



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL
108 N. Van Buren St
Newton, IL 62448
April 19, 2022

Finance/Audit Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 5:30 PM

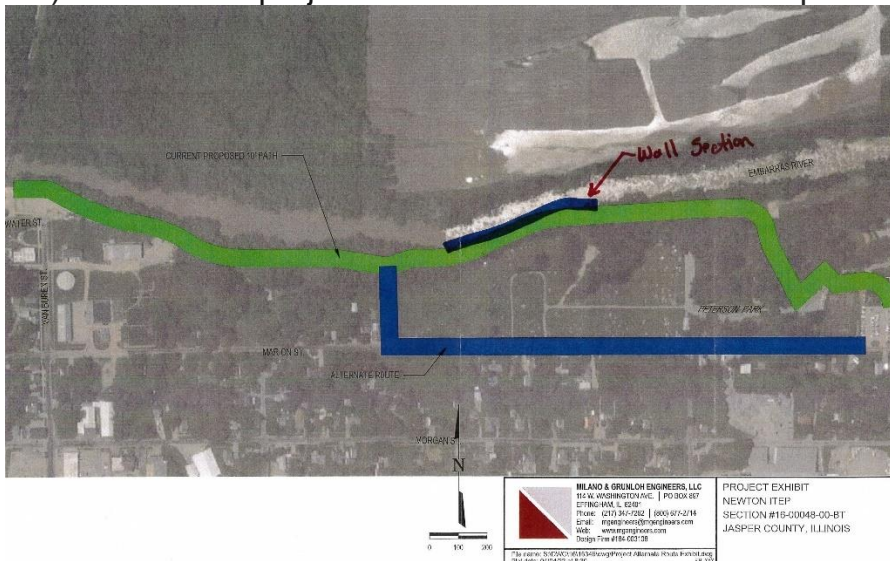
1. CALL TO ORDER: Joshua J. Kuhl, Mayor
Mayor Kuhl called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.
Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Gayle Glumac.
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta M. York, City Clerk
Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Larry Brooks, RJ Lindemann, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris
Also present: Attorney William Heap, Treasurer Melissa Brooks, and Clerk Rosetta M. York
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:
Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Lindemann, to adopt the proposed agenda.
Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris
Nays: None
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of April 5, 2022:
Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Lindemann, to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2022 meeting of the Newton City Council.
Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac
Nays: None
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Alderman Lindemann reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$433,302.23 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 \$83,463.12. Harris seconded the motion.
Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown
Nays: None
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: Lee Beckman: Riverwalk updates

Lee Beckman presented 3 options for the area on Riverwalk with the proposed wall on the riverbank.

Option 1): Move forward with a Gabion design which we expect to be in budget.

Option 2): Move forward with a Soldier pile design which we expect to be over budget.

Option 3): Reroute the project as shown on the attached map.



Mayor recommended calling a committee meeting to discuss options.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:
Glumac—Electric Committee Monday, April 11, 2022 at 6:00 PM



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Present: Gayle Glumac, Brenda Phillips, Larry Brooks, Melissa Brooks, Eric Blake, Marlene Harris, Verbal Blakey, Matt Tarr, Rosetta M. York, Amy Tarr and Maggie McDonald

Discussed standard use of solar, IMUA model and Net Metering Policy. Discussed TPS solar panels.

Discussed the Electric Department budget.

Discussed a 2% electric rate increase.

Discussed light program.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Gayle Glumac – Chairman

Blake—Personnel Committee Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at about 6:30 PM

Present: Eric Blake, Larry Brooks, Melissa Brooks, RJ Lindemann, Gayle Glumac, Marlene Harris, David Brown, Josh Kuhl, Derek Gorrell, Clark Bigard, A. J. Schafer, Donna Watkin, Amy Tarr, Scott Rubsam and Daniel Wiggins

At 6:35 the committee went in to Executive Session to discuss union proposal.

Committee met with the Union at 6:35 PM.

No agreement at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Eric Blake Chairman

Lindeman--Finance/Audit Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 5:30 PM

Present: RJ Lindemann, Marlene Harris, David Brown, Gayle Glumac, Mark Bolander, Larry Brooks, Joshua Kuhl (arrived at 5:45 PM), Melissa Brooks, Tyler Weber, Matt Tarr, Brenda Phillips, Rosie York

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM

- TIF for a property on Marshal Drive was discussed, and it was decided to award the applicant \$10,000 of TIF funds.
- TIF for a property on Jackson Street was discussed, and it was decided to award the applicant \$3100 of TIF funds.
- The 2022-2023 budgets were opened for discussion. No major concerns or revisions were discussed.
- A proposed re-assignment of previously awarded TIF funds was discussed, due to the ownership of the business in question changing hands.
- The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM

9. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on electric, water and wastewater utility rate increase of 2% in each utility. (This over rides the Codebook’s annual 5% rate increases.)

