

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN
CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE
SPECIAL CALLED SESSION
JANUARY 2, 2015**

January 2, 2015

The City of Newport Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in the Newport City Hall Council Chambers on Tuesday, January 2, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. in Special Called Session.

Mayor Connie Ball led the invocation. Chief of Police Maurice Shults led the Pledge to the Flag.

The following officials were present: Mayor Connie Ball, Alderman Jeff Fancher, Alderman Roger Gribble, Alderman Mike Hansel, Alderman Bobby Knight, Alderman Mike Proffitt, City Administrator James Finchum, and City Attorney Terry Hurst.

Mayor Ball declared a Quorum.

New Business

Appointment of Board Newport Utilities

Consideration of temporary appointment to the Newport Utilities Board to replace 3 positions as follows: John Bugg, Bill Costner, and Kenny Morgan whose term ran out along with leaving the City Council. Mayor Ball nominated Alderman Roger Gribble, Alderman Mike Proffitt, and Alderman Jeff Fancher to temporarily serve on the Newport Utilities Board until the City Council appoints 3 members. Resumes have been sent in to City Hall for these 3 positions. The deadline for resumes is January 2, 2015 at noon.

Motion was made by Alderman Knight and second by Alderman Proffitt to approve the temporary appointment to the Newport Utilities Board Alderman Roger Gribble, Alderman Mike Proffitt, and Alderman Jeff Fancher.

All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.

Appointment of Vice Mayor

Consideration of approval of appointment of Vice Mayor to City Council. Mayor Ball stated the Vice Mayor position is usually the highest votes but it is not in writing. Mayor Ball nominated Mike Proffitt for Vice Mayor.

Motion by Alderman Gribble and second by Alderman Fancher the approval on Mike Proffitt as Vice Mayor.

All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor & Alderman, **motion by Alderman Hansel, second by Alderman Gribble** to adjourn.

All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.

Mayor Connie Ball

James Finchum, City Administrator

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