

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN
CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE
REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

Public Hearing

Mayor Roland Dykes, III opened the public hearing for 2nd Reading of Ordinance # 2022-01 Budget Amendment for the City of Newport. There was no one to comment.
Mayor Dykes closed the public hearing.

February 8, 2022

The City of Newport Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in the Newport City Hall Council Chambers on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session.

Chief of Police Maurice Shults led the invocation. Alderman Ball led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The following officials were present: Mayor Roland Dykes, III, Vice Mayor Mike Proffitt, Alderman Connie Ball, Alderman Mike Hansel, Alderwoman Louanna Ottinger, Alderman Steve Smith, and City Administrator James Finchum.

The following officials were not present: City Attorney Terry Hurst.

Mayor Dykes declared a Quorum.

Minutes

January 11, 2022 Regular Session

Motion by Alderman Ball and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt, for minutes of the January 11, 2022 Regular Session to be approved as submitted.

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

Communications from the City Administrator

City Administrator James Finchum reported the Covid has surged to level off and drop this week. Mr. Finchum reported all employees are back to work from the Covid.

Mr. Finchum reported of an ambulance meeting that Fire Chief Jeremy Shelton is attending to represent the city's interest. This meeting to review the renewal of the previous contract.

Mr. Finchum introduced intern Cory Haggard to the Board. Mr. Haggard is studying at LMU for a Master's in Public Administration.

Old Business

2nd Reading of Ordinance # 2022-01 Budget Amendment for the City of Newport

Consideration of 2nd Reading of Ordinance # 2022-01 Budget Amendment for the City of Newport.

Motion was made Alderman Smith by and second by Alderman Hansel, to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance # 2022-01 Budget Amendment for the City of Newport.

Roll Call

Alderman Ball	AYE
Alderman Hansel	AYE
Alderwoman Ottinger	AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt	AYE
Alderman Smith	AYE

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

New Business

1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-02 Budget Amendment for Newport Grammar School

Consideration of 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-02 Budget Amendment for Newport Grammar School.

Motion was made Alderwoman Ottinger by and second by Alderman Ball, to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-02 Budget Amendment for Newport Grammar School.

Roll Call

Alderman Ball	AYE
Alderman Hansel	AYE
Alderwoman Ottinger	AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt	AYE
Alderman Smith	AYE

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

1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-03 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 5 Municipal Finance and Taxation, Chapter 3 Purchasing Policy

Consideration of 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-03 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 5 Municipal Finance and Taxation, Chapter 3 Purchasing Policy.

Motion was made Alderman Hansel by and second by Alderman Smith, to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-03 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 5 Municipal Finance and Taxation, Chapter 3 Purchasing Policy.

Roll Call

Alderman Ball AYE
Alderman Hansel AYE
Alderwoman Ottinger AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt AYE
Alderman Smith AYE

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

1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-04 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 5 Municipal Finance and Taxation, Adding Chapter 4 Credit Card Processing Policy

Consideration of 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-04 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 5 Municipal Finance and Taxation, Adding Chapter 4 Credit Card Processing Policy.

Motion was made Alderman Ball by and second by Alderwoman Ottinger, to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-04 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 5 Municipal Finance and Taxation, Adding Chapter 4 Credit Card Processing Policy.

Roll Call

Alderman Ball AYE
Alderman Hansel AYE
Alderwoman Ottinger AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt AYE
Alderman Smith AYE

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

Adding Juneteenth to the City of Newport Employee Holidays

Consideration of adding Juneteenth to the City of Newport employee holidays. Mayor Dykes reported this is an adopted federal holiday and the city adopts federal holidays.

Motion was made Alderwoman Ottinger by and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt, to approve adding Juneteenth to the City of Newport employee holidays.

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

Resolution #2022-01 Authorizing the City of Newport to Apply for the ARC Grant

Consideration of Resolution #2022-01 Authorizing the City of Newport to Apply for the ARC Grant. Appalachian Regional Commission requesting funds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 for a drainage improvement project with the City of Newport responsible for the required local cash match totaling \$128,850.00, bringing to total cost to \$628,850.00.

Motion was made Alderman