

MINUTES OF THE NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON
October 17, 2022

A regular meeting of the Newport City Council was held on October 17, 2022, at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, City Hall, 200 S. Washington Avenue, Newport, Washington, with the following present:

	Keith Campbell	Mayor (Absent)
	Abby Gribi	City Administrator
	Nickole North	Clerk/Treasurer
Kenneth Smith		Councilmember
Jordan Bowman		Councilmember
Jami Sears		Councilmember
Mark Zorica		Mayor Pro Tem
Nathan Longly		Councilmember

Mayor Pro Tem Zorica called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. This was followed by roll call and the pledge of allegiance. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES:

Councilmember Sears moved to approve the agenda and the minutes from the October 03, 2022 Council Meeting; Councilmember Longly seconded. Motion carried.

MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Sears stated that she hoped to see everyone at the downtown Halloween event on the 31st from 3:00 – 5:00 PM.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

City Administrator Gribi stated that winterization has begun. Bathrooms downtown will remain open until after Halloween. She has been working on prioritizing projects on the update to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Plan. It is about ready to send to Department of Ecology for review and then it will come back to Council for approval. The state audit is almost complete. A new Accounting Clerk has been hired and her first day is October 31st. Tiffany Hansen is her name. Ms. Gribi and Public Works Director Dave North will be attending the IACC conference this week. Andrew Crawford has passed his WWTP Operator I test. The Police Chief position was opened internally and the employee thought to apply did not apply and has submitted his resignation. There will now be two openings in the Police Department, one for Chief and one for Lateral Officer. These openings will be posted this week.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilmember Longly moved to approve Agreement NP2022-04A Low Income Home Water Assistance Program Vendor Agreement Addendum: Extension to Program Year 2022-2023; Councilmember Sears Seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Bowman moved to approve Agreement NP2022-21 Vision Municipal Solutions, LLC Vision Permitting Software; Councilmember Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Longly moved to approve Agreement NP2022-22 Canon Master Sales and Services Agreement as well as Lease Agreements NP2022-22A and NP2022-22B; Councilmember Smith seconded. Motion carried.

BILLS & PAYROLL:

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


CLAIMS CHECKS 65242-65280	\$80,494.07
CLAIMS EFT 10/12/2022 RUN 1-8	\$31,003.81
CLAIMS DIRECT PAY 10/12/2022 RUN 1-8	\$8,290.00
PAYROLL EFTS 1316-1322: Dir Deposit Run 10/05/2022	\$70,979.21

WORKSHOP:


A workshop to discuss upgrades to the public safety building located at 309 West 2nd Street was held. Councilmember Bowman moved to allow city staff to perform necessary upgrades to secure the sleep room, install alarms and outdoor lighting at the public safety building; Councilmember Longly seconded. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 PM.

Attest: 

Nickole North, MMC, CPFA
Clerk/Treasurer

By: 

Mark Zoriea
Mayor Pro Tem