

NEWTON WORKSHOP CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 23, 2025, 6:00 PM

Call to Order

1. Roll Call

The City Council of Newton, Iowa met in special session at 6:00 P.M. on the above date in the Hotel Maytag at 105 N 2nd Ave E. Mayor George presided. Present Council Members: Mills, Mullan, Dalton, Hallam, Simbro, Ervin. Absent: None.

Presentation

2. Low Moderate Income (LMI) Housing Set-Aside Grant Policy (15 minutes)
Council reviewed the aspects and goals of the LMI Grant Policy.
3. Local Purchase Policy (15 minutes)
Council discussed various changes to the policy.
4. Targeted Business Recruitment (20 minutes)
Council discussed how to support and expand the city's economic base.
5. Economic Development Discussion -TIF, Industrial Property Tax Abatement, and Citywide Urban Revitalization (25 minutes)
The council brainstormed a primary focus on Newton being a compelling destination, on economic development, curb appeal, infrastructure and quality of life.
6. Expectations of Partner Organizations (45 minutes)
Council discussed and specified expectations for Main Street, Newton Housing Development Corporation, and Newton Development Corporation.

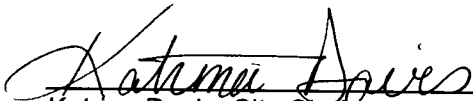
Mayor/Council Comments

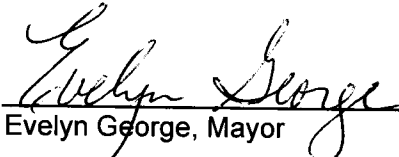
7. Mayor and Council Comments

Mayor George gave kudos to the parks staff for getting the pool open earlier than expected.

Adjourn

Moved by Mills, seconded by Dalton to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 P.M. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.


Katrina Davis, City Clerk


Evelyn George, Mayor

