



## UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

February 4, 2020

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 Riesner, Eric Blake (arrived at 6:04 PM) and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Larry Brooks**  
**Also present: Attorney William Heap, Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Clerk Rosetta York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to adopt the proposed/amended agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Harris**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of January 21, 2020.  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Glumac, to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2020 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Harris, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: **None**
7. OLD BUSINESS:
  - A. Consider and act on purchasing Spark Ignited Genset: 60Hz-60kW generator from Cummins Sales and Service for \$25,100.00 for replacement of City Hall's generator.  
**Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Reisner, to authorize purchasing Spark Ignited Genset: 60Hz-60kW generator from Cummins Sales and Service for \$25,100.00 for replacement of City Hall's generator.**  
**Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown**  
**Nays: None**
  - B. Consider and act on purchasing a Newton Police squad car. (Police Committee on Feb 3 will compare quotes.)  
**Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to authorize the purchase of a Newton Police vehicle from McClane Motors for \$ 46,836.33 in the next fiscal year 2020-2021.**  
**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner**  
**Nays: None**
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - A. Consider and act on dumpster reimbursement for 204 W. Decatur St. for \$664.20.  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Reisner, to authorize dumpster reimbursement for 204 W. Decatur St. for \$664.20 to Jed Earnest.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake**  
**Nays: None**
9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:  
**Brown--- Police 2-3-20:**  
Discussed the Following:
  - Chief Swick presented 2 quotes for a new patrol vehicle. McClane Motor was the lowest quote.
  - City "Wide Clean Up" is scheduled for May 16.
  - Wages for full and part-time Newton police officers was discussed. Current Police Union contract expires April 30, 2020.
  - The purchase of refurbished Starcom portable and mobile units was discussed.
  - City Hall renovation was discussed. The architects were in town to look over City Hall again.
  - The elimination of state funds for training new part-time and new full time officers was discussed. There was a surcharge for training and that money has been diverted.
  - Another large piece of equipment will be coming through downtown next week. Restricted parking will probably be implemented on the east side of the Square on that day.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM
10. STATEMENTS:  
Council Members:  
**Harris:** No comment  
**Blake:** No comment  
**Reisner:** There are 2 committee meeting next Monday.  
**Brown:** No comment



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**Glumac:** Thanked the City Employees for taking care of the water in her neighborhood.

**City Attorney:** No comment

**City Treasurer:** No comment

**City Clerk:** No comment

**Mayor:**

1. **Annual JEDI Celebration on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 11:30 AM at the Sunrise Youth Center.**
2. **Jasper together Pathways to Progress tomorrow night at 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the KC Hall.**
3. **There is a new mandate from the State of Illinois for sexual harassment prevention training for municipalities and businesses required by December 31, 2020.**

11. **NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 6:00 PM**

**SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

4. **Annual JEDI Celebration on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 11:30 AM at the Sunrise Youth Center**
5. **Water and Wastewater Committee Meeting on Feb 10, 2020 at 5:30 PM**
6. **Street Committee Meeting on Feb 10, 2020 at 6:00 PM,**
7. **Finance Committee Meeting on Feb 17, 2020 at 5:30 PM**
8. **Insurance Committee Meeting on Feb 18, 2020 at 5:45 PM**

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

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 6:17 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 6:35 PM.**

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

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.**

**Submitted by Rosetta M. York**