



Newton City Council Agenda

September 5, 2023 - 6:00 PM

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City Hall - Council Chambers
101 W 4th St S, Newton, IA 50208

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Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order

1. Roll Call

Presentation

2. Utility Meter Reading Technology - Dan Ashworth, Municipal Supply
3. United Way of Jasper County Update - Jessica Lowe Vokes, Executive Director

Citizen Participation

4. 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

Consent Agenda

5. August 21, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
6. August 21, 2023 Workshop Minutes
7. Approve Liquor License for the following: Kwik Star #1001, Premise Street, 1910 1st Ave E, Class B Retail Alcohol License; Okoboji Grill of Newton LLC, 1425 W 19th St S, Class C Retail Alcohol License, Ownership Change, Outdoor Service, Catering, Sunday Sales
8. Resolution levying assessments for costs of nuisance abatement and providing for the payment thereof (Schedule 23-08)
9. Resolution removing the Agnes Patterson Park Cropland from the 2024-2026 Growing Season Crop Lease Bidding
10. Resolution authorizing payment to Northway Well Corporation for Jordan Well repair from lightning strike
11. Resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with Bolton & Menk
12. Resolution approving change order #2 for the WPC Plant Improvements Project

13. Resolution Setting Date for Public Hearing on Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for North Central Urban Renewal Area
14. Resolution approving the purchase of equipment for the Police Department
15. Resolution approving lime sludge removal contract with Jon Taylor
16. Approve Bills

Public Hearing

17. Public Hearing on a Resolution Awarding Contract for the Arbor Estates Second Addition Construction Project
 - The City, in partnership with the Newton Housing Development Corporation (NHDC), has been working to increase residential subdivision development in northeast Newton.
 - Plans and specifications were prepared by Bolton & Menk and placed out for bid on the Arbor Estates Phase Second Addition subdivision.
 - City Staff recommends that Council award a contract for the base bid work plus add-alternate A to McAnich Corp. of Des Moines, Iowa in the amount of \$2,689,109.12.
18. Resolution Awarding Contract for the Arbor Estates Second Addition Construction Project
19. Public hearing on a resolution awarding contract for the Aurora Park Pickleball Courts Construction Project
 - On September 13, 2022, Newton residents approved a park bond referendum, which included the construction of pickleball courts in Aurora Park.
 - Plans and specifications were prepared by Bolton & Menk and placed out for bid, with Minturn, Inc. of Brooklyn, Iowa submitting the lowest bid.
 - City Staff recommends that Council award the project to Minturn, Inc. of Brooklyn, Iowa in the amount of \$370,000.00.
20. Resolution awarding contract for the Aurora Park Pickleball Courts Construction Project
21. Public Hearing on a Resolution Awarding Contract for the Maytag Pool Improvements Project
 - On September 13, 2022, Newton residents approved a park bond referendum, which included upgrades to Maytag Pool.
 - Plans and specifications were prepared by Burbach Aquatics and placed out for bid, with four bids received and opened on August 22, 2023.
 - City Staff recommends that Council award a contract for the base bid work plus add-alternate no. 1-1 (zip-line play feature) to Sande Construction of Humboldt, Iowa in the amount of \$1,052,826.00.

22. Resolution Awarding Contract for the Maytag Pool Improvements Project
23. Public hearing on a resolution rejecting bids for the Westwood Golf Course Clubhouse Project
 - On September 13, 2022, Newton residents approved a park bond referendum, which included the construction of a new clubhouse at the Westwood Golf Course.
 - Due to bid prices received on August 17, 2023 being well over the earlier anticipated project costs, along with funds unavailable to cover the cost of the project, it is recommended that all bids be rejected.
24. Resolution rejecting all bids for the Westwood Golf Course Clubhouse Project
25. Public Hearing on an Ordinance Amending the City of Newton Official Zoning Map for Property Located at 1750, 1770, and 1805 South 8th Avenue East and 600 East 17th Street South from R-2: One and Two-family and R-4: Multi-Family Residential to C-A: Arterial Commercial
 - The applicants have requested a rezoning of the subject property to enhance the marketability of the properties and to accommodate future redevelopment of 1805 S. 8th Ave. E.
 - At their meeting on August 15, 2023, the Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the rezoning application.
 - The applicants have requested City Council's consideration to waive the second and third reading of the ordinance.
26. First Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the City of Newton Official Zoning Map for Property Located at 1750, 1770, and 1805 South 8th Avenue East and 600 East 17th Street South from R-2: One and Two-family and R-4: Multi-Family Residential to C-A: Arterial Commercial

Ordinance

27. First Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title XV Land Usage, by Rescinding Chapter 159 Commercial Business/Property Code (No Council Report)
 - Ordinance 2389 dated December 7, 2020, established Chapter 159: Commercial Business/Property Code. This Ordinance would rescind Chapter 159: Commercial Business/Property Code from the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa 2016.
 - Based on feedback from elected officials at the August 21, 2023 City Council Work Session, City staff recommends that the second and third readings of this ordinance be waived.

Resolution

28. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Sensus Software (Flexnet) and Equipment for Meter Reading Technology for the Utility Billing and Utilities Department from Municipal Supply Inc

- Utility staff has been researching smart water meter remote read systems and have reviewed 5 proposals.
- Staff recommends the purchase of Sensus software and equipment from Municipal Supply Inc to implement wireless meter readings in the amount of \$241,937 over a 5 year period. This will be paid using Water Enterprise funds.

29. Resolution Authorizing Purchase of an Itron AMR System and Software from the Van Wert Company for Utility Billing Meter Reading

- Van Wert Company presently provides meter reading services for the Utility Billing office and will no longer be providing this service
- Van Wert Company has provided a quote for all software and equipment so the City can continue capturing readings until new wireless technology is implemented in the amount of \$26,360 for FY24

30. Resolution Authorizing a Utility Meter Reader position in the Administration Department

- The City of Newton Utility Billing department has had a contract with Van Wert Company to physically read water meters and upload readings into the current billing software and has given a 90 day notice to discontinue this service.
- It is proposed that a Utility Meter Reader position be added to the Utility Billing office under the Administration Department to physically capture meter readings until new wireless technology is implemented.

31. Resolution setting a Public Hearing for the Sale of City-owned property at 1011 and 1015 East 9th Street North, City of Newton, Jasper County, Iowa

- In order to consider offers on City-owned property, a public hearing date and time must be set.

32. Resolution approving Phase 3 of the Engineering Services Agreement for the Maytag Pool Play Features Improvement Project

- On May 1, 2023, City Council passed Resolution 2023-103 approving Phase 2 of an Engineering Services Agreement with Burbach Aquatics for work on said project.
- With the work approved in this phase winding down, approval is now being sought for the next needed phase of work.
- This resolution seeks approval for Phase 3 (Construction Related Services Phase), allowing Burbach Aquatics to complete the next phase of work.

Staff Report

- 33. License Plate Recognition Camera Project - Rob Burdess, Police Chief
- 34. Fire Department Annual Report - Jarrod Wellik, Fire Chief

Discussion

- 35. Cemetery rules

Mayor/Council Comments

- 36. Mayor and Council Comments

Adjourn

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