



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

January 18, 2022

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 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, RJ Lindemann and Marlene Harris
Also present: Attorney William Heap, Treasurer Melissa Brooks, and Clerk Rosetta M. York
Absent: Larry Brooks and Eric Blake
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA: Add Joshua J. Kuhl to Public Comment to read Dr. Adam Wolf's email
Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Glumac, to adopt the amended agenda.
Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Lindemann, Harris
Nays: None
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of January 4, 2022:
Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Harris, to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2022 meeting of the Newton City Council.
Ayes: Brown, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac
Nays: None
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Alderman Lindemann reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$132,239.14 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 \$106,537.88.
Glumac seconded the motion.
Ayes: Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown
Nays: None
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: Joshua J. Kuhl to Public Comment to read Dr. Adam Wolf's email:
From: Brooke Wolf
Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 3:58 PM
To: jkuhl
Subject: Wolf Eye Care

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

As you are aware, Wolf Eye Care is relocating to the corner of Washington Street and First Avenue. We have been in our current location, 301 S. Jackson Street, since June of 2012. We are proud to have grown up in Jasper County and to call Newton our home. As a result, we are invested in this community and want to see it grow and prosper. We have recently started construction on our new building, and were just made aware that there is not a main water line on First Avenue on the west side of our property. We saw that it was proposed to put in a water line on First Avenue, and it was voted down. The cost for us to tap into the existing main water line located under the brick road on Washington Street will be approximately \$10,000. We feel that this is a bit extreme to have an existing business in town be responsible to cover this total cost. We understand that we would have a cost to tap into the main water line and are completely fine with that. We are proposing that we cover the cost to tap into the main water line as if we would be tapping into First Avenue, and the city would cover the remaining cost to fix the brick road according to the city's ordinance. We are located in the TIF district and it is our understanding that the TIF money is there to be used to improve infrastructure.

We are unable to attend tonight's city council meeting. Our goal is to attend the next city council meeting to voice our displeasure over the council's decision to not install a main water line along First Avenue, which is located in a TIF district, and to address what has been mentioned above.

Thanks for your time,
Adam and Brooke Wolf

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:
(Blake) Mayor Kuhl-- Personnel Committee minutes: The committee went in to Executive Session to discuss personnel. The committee came out of Executive Session and adjourned the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM. Eric Blake Chairman (He was not present.). The Mayor conducted the meeting.
(Brooks) Harris -- Water and Wastewater Committee minutes:
 - Tyler presented quotes for repairing and replacing the water salesman. To repair it would cost \$7465 and to replace and move it would cost \$8085. This move does not include the



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electrical work that may have to be hired out to hook up, and meter and pipe that is already in house.

- Stated that the old meter blew apart, the coin mechanism has not been working right and needs repaired. The new meter would be put outside the fence at the water plant, and a camera could be put on it. A PO will be presented at tomorrow's council meeting for the expense of repair or replacement depending on the discussion following these minutes.
- Tyler also stated that the pump and the column on well #7 were being replaced. During the cleaning of the well it was detected that they were full of iron deposits, and in bad shape. It was cheaper to do this while the well was already apart. It was also stated that the water plant went down over Christmas. It was suggested that a computer backup to be purchased at the cost of \$1600, because there is no backup at the present time.
- Brent at sewer department stated the new building may be starting at any time. Some parts have been delivered.
- Adjourned at 6:12

9. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Consider and act on hiring a part-time Deputy Collector

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Glumac, hiring Maggie MacDonald for the part-time Deputy Collector beginning February 1, 2022.

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Lindemann

Nays: None

- b. Consider and act on Ordinance 22-01 To Amend the Zoning Map of the Zoning Code to the City of Newton, Jasper County, Illinois. (Location is 8526 N St Hwy 130)

Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Brown, to pass Ordinance 22-01 To Amend the Zoning Map of the Zoning Code to the City of Newton, Jasper County, Illinois. (Location is 8526 N St Hwy 130)

Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Lindemann, Harris

Nays: None

- c. Consider and act on Ordinance 22-02 To Amend the Zoning Map of the Zoning Code to the City of Newton, Jasper County, Illinois. (301 S. Jackson)

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Glumac, to pass Ordinance 22-02 To Amend the Zoning Map of the Zoning Code to the City of Newton, Jasper County, Illinois. (301 S. Jackson)

Ayes: Brown, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac

Nays: None

- d. Consider and act on Raymond Reynolds' letter of retirement.

