my ward disagrees with.

As a result of this, I have decided to call an unofficial referendum for the voters of Ward 3. I have made a google form which can be found here: <https://forms.gle/8ofeMq7HsnukQRqV6>

The city's total expense for the next phase of the walk has been estimated to be between \$300,000 on the low end to \$450,000 on the high end.

If you would like an opportunity to express your opinion about how your property taxes and sales taxes are spent, I encourage you to fill out this survey.

Once again, the survey link can be found here: <https://forms.gle/8ofeMq7HsnukQRqV6>

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RJ Lindemann".

Alderman Brooks asked, "Are we sure how much this is going to run over?" Maybe we should wait and see the final plan from the engineers with an exact cost in for the project.

Mayor responded that nothing is set in stone and that the bid letting will probably be late this Fall or next year. There is no guarantee on the building material expenses. I am not having this discussion to throw out this project. We are elected to represent the citizens. We are to see if this is a viable project for taxpayers of this community. We will be 100% liable for the expenses that have already been paid. He then asked if there were any other concerns. The council mentioned other citizen comments, such as being by the river late at night and the money should be spent on a park district or sidewalks.

There has been \$75,000 to \$80,000 in pledges and donations. The donation buckets at locations in town will be impossible to return. The pledges will not be collected and the donations will be returned if the projected is not done. We are interested in two things: tourism and the quality of life. Will the Riverwalk add to what the city has and at what cost? When redoing the boat ramp was mentioned at the walk through with Milano and Grunloh, several people were very interested in a better ramp.



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## 9. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on two Newton Police employees to attend Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program with fees of \$2,000/attendee for MTU 15 training, \$50/attendee for P.O.W.E.R. test training and other allowable expenses.

**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to authorize two Newton Police employees to attend Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program with fees of \$2,000/attendee for MTU 15 training, \$50/attendee for P.O.W.E.R. test training and other allowable expenses.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**

**Nays: None**

## 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: None

### STATEMENTS BY:

Glumac: No comments

Brown: No comments

Brooks: No comments

Lindemann: Thank you to the survey respondents.

Blake: No comments

Harris: Presented Billing Adjustments and Payment Adjustments reports.

City Attorney: No comments

City Treasurer: No comments

City Clerk: No comments

Mayor:

- The Liberty St. project is getting done quickly.
- Thank you to Park Department employees for getting the Miniature Golf power washed so quick in response to a citizen request.
- The old jail is demolished. The utilities will soon be installed. It will go quickly.
- Kemper Audit was at City Hall for a week. They will be back next week for the TIF Audit.
- The Public Hearing for the TIF Amendment was on June 8. That went well. The citizens went away with better understanding of the amendment.

## 11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: June 1, 2021 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: None

## 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation, potential litigation and personnel

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

**Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 6:58 PM**

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

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 7:31 PM.**

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

Blake asked if anything had been done about the cats on Goble St.  
No one knew.

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

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

**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.**

**Submitted by Rosetta M. York**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosetta M. York", written over a horizontal line.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLES June 16, 2021

BAT

Master Pitching Machine, Inc.	\$79.38
Card Service Center	\$76.00
Total Bat	\$155.38

GOLF

Card Service Center	\$23.95
Total Golf	\$23.95

STREET

Alliance Tractor LLC.	\$20.76
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$438.69
Card Service Center	\$268.11
Hometown Register	\$66.65
Kirchner Building Centers	\$53.94
Lorenz Supply Company	\$68.24
Martin's IGA	\$22.14
McClane Motor Sales, Inc.	\$400.00
Midwest Tractor Sales	\$133.62
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$639.54
Terminix International	\$26.66
Michael Todd & Company, Inc.	\$1,875.95
Van Dyke Metal Culverts, Inc.	\$840.96
Total Street	\$4,855.26

POLICE

Accuracy Firearms LLC.	\$55.98
Ad Hatters	\$54.00
Al's Tire Mart, Inc.	\$90.00
Backwoods Lawn Service	\$80.00
Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Ben Tire Toledo Warehouse	\$513.28
Birch Auto Service & Towing	\$116.00
Blue 360 Media	\$228.74
Card Service Center	\$299.98
Cintas	\$87.79
Cintas Corp.	\$80.80
County of Jasper	\$6,599.72
Clint Crossen - Crossen Inspection Services	\$650.00
Dash Medical Gloves	\$225.90
Mike Fischer	\$389.72
Steve Jones Plumbing	\$180.23
McClane Motor Sales, Inc.	\$820.78
Nartec, Inc.	\$530.00
NexGen Wireless	\$15.00
Office Essentials	\$92.86
Ray O'Herron Co, Inc.	\$218.78
P.F. Pettibone & Co.	\$26.00
SDS - System Development Services, Inc.	\$746.02
Technology Management Rev Fund	\$221.35
Terminix International	\$26.67
Verizon Wireless	\$108.16
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene P.C.	\$673.75
Total Police	\$13,350.73

CEMETERY

Backwoods Lawn Service	\$4,620.00
Total Cemetery	\$4,620.00

PARK

Backwoods Lawn Service	\$2,685.00
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$559.43
Card Service Center	\$17.90
Kirchner Building Centers	\$29.57
Lorenz Supply Company	\$173.80
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	\$10.69
Total Park	\$3,476.39

<u>POUND</u>	
County of Jasper	\$823.32
Total Pound	\$823.32

<u>GENERAL ADMINISTRATION</u>	
Gwen Baker	\$219.22
Card Service Center	\$13.50
Kirby Risk Corp.	\$139.80
Lorenz Supply Company	\$69.52
Miller Office Equipment	\$556.33
Office Essentials	\$223.38
Terminix International	\$26.67
Total Printing Systems	\$117.00
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene P.C.	\$271.25
Total General Administration	\$1,636.67

<u>POOL</u>	
Borgic Designs	\$260.50
Card Service Center	\$731.32
Central Cigar - Candy Co.	\$565.59
Heartland Coca-Cola Bottling Co.	\$527.07
Hawkins, Inc.	\$1,024.56
Lauren Higgs, Lifeguard Instructor	\$806.60
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	\$2.08
Kim's Ice Cream, LLC.	\$384.00
Kirchner Building Centers	\$193.13
Lorenz Supply Company	\$176.84
Martin's IGA	\$23.96
Office Essentials	\$9.84
Recreation Supply Co.	\$111.93
Terminix International	\$45.00
Wabash Foodservice	\$1,030.62
Total Pool	\$5,893.04

<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$34,834.74</b>
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<u>EMA</u>	
County of Jasper	\$823.24
Total EMA	\$823.24

<u>MFT</u>	
Larry Heuermann Trucking	\$546.88
Total MFT	\$546.88

<u>CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT</u>	
Amber A Go Go	\$1,000.00
Backwoods Lawn Service	\$150.00
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$444.55
Total Capital Development	\$1,594.55

<u>TIF</u>	
Andy's Landscape & Lawn	\$1,155.00
Connor & Connor	\$17,993.00
Hometown Register	\$399.90
PGAV Planners LLC.	\$10,267.62
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene P.C.	\$297.50
Total TIF	\$30,113.02

<u>EAGLE TRAIL</u>	
Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC.	\$1,778.19
Total Eagle Trail	\$1,778.19

<b>TOTAL SPECIALS</b>	<b>\$34,855.88</b>
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<u>ELECTRIC</u>	
Alliance Tractor LLC.	\$111.68
Anixter, Inc.	\$959.70
Beverlin Oil Company, Inc.	\$125.17
BHMG Engineers	\$160.20