



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL

108 N. Van Buren St

Newton, IL 62448

October 4, 2022

Finance/Audit Committee Meeting Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 5:40 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER: Joshua J. Kuhl, Mayor
Mayor Joshua J. Kuhl called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman Eric Blake.
Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Eric Blake.
3. ROLL CALL: Rosetta 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 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 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES of September 20, 2022.
Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Harris, to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2022 of the Newton City Council.
Ayes: Brown, Brooks, Harris, Glumac
Nays: None
Abstain: Lindemann, Blake
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS: **None**
7. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:
Lindemann: Finance/Audit Committee Meeting Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 5:40 PM

Present: RJ Lindemann, Melissa Brooks, Elizabeth Belcher, Kenneth Belcher, Larry Brooks, Gayle Glumac, Marlene Harris, Tyler Weber, David Brown, Rosetta York and Bill Heap

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

Reviewed the TIF Application for Ginger's Gardens and Gifts and changed the committee's recommendation from \$200 to \$647.50.

Reviewed the TIF Application for People's State Bank from \$1,900 to \$2,500.

Reviewed the TIF Application for Rauch's Jewelry from \$1,050 to \$2,500.

Reviewed the TIF Application for Mike Niemerg from \$146.40 to \$488.

Discussed a new TIF application for Kenneth and Elizabeth Belcher. It was decided to recommend their project receive \$5,000.

The meeting ended at 5:46 p.m.

RJ Lindemann - Chairman

8. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. Consider and act on modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for Ginger's Gardens and Gifts from \$200 to \$647.50.
Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Brown, to authorize modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for Ginger's Gardens and Gifts from \$200 to \$647.50.
Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown
Nays: None
 - B. Consider and act on modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for People's State Bank from \$1,900 to \$2,500.
Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to authorize modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for People's State Bank from \$1,900 to \$2,500.
Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Harris, Glumac, Brown, Brooks
Nays: None
 - C. Consider and act on modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for Rauch's Jewelry from \$1,050 to \$2,500.



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Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Glumac, to authorize modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for Rauch's Jewelry from \$1,050 to \$2,500.

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

Nays: None

- D. Consider and act on modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for Mike Niemerg from \$146.40 to \$488.

Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Lindemann, to authorize modifying the TIF reimbursement fund pay out to TIF Application for Mike Niemerg from \$146.40 to \$488.

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

Nays: None

- E. Consider and act on Partial Payment #2 & Final, due Grunloh Building, for the Sludge Building project in the amount of \$13,628.30.

Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Lindemann, to authorize Partial Payment #2 & Final, due Grunloh Building, for the Sludge Building project in the amount of \$13,628.30.

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

Nays: None

- F. Consider and act on Partial Pay Estimate #1, due Beanland & Son Drilling, for the Well #10 project in the amount of \$125,647.50. (Shannon corrected a typo on the amount from \$125,637.50 to \$125,647.50.)

Connor & Connor Shannon: The #10 well is almost done. The water samples have been sent for testing. Some valves from Well #6 were going to be used on the new well. It was decided that they needed to update them. This will be a minor budget increase.

Motion was made by Lindemann, seconded by Harris, to authorize Partial Pay Estimate #1, due Beanland & Son Drilling, for the Well #10 project in the amount of \$125,647.50.

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

Nays: None

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Consider and act on 22-15 Ordinance to Establish Additional Compensation Provisions for Certain Department Heads and Other City Employees.

Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Glumac, to pass 22-15 Ordinance to Establish Additional Compensation Provisions for Certain Department Heads and Other City Employees.

Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Harris, Glumac, Brown

Nays: Blake

- B. Consider and act on Application for Dumpster Reimbursement for 806 Lincoln Ave.

Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Lindemann, to authorize Dumpster Reimbursement for 806 Lincoln Ave to Bob and Kathy Gray for \$1486.53.

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

Nays: None

10. STATEMENTS:

Council Members:

Glumac: No Comments

Brown: No Comments

Brooks: No Comments

RJ Lindemann: No Comments

Blake: No Comments

Harris: The Street Department has a few ramps and handicapped things on the sidewalks. They are not done yet. Other than I have nothing.

City Attorney: I want to report that we're getting close to closing on the purchase of that railroad property. We have the survey approved and put in final form. The title



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insurance company that the railroad is using is going to conduct what's called an insured closing. We'll eventually be receiving information on where to wire funds and how to wire them. I'll get them to you as soon as I get those. We'll have some documents for the mayor to sign for that closing. I don't see any reason to take the mayor and the clerk up to that closing on behalf of the city and take whatever documents we have here. We don't have a closing date yet, but it has to be before November 1st. If we cannot, the council will need to vote to extend the contract for additional time. But I think we can make it by then. It's moving forward according to the way we hoped it would.

City Treasurer: No Comments

City Clerk: Wastewater Department PO #7

Motion was made by Brooks, seconded by Harris, to authorize Wastewater Department PO #7 to R. E. Pedrotti Company, Inc. for Alarm Scada System at \$20,295.00.

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

Nays: None

Mayor Kuhl: A big thank you to St. Thomas students, as well as Mrs. Jill Bierman, the principal, Mr. Stork, the teacher, Tiffany Keller and Susan Lindley for their work on landscaping the "Welcome to Newton" sign by Norris Electric.

It's Homecoming weekend with the parade Friday afternoon and Football game on Friday night.

11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: **Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 6:00 PM**
SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS: **None**

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: **None**

13. ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Submitted by Rosetta M. York