

MINUTES OF THE NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON
AUGUST 02, 2021

A meeting of the Newport City Council was held on August 02, 2021, at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, City Hall, 200 S. Washington Avenue, Newport, Washington, with the following present:

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

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 the minutes from the July 19, 2021 Council Meeting; Councilmember Zorica seconded. Motion carried.

MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Sands stated that the City is still asking residents to conserve water.

Councilmember Smith discussed the update to the City's organizational chart and asked that Mayor and Council be equal on the chart below Citizens of Newport. He also asked that Board and Commissions be listed underneath both and that the City Administrator be listed under the Mayor. A new updated chart will be provided to the Council for their approval.

Councilmember Zorica asked for an update on Jeff Sherman's project. Mayor Sands stated that she met with Mr. Sherman regarding his project and they are working on getting everything in place so that he can continue to work on his project.

Councilmember Campbell asked for a hotel update. Mayor Sands stated that there has been contact with the interested party on this project but she has not heard back from him recently and would reach out to him again for an update.

NEW BUSINESS:

A public hearing was opened at 6:11 PM to discuss the proposed six-year transportation improvement program. Public Works Director North went over several projects that are on the list

to hopefully complete in the next six years with grant funding. There was no public comment. The public hearing was closed at 6:16 PM. No action was taken.

Councilmember Thompson moved to approve the Transportation Improvement Board Project No. 2-E-892(004)-1 Updated Cost Estimate in the amount of \$15,727.00 to include an agreement with McCanna Engineering for this project; Councilmember Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Zorica moved to approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement NP2015-10 Bulk Commercial Water Use Agreement by and between the West Bonner Water & Sewer District and the City of Newport; Councilmember Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

A Newport Rough Stock Event recap was given by Ray Hanson, Newport Rodeo Association President. The event took place on July 17th with a larger than normal attendance. There were no incidents. There are plans to have a Jeep Rodeo event on August 27, 28, and 29 which will include a vehicle swap meet and rock-climbing event in the arena.

Councilmember Campbell moved to allow Clerk/Treasurer North to apply for the necessary permits for the Newport RV Park; Councilmember Zorica seconded. Motion carried.

BILLS & PAYROLL:

Councilmember Thompson moved to approve the bills and payroll; Councilmember Sears seconded. Motion carried.

CLAIMS CHECKS 64317-64337	\$37,561.11
CLAIMS EFT 07/29/2021 Run 1-5	\$1,852.58
PAYROLL EFTS 1138-1142 & DIRECT DEPOSIT 07/22/2021	\$64,631.78

ADJOURNMENT:


The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Attest:



Nickole North, MMC, CPFA
Clerk/Treasurer

By:



Shirley Sands
Mayor