



## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

January 02, 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: Robert Reisner, Eric Blake and Marlene Harris**  
**Absent: Steve Rubsam, David Brown and Larry Brooks**  
**Also present: Attorney Max Tedford, Treasurer Melissa Brooks, Clerk Rosetta York**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, to adopt the proposed agenda.**  
**Ayes: Reisner, Blake, Harris, Bolander**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of December 18, 2018:  
**Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Blake, to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2018 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Bolander, Reisner**  
**Nays: None**
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: **NONE**
7. OLD BUSINESS: None
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - a. Consider and act on the appointment to the SCIRPDC Board of Commissioners, Amber Volk to replace Ken Larimore beginning at the January 29, 2019 SCIRPDC board meeting.  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Harris, approve to the appointment to the SCIRPDC Board of Commissioners, Amber Volk to replace Ken Larimore beginning at the January 29, 2019 SCIRPDC board meeting.**  
**Ayes: Harris, Bolander, Reisner, Blake**  
**Nays: None**
9. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: **None**
10. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

**Harris:** Happy New Year

**Blake:** 2 Committee Meeting Alcohol and Tobacco Meeting on Jan. 10, 2019 at 6:00 PM and Dues and Donation Meeting on Jan. 10, 2019 at 6:30 PM. Jasper County Animal Report given.

**Reisner:** No Comment

**City Attorney:** Happy New Year

**City Treasurer:** Presented an appropriation  
**Motion was made by Reisner, seconded by Blake to make the following appropriation change in the Electric Department, to move \$4,000 from Contingency Fund to Tool Purchase.**  
**Ayes: Rubsam, Brown, Brooks, Reisner, Harris**  
**Nays: None**

**City Clerk:** Going to Certify the City's ballot with the County Clerk.

**Mayor:**

  - I want to make sure the new logo is put on the new squad car and water dept. truck
  - Presented the analysis of City's Facebook page activity.
  - Asked Blake to invite the distributor to the Alcohol & Committee Meeting.
  - Happy New Year



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**11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 6:00 PM**

**SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

**JEDI Annual Meeting Jan. 8, 2019 at 1:15 PM, Alcohol and Tobacco Committee Meeting Jan. 10, 2019 at 6:00 PM and Dues and Donations Committee Meeting Jan. 10, 2019 at 6:30 PM**

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

**Motion was made by Reisner, 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, Bolander**

**Nays: None**

**Open session suspended at 6:16 PM.**

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

**Ayes: Blake, Harris, Bolander, Reisner**

**Nays: None**

**Open session resumed at 6:28 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 Reisner, seconded by Harris, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Harris, Bolander, Reisner, Blake**

**Nays: None**

Meeting adjourned at **6:38 PM.**

Submitted by Rosetta York