Motion was made by Glumac, seconded by Harris, to authorize Raymond Reynolds' letter of retirement, effective January 31, 2022.

Ayes: Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown

Nays: None

- e. Honor Raymond Reynolds



Mayor Kuhl thanked Raymond for his 41 plus years of service.



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10. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Discuss a potential community texting service for the City of Newton. (Sarah Kinkade will be there to help explain the plan.)

Sarah and RJ spoke on the SlickText service at <https://www.slicktext.com/>, which is a service that an organization, company or whatever can send texts to whomever signs up. They think that this service will help with public service announcements. There seems to be information not getting to public.

11. STATEMENTS BY:

Glumac: No comment.

Brown: I would like to call a Police and Building Permit Committee Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

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

Harris: Congratulation to Raymond on his retirement. I would like to call an Insurance Committee Meeting on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 5:45 PM.

City Attorney: No comment.

City Treasurer: Presented Appropriation Changes:

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Lindemann, to make the two (2) following appropriation changes:

1. In General Fund Police move \$1,000 from Contingency Fund (9000-23) to Building Repair (5630-23)
2. In Water move \$1,000 from Contingency Fund (9000-40) to Tool Repair (5532-40).

Ayes: Harris, Glumac, Brown, Lindemann

Nays: None

City Clerk: Water Department PO # 6526

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Harris, to authorize Water Department purchase order # 6526 for \$8,085.00 to move and repair the bulk water salesman to Utility Technologies, LLC.

Ayes: Glumac, Brown, Lindemann, Harris

Nays: None

Mayor: Thanks again to Raymond Reynolds his years of service to the City of Newton.

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: February 1, 2022 at 6:00 PM

SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Police and Building Permit Committee Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 6:00 PM and an Insurance Committee Meeting on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 5:45 PM.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

14. ADJOURNMENT

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

Ayes: Brown, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Submitted by Rosetta M. York

ACCOUNTS PAYABLES January 19, 2022

ZONING

Hometown Register		\$114.70
Total Zoning		\$114.70

STREET

Dollar General		\$50.05
Jasper County Health Department		\$150.00
Midwest Tractor Sales		\$11.86
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		\$245.95
Terminix International		\$26.66
Total Street		\$484.52

POLICE

Axon Enterprise Inc		1,872.00
Birch Auto Service & Towing		156.25
Card Service Center		844.01
Cintas Corporation #370		\$182.72
Cintas Corporation #2		\$139.51
CJ's Performance & Accessories		\$1,530.70
County of Jasper		\$8,179.92
Clint Crossen		\$550.00
Dollar General		\$25.00
Galls, LLC		\$54.40
Jasper County Health Dept.		\$600.00
Kirchner Building Centers		\$73.25
Lorenz Supply Company		\$66.70
Martin's IGA		\$129.20
McClane Motor Sales, Inc.		\$914.00
Judy McClure Signs & Graphics		\$475.00
Kelsey McClure		\$311.54
Kim Muska		\$311.54
Newton Part Supply		\$72.07
Ray O'Herron		\$61.97
Technology Management Revolving Fund		\$265.62
Terminix International		\$26.67
Total Printing Systems		\$7.67
Verizon Wireless		\$107.83
Weber Title, Inc.		\$250.00
Total Police		\$17,207.57

CEMETERY

Yager's Backhoe Service		\$500.00
Total Cemetery		\$500.00

PARK

Alliance Tractor LLC.		\$221.62
Huddleston Supply Inc.		\$346.95
Jasper County Health Department		\$100.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		\$16.49
Rubsam Paint Store		\$273.52
Total Park		\$958.58

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Card Service Center		\$263.99
Civic Systems, LLC		\$325.50
Jasper County Health Department		\$50.00
Kemper Technology Consulting		\$2,754.57
Lorenz Supply Co.		\$66.70
Kelsey McClure		\$311.54
Kim Muska		\$311.54
Office Essentials		\$650.92
Southern Illinois Mayors Association		\$75.00
T.E.S.I.		\$385.41
Terminix International		\$26.67
Total Printing Systems		\$133.20
Total General Administration		\$5,355.04

TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS

\$24,620.41

EMA

County of Jasper

	\$501.46
Total EMA	\$501.46

TORT

Symetra Life Insurance Co.

	\$29,027.00
Total Tort	\$29,027.00

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

Southern Illinois Community Foundation

	\$1,000.00
Total Capital Dev.	\$1,000.00

TIF

PGAV Planners

	\$50.00
Total TIF	\$50.00

TOTAL SPECIALS	\$30,578.46
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ELECTRIC

Alliance Tractor LLC.

\$21.00

Anixter, Inc.

\$2,132.50

Brownstown Electric

\$85.50

Civic Systems, LLC

\$325.50

Dollar General

\$27.75

Drake-Scruggs Equipment

\$2,876.39

Bonnie Finn

\$40.00

Halls Safety Equipment Corp.

\$462.25

J Harlen Co. Inc.

\$74.70

Jasper County Health Department

\$350.00

Kirchner Building Centers

\$24.48

Martin's IGA

\$54.62

Newton Part Supply, Inc.

\$303.85

Office Essentials

\$115.76

Electric Cont.

Online Information Services

\$59.70

Springfield Electric Supply Co.

\$2,038.38

Terminix International

\$27.50

Total Electric	\$9,019.88
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WATER

Bradford Supply Co.

\$412.59

Card Service Center

\$1,648.43

Civic Systems, LLC

\$325.50

EJ Water Cooperative, Inc.

\$18.00

Hach

\$4,097.00

Hawkins, Inc.

\$286.24

iWater, Inc.

\$1,200.00

Jasper County Health Department

\$200.00

Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware

\$12.14

Midwest Meter, Inc.

\$30,781.38

Office Essentials

\$296.17

Total Printing Systems

\$236.00

UPS

\$43.71

USA BlueBook

\$51.87

Total Water	\$39,609.03
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WWT

Civic Systems, LLC

\$325.50

Huddleston Supply Inc.

\$90.82

Jasper County Health Department

\$150.00

Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware

\$34.14

J.R. Madison

\$51.00

Newton Part Supply, Inc.

\$166.59

Schulte Supply, Inc.

\$428.02

Terminix International

\$27.50

Vandevanter Engineering

\$1,436.53

Total WWT	\$2,710.10
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TOTAL PAYABLES=	\$106,537.88
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General Fund

Ameren Illinois	\$1,239.37
Sparklight	\$769.04
LIUNA	\$4,229.85
SILEC-Southwestern IL Law Enforcement Commission	\$170.00
William Heap	\$150.00
City of Newton	\$954.73
Newton Library	\$2,061.33
Wex Bank-Circle K	\$849.34
Wex Bank-marathon	\$430.01
Sarah Carter	\$79.56
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INS A

The Standard Insurance	\$439.29
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Payroll

The Standard	\$430.84
State Disbursement Unit	\$956.76
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	\$112.00
American Heritage Life Insurance	\$46.78
AFLAC	\$1,122.72
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	\$2,669.10

Electric

Ameren Illinois	\$368.21
Verizon Wireless	\$49.49
Newton Post Office	\$156.78
Sparklight	\$105.59
Norris Electric Cooperative	\$128.25
City of Newton	\$255.50
Wex Bank - Circle K	\$64.23
Wex Bank - marathon	\$384.64
Illinois Power Marketing	\$100,433.13
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	\$101,945.82

WATER

Verizon Wireless	\$21.71
Ameren Illinois	\$515.36
Sparklight	\$90.27
Newton Post Office	\$156.78
City of Newton	\$1,404.66
Illinois Rural Water Association	\$175.00
St. Thomas Church	\$3,000.00
Bierman/Scott Investments	\$500.00
Wex Bank - marathon	\$445.74
Wex Bank - Circle K	\$32.40
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	\$6,341.92

WWT

Ameren Illinois	\$336.45
Verizon Wireless	\$49.49
Newton Post Office	\$156.78
Sparklight	\$90.27
City of Newton	\$4,580.43
Wex Bank - marathon	\$339.72
Illinois Rural Water Association	\$525.00
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	\$6,078.14

SPECIALS

City of Newton	\$6.90
Trustmark Health Benefits, Inc.	\$1,124.74
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TIF

Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene P.C.	\$200.00
Rehabilitation & Performance Institute	\$2,475.00
JEDI	\$25.00
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	\$2,700.00

Total Prepays = \$132,239.14