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Brown, authorize electric, water and wastewater utility rate increase of 2% in each utility.

Ayes: Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks

Nays: Blake

- b. Consider and act on 22-05 Ordinance authorizing City purchase of new real estate - Indiana Railroad right of way.

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to pass 22-05 Ordinance authorizing City purchase of new real estate - Indiana Railroad right of way for \$30,000.00 plus expenses to process the purchase.

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Mayor Kuhl

Nays: Blake, Brooks, Lindemann

- c. Consider and act on Newton Police Chief five-year contract.

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Brown, to authorize Newton Police Chief five-year contract.

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

Nays: None

- d. Consider and act on increasing the part-time police hourly wage.



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Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Lindemann, to authorize increasing the part-time police hourly wage to \$22.00 per hour.

Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Brooks, Lindemann, Harris

Nays: Blake

- e. Consider and act on hiring a pool manager.

Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Brown, to authorize hiring Suzie McCann as pool manager, effective May 1, 2022.

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

Nays: None

- f. Consider and act on 2022-23 City of Newton balanced budget.

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Brooks, to authorize 2022-23 City of Newton balanced budget.

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

Nays: None

- g. Consider and act on Metro Fiber Internet agreement for Police and City Hall.

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to authorize Metro Fiber Internet agreement for Police and City Hall.

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

Nays: None

- h. Consider and act on entering into Engineering Agreement with Connor and Connor for Ochs Ave Soil Cement Project (Section 22-00050-00-FP).

(Note: This is a grant called "Rebuild Illinois Bond Funds to Local Public Agencies." The fund is under the general supervision of IDOT.)

Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brown, to authorizing Engineering Agreement with Connor and Connor for Ochs Ave Soil Cement Project (Section 22-00050-00-FP).

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

Nays: None

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on the annual 22-04 Resolution for MFT Street Maintenance Program.

Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to pass the annual 22-04 Resolution for MFT Street Maintenance Program.

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

Nays: None

- b. Consider and act on TIF application for 106 Marshall Dr.

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Harris, to authorize GSI-Kevin Kocher TIF application at 106 Marshall Dr. with reimbursement of \$10,000.00.

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

Nays: None

- c. Consider and act on TIF application for 102 N. Jackson St.

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Harris, to authorize Sarah Weiler's TIF application at 102 N. Jackson St. with reimbursement of \$3,100.00.

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

Nays: None

- d. Consider and act on Special Event Application Newton Elite Fitness, Patriot Games on June 25, 2022.

Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to authorize Special Event Application Newton Elite Fitness, Patriot Games on June 25, 2022.

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

Nays: None

11. STATEMENTS BY:

Glumac: No Comments

Brown: No Comments

Brooks: No Comments



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Lindemann: Explained to the council that he has reviewed and approved the billing adjustment report.

Blake: Thanked the City Treasurer office for their work on the budget.

Harris: Thanked the City Treasurer office for their work on the budget. Also, the parking along the ball park needs addressed.

City Attorney: No Comments

City Treasurer: Presented 2 Appropriation Changes:

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Brooks, to make the following appropriation changes in General Fund Police Department move \$500 from Contingency Fund (9000-23) to Radio Repair (5620-23) and move \$39,000.00 from General Fund General Administration Contingency Fund (9000-27) to Building Improvements/Purchases (5560-27).

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

Nays: None

City Clerk: 2 Electric Department PO # 0001-30 to Anixter and 0003-30 Midwest Electric Transformer Services

Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to authorize PO # 0001-30 to Anixter for \$15,696.00.

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

Nays: None

Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Brown, to authorize PO # 0003-30 to Midwest Electric Transformer Services for \$64,165.00.

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

Nays: None

Statement of Economic interest needs to be filed by May 1, 2022.

Mayor: Thanked the City Treasurer office for their work on the budget.

There will be the "City Wide Clean up May 20-21."

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: **May 3, 2022 at 6:00 PM**

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: **None**

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: **None**

14. ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Submitted by Rosetta M. York