

MINUTES OF THE NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON
October 02, 2023

A meeting of the Newport City Council was held on October 02, 2023, at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, City Hall, 200 S. Washington Avenue, Newport, Washington, with the following present:

	Keith Campbell	Mayor
	Abby Gribi	City Administrator
	Nickole North	Clerk/Treasurer
Kenneth Smith		Councilmember
Nathan Weathers		Councilmember
Jami Sears		Councilmember
Mark Zorica		Mayor Pro Tem
Nathan Longly		Councilmember

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES:

Councilmember Zorica moved to approve the agenda and the minutes from the September 18, 2023 Council Meeting; Councilmember Sears seconded. Motion carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

City Administrator Gribi stated that there have been lots of applications submitted for Meter Reader and Accounting Clerk. First review will be on the 10th.

She spoke of the Homecoming Parade.

She updated the Council that there is an issue with the Planning Commission not able to make quorum. Commissioner Wiltse resigned and she will put out a notice of the opening to get that vacant position filled. She will also reach out to the existing Commissioners to see if they are committed to staying and attending meetings or if they would like to resign so that some business can be done.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lori Stratton, NHHS Foundation Event & Program Supervisor gave a recap of the Autumn Bloom Run.

A public hearing was opened at 6:05 PM regarding a proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Zone Change of a 3.8 acre parcel on S. Warren Avenue. The property is currently zoned Public Use and the desired zoning is Multi-Family. Contracted Planner Aaron Qualls spoke about

the requested amendment. There was no public comment. The public hearing was closed at 6:08 PM.

Councilmember Longly moved to approve Ordinance 2114 updating the Newport Comprehensive Plan by adopting an updated future land use map; adopting an updated zoning map; adoption and incorporation by reference of the City’s updated parks plan, sewer and water plans, and incorporating by reference the adopted 6-year transportation improvement plan; providing for severability; and providing an effective date; Councilmember Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Sears moved to approve Ordinance 2113 concerning the Shoreline Master Program Adoption Required by RCW 90.58.080(4); Councilmember Weathers seconded. Motion carried.

Councilmember Weathers moved to approve the updated Exhibit A of Salary Resolution 11102022 creating a salary scale for the Meter Reader Position; Councilmember Zorica seconded. Motion carried.

BILLS & PAYROLL:

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


CLAIMS CHECKS 65890-65914	\$20,966.27
CLAIMS EFT 09/27/2023 Run 1-5	\$3,653.14
PAYROLL EFTS 1504-1512 & DIRECT DEPOSIT 09/20/2023	\$75,272.69

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 PM.

Attest: 

Nickole North, MMC, CPFA
Clerk/Treasurer

By: 

Keith Campbell
Mayor