

NEWTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024, 6:00 PM

Pledge

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro Tem Hallam asked everyone present to join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call to Order

1. Roll Call

The City Council of Newton, Iowa met in regular session at 6:00 P.M. on the above date at the Newton Arboretum and Botanical Gardens, 3030 N 4th Ave E. Mayor Pro Tem Hallam presided. Present Council Members: Mills, Mullan, Dalton, Hallam, Simbro, Ervin. Absent: None.

Citizen Participation

2. This is the time of the meeting that a citizen may address the Council. After being recognized by the presiding officer, each person will be given three (3) minutes to speak. Elected officials will take comments into consideration; however, this time is not intended for a discussion or entering into a dialogue. Elected officials and City staff will not answer questions or debate a citizen during the *Citizen Participation* portion of the meeting.

Kim Dldier, DMACC Business Resources Executive Director and project manager. Provided an update of the projects at Legacy Plaza. Plant 1 Lofts will have 81 market rate apartments. Then construction will move to buildings 1 & 2 for the boutique hotel named The Ringer. 51 rooms will be in the hotel. There will be some extended stay rooms as well. In the green space, all the concrete and lighting is complete. Planting will be happening soon and work on the sculpture. Donna Stumme, 401 E 10th St S, would like to see Newton host a national dog show. Bryce Heitman, 930 E 10TH ST S, spoke in support of the Downtown Public restrooms.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Dalton, seconded by Simbro to approve consent agenda items 3-13. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Consent Agenda was adopted.

3. August 19, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
4. August 20, 2024 Special City Council Workshop Minutes
5. Approve Liquor Licenses for the following: Alta House Event Center - LC0047705, 1600 E 36th St S, Class C Retail Alcohol License; Kwik Star #1001 - LG0000900, 1901 1st Ave E, Class B Retail Alcohol License; Shop N Save - LE0003589, 404 S 11th Ave W, Class E Retail Alcohol License; World to Go - LG0001070, 405 1st Ave E, Class B Retail Alcohol License
6. Resolution appointing Rachel Braafhart to the Library Board of Trustees for a term ending June 30, 2030
- Resolution 2024-295 adopted.
7. Resolution levying assessments for costs of nuisance abatement and providing for the payment thereof (Schedule 24-10)
- Resolution 2024-296 adopted.
8. Resolution fixing the amounts to be assessed against individual private properties for the abatement of nuisance violations (Schedule No. 24-11)
- Resolution 2024-297 adopted.
9. Resolution approving Task Order 24-04 with Strand Associates Engineering for professional services, for N.E. Pump Station modifications
- Resolution 2024-298 adopted.
10. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a pickup for the Water Treatment Plant
- Resolution 2024-299 adopted.
11. Resolution approving change order #3 for the Union Drive Reconstruction Project
- Resolution 2024-300 adopted.
12. Resolution Approving a Property Tax Rebate for the Ex Nihilo Property Located at 107 1st Ave W Within the North Central Urban Renewal Area
- Resolution 2024-301 adopted.
13. Approve Bills

Ordinance

14. Third consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title VII, Chapter 70, Section 70.15, "Traffic and Parking Schedules Adopted by Reference", to make changes to street parking in the 500-700 block of W 3rd St S
Moved by Mills, seconded by Mullan to approve the third consideration of the Ordinance. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Third Consideration of the Ordinance was approved. Moved by Ervin, seconded by Mills, to adopt the Ordinance. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Ordinance 2450 was adopted.
15. Third consideration of an ordinance amending the code of ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title V Public Works, By adding Chapter 53 Stormwater Utility
Moved by Mills, seconded by Mullan to approve the third consideration of the Ordinance. AYES: Five. NAYS: Ervin. Third Consideration of the Ordinance was approved. Moved by Mills, seconded by Mullan, to adopt the Ordinance. AYES: Five. NAYS: Ervin. Ordinance 2451 was adopted.

Resolution

16. Resolution approving the purchase of 306 E 8th Street South, Newton, using the City's Low-Moderate Income Set-aside Funds
Moved by Simbro, seconded by Mills to adopt the Resolution. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution 2024-302 adopted.

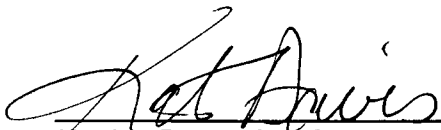
Mayor/Council Comments

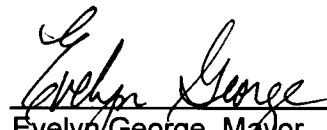
17. Mayor & Council Comments

Mayor Pro Tem Hallam stated RVTV was a success. Several individuals representing Newton attended the Housing Iowa 2024 conference. Construction is moving along on the ALDI building. The Newton Fire Department will be hosting their annual 9/11 ceremony at 5:30 p.m.

Adjourn

Moved by Dalton, seconded by Mullan to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 P.M. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.


Katrina Davis, City Clerk


Evelyn George, Mayor

