

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN
CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE
REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 11, 2017**

Public Hearing

Vice Mayor Mike Proffitt opened the public hearing for discussion on Ordinance #2017-03 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 11 One And Two Family Dwelling Code and Adopting the 2012 International Residential Code. There was no one to comment.

Discussion of Ordinance #2017-04 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 5 Housing Code and Adopting the 2012 International Property Maintenance Code. There was no one to comment.

Discussion of Ordinance #2017-05 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 10 Existing Buildings Code and Adopting the 2012 International Existing Buildings Code. There was no one to comment.

Discussion of Ordinance #2017-06 Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Newport From R-1 Low Density Residential To R-2 Medium Density Residential. Vice Mayor Proffitt asked to postpone this ordinance to the May 2017 meeting due to absent Mayor Ball and Alderman Knight.

Vice Mayor Proffitt closed the Public Hearing.

April 11, 2017

The City of Newport Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in the Newport City Hall Council Chambers on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session.

Rev. Alvin Watts led the invocation. Alderman Jeff Fancher led the Pledge to the Flag.

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

The following officials were absent: Mayor Connie Ball and Alderman Bobby Knight.

Vice Mayor Proffitt declared a Quorum.

Minutes

March 14, 2017 Regular Session

Motion by Alderman Fancher and second by Alderman Hansel for minutes of the March 14, 2017 Regular Session to be approved as submitted.

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

Proclamations and/or Recognition of Citizens

Alderman Jeff Fancher presented William Levi Erby with a Proclamation for his achievements with Eagle Scouts. Vice Mayor Proffitt recognized Mike Wester, Tiffany Smelcer, Allison Ball, Bethany Williams and Lexi Lowery for their basketball achievements. Alderman Mike Hansel presented Cocke County Emergency Communications District with a proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

Communications from the City Administrator

City Administrator James Finchum reported the TML Conference June 10-13th has a conflict with the City Council June meeting. Mr. Finchum asked the Board if they would like to move the meeting to another date. After much discussion, the Board agreed to leave the June meeting as is.

Mr. Finchum reported the budget packets were handed out for the Board to review for the budget workshop next Tuesday. Mr. Finchum reported Mayor Ball has requested a study at the red light at Brocks for a turn signal as you come in town. Mr. Finchum reported Alderman Gribble requested information on the distillery and drugs stats. This information was in the City Council notebooks.

Old Business

2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-03 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 11 One And Two Family Dwelling Code and Adopting the 2012 International Residential Code

Consideration of 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-03 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 11 One And Two Family Dwelling Code and Adopting the 2012 International Residential Code.

Motion was made by Alderman Fancher and second by Alderman Gribble to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-03 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 11 One and Two Family Dwelling Code and Adopting the 2012 International Residential Code.

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-04 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 5 Housing Code and Adopting the 2012 International Property Maintenance Code

Consideration of 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-04 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 5 Housing Code and Adopting the 2012 International Property Maintenance Code .

Motion was made by Alderman Fancher and second by Alderman Hansel to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-04 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 5 Housing Code and Adopting the 2012 International Property Maintenance Code.

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-05 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 10 Existing Buildings Code and Adopting the 2012 International Existing Buildings Code

Consideration of 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-05 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 10 Existing Buildings Code and Adopting the 2012 International Existing Buildings Code.

Motion was made by Alderman Fancher and second by Alderman Gribble to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2017-05 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 12 Building, Utility, Etc. Codes, Chapter 10 Existing Buildings Code and Adopting the 2012 International Existing Buildings Code.

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

New Business

Request of Access of Accumulated Sick Time

Consideration of request of access accumulated sick time from James Ottinger employee at the Street Department.

Motion was made by Alderman Gribble and second by Alderman Fancher to approve request of access accumulated sick time from James Ottinger employee at the Street Department.

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

Renewal of Paving Contract for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

Consideration of renewal of paving contract for fiscal year 2017-2018. Last year's contract had a clause stating the option to extend the bid for another year.

Motion was made by Alderman Gribble and second by Alderman Hansel to approve the renewal of paving contract for fiscal year 2017-2018 with Newport Paving and Ready Mix.

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

Downtown Master Plan

Discussion of the Downtown Master Plan for the City of Newport. Planner Gary Carver stated this was a draft for the Board to review and get back with him for adopting a downtown master plan.

No Action was taken.

Bids

Banking Services for the City of Newport with Resolution #2017-06 Authorizing Signature Cards by the Board and Resolution #2017-07 Authorizing Signature Cards for the Chief of Police

Consideration of banking services for the City of Newport. There were 2 bids; US Bank and Newport Federal Bank. Finance Director Tina Matthews recommended Newport Federal Bank.

Motion was made by Alderman Hansel and second by Alderman Fancher to approve the bid from Newport Federal Bank for the banking services for the City of Newport and Resolution #2017-06 Authorizing Signature Cards by the Board and Resolution #2017-07 Authorizing Signature Cards for the Chief of Police.

Roll Call

Alderman Fancher	AYE
Alderman Gribble	AYE
Alderman Hansel	AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt	AYE

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

Towing and Storage of Vehicles Seized by the Newport Police Department

Consideration of bids for towing and storage of vehicles seized by the Newport Police Department. The bids submitted is as follows: Supreme Towing \$105; Newport Raceway \$44; Malones \$165; Evans Towing \$165; and Hartford Towing \$165. Chief of Police Maurice Shults recommendation Newport Raceway.

Motion was made by Alderman Fancher and second by Alderman Gribble to approve the bid from Newport Raceway for towing and storage of vehicles by the Newport Police Department.

Roll Call

Alderman Fancher	AYE
Alderman Gribble	AYE
Alderman Hansel	AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt	AYE

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

2 Large Trash Units for the Street Department

Consideration of bids for 2 large trash units for the Street Department. State bid for 2017 Fleet/Non-Retail GMC Sierra \$50,085 each.

Motion was made by Alderman Fancher and second by Alderman Hansel to approve the State bid for 2017 Fleet/Non-Retail GMC Sierra \$50,085 each.

Roll Call

Alderman Fancher	AYE
Alderman Gribble	AYE
Alderman Hansel	AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt	AYE

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor & Alderman, a **motion was made by Aldermen Gribble and second by Alderman Fancher** to adjourn.

All Ayes- Vice Mayor Proffitt declared the motion passed and approved.

Mayor Connie Ball

James Finchum, City Administrator

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