

**MINUTES OF THE NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON**  
**APRIL 05, 2021**

A meeting of the Newport City Council was held on April 05, 2021 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, City Hall, 200 S. Washington Avenue, Newport, Washington, with the following present:

	Shirley Sands	Mayor
	Russ Pelleberg	City Administrator
	Nickole North	Clerk/Treasurer
	Kendel Froese	City Attorney
Kenneth Smith		Councilmember
Nancy Hawks-Thompson		Councilmember
Mark Zorica		Councilmember
Keith Campbell		Mayor Pro Tem

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At 6:00 PM, Mayor Sands called the meeting to order followed by roll call and the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES:**

Councilmember Campbell moved to approve the agenda and minutes from the March 15, 2021 Council Meeting; Councilmember Zorica seconded. Motion carried.

**MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Mayor Sands reminded everyone to mute on ZOOM when they are not talking to avoid interference.

Mayor Sands spoke about the annual Easter Egg Hunt in the Newport City Park. She stated that it was on Saturday and there were around 4,000 eggs. It was a great morning and she used donations from last year since the funds were not spent due to COVID. It was a great time with many happy kids and a lot of fun. She appreciated everyone that helped with the event.

Mayor Sands also announced the retirement of Water Operator Gene Kolar. He retired February 18, 2021. A plaque was given to him in appreciate of seven years of service. Mayor Sands congratulated him and wished him luck and thanked him for his years of service.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilmember Campbell moved to authorize City Administrator Pelleberg to sign all documentation on behalf of the City through the EAGL system for the Department of Ecology funding; Councilmember Thompson seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Smith moved to appoint Jami Sears to Council Position #3 for the balance of an unexpired term; Councilmember Zorica seconded. Motion carried. Mayor Sands welcomed Ms.

Sears to the Council and stated that she would be sworn in at the beginning of the next Council Meeting.

**BILLS & PAYROLL:**


Councilmember Campbell moved to approve the bills and payroll; Councilmember Zorica seconded. Motion carried.

CLAIMS CHECKS 64074-64107	\$60,080.00
CLAIMS EFT 03/31/2021 Run 1-8	\$3,487.39
PAYROLL EFTS 1090-1094; DIRECT DEPOSIT 03/19/2021	\$54,667.35


**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Nickole North, MMC, CPFA  
Clerk/Treasurer

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Shirley Sands  
Mayor