



UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

March 19, 2019

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: Rosetta York, City Clerk
Physically present: Gayle Glumac, David Brown, Robert Reisner, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris
Absent: Larry Brooks
Also present: Attorney Max Tedford, Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Clerk Rosetta York
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:
Motion was made by Reisner seconded by Harris, to adopt the amended/proposed agenda.
Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris
Nays: None
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of March 5, 2019:
Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Blake, to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2019 meeting of the Newton City Council.
Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac
Nays: None
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Alderman Reisner reviewed the pre-paids in the amount of \$137,158.42 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and made a motion to approve the pre-paids and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$85,382.30. Blake seconded the motion.
Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown
Nays: None
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS:
Mark Bolander presented Steve Rubsam with a plaque and read the plaque. Thanking Steve for his service to the City of Newton from 2015-2019. Steve spoke to the council congratulating Gayle Glumac for coming to council. He thanked the people of the City of Newton allowing him to serve them and the City for the aware.
Mary and Ryan Banning is the new owners of Pizza Man. She is requesting a liquor license to serve her customers who would like to have a beer with their pizza. The council is going to have a Liquor Committee to meet and discuss adding another restaurant license.
8. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. Consider and act on Dues and Donation distribution of funds.

	2019 applicants	Contact	Proposed
1	Newton Elementary 5th grade science	Tonya Hall	\$250.00
2	NES/JCH Band-Aides NME Band Boosters	Jeffrey Finley	\$100.00
3	NCHS Chorus and Musical	Jeffrey Finley	\$100.00
4	Jasper County Youth Soccer	Chad Farley	\$500.00
5	Sunrise Youth Soccer	Troy Wolf	\$500.00
6	Sunrise Youth and Community Center	Kyle Klier	\$500.00
7	Jasper County Honey Do Ministries	Quincy Vanderhoof	\$500.00
8	Newton Elementary 5th Grade Language Arts	Steffanie Stark	\$200.00
9	Newton Eagle Football Pride	Steffanie Stark	\$300.00
10	B.O.Y.S.--Building Our Youth's Success	Travis Wyatt	\$100.00
11	Jasper County Eagles Youth Athletics Club	Christina Ochs	\$100.00
12	Jasper County Boys and Girls Park	Chris Hankins	\$500.00
13	Jasper County Junior High Student Council	Amy Harris	\$200.00
14	Jasper County Junior High Language Arts Department	Amy Harris	\$250.00
15	Limitless Life, Jasper County	Sarah Weiler	\$500.00
16	St. Thomas Elementary	Jill Bierman	\$500.00
17	NCHS Post Prom	Jessica Swick	\$100.00
18	Furture Lady Eagles Basketball	Jessica Swick	\$100.00
19	Strong Girls after School Program - Newton Elementary	Linda Tharp	\$200.00
			\$5,500.00

Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Reisner, to authorize the above list of distribution for 2019 Dues and Donation funds.

Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner

Nays: None



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- b. Consider and act on approving and authorizing a lease agreement for a backhoe.
Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Glumac, to approve and authorize a lease agreement for a backhoe with Erb Equipment Company for \$6,928.10 per year for 5 years to be shared by Street and Electric Departments.
Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake
Nays: None
 - c. Consider and act on hiring a new billing clerk.
Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Brown, to approve and authorize hiring a new billing clerk, Amy J. Tarr, starting March 28, 2019.
Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris
Nays: None
 - d. Consider and act on Smithenry Trenching Invoice in the amount of \$19,472.00 for Concrete Entrance on Gregory Street into City Parking Lot.
Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to approve and authorize payment of Smithenry Trenching Invoice #918 in the amount of \$19,472.00 for Concrete Entrance on Gregory Street into City Parking Lot.
Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown
Nays: None
 - e. Consider and act on Smithenry Trenching Invoice in the amount of \$4,230.13 for Truck Dolly Pad and Miscellaneous work in City Parking Lot.
John Stone
Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to approve and authorize payment of Smithenry Trenching Invoice #919 in the amount of \$4,230.13 for Truck Dolly Pad and Miscellaneous work in City Parking Lot.
Ayes: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner
Nays: None
9. NEW BUSINESS:
- a. Consider and act on the Mayor's appointment of committees and their chairpersons, effective May 1, 2019.
Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Harris, to approve and authorize the Mayor's appointments of committees and their chairpersons, effective May 1, 2019.
Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake
Nays: None
 - b. Consider and act on the Mayor's appointment of Department Heads, effective May 1, 2019.
Motion was made by Blake, seconded by Brown, to approve and authorize the Mayor's appointments of Department Heads, effective May 1, 2019.
Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris
Nays: None
 - c. Consider and act on authorizing two (2) Newton Police officers to attend IJOA & IDOA 2019 Annual State Conference Continued Professional Training, June 12-14, 2019 with fees of \$175 for the first attendee and \$150 for additional officers from the same department, plus allowable expenses.
Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Blake, approve and authorize authorizing two (2) Newton Police officers to attend IJOA & IDOA 2019 Annual State Conference Continued Professional Training, June 12-14, 2019 with fees of \$175 for the first attendee and \$150 for additional officers from the same department, plus allowable expenses.
Ayes: Brown, Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac
Nays: None
10. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: Personnel Committee 3-13 and Dues and Donations 3-18
- Personnel Committee March 13, 2019:** The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM. At 5:45 the committee started interviewing four candidates for billing clerk. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM
- Dues and Donations-March 18, 2019:** Discuss the 2019 applications and amounts distributed to applicants. Council will vote on March 19th, to be paid in April. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.



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11. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

Harris: No comment

Blake: No comment

Reisner: No comment

Brown: Thanked Steve for working on council. Hardest working retired guy he knows.

Glumac: No comment

City Attorney: No comment

City Treasurer: No comment

City Clerk: No comment

Mayor: Thanked Steve for his hard work. He did a great job with 3 or 4 projects. His work was greatly appreciated.

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: **Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6:00 PM**

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Finance Committee Meeting 3-20-19 at 5:30 PM

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

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, 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: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown

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: Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner

Nays: None

Open session resumed at 6:34 PM.

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

14. ADJOURNMENT

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

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Reisner, Blake

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 PM.

Submitted by Rosetta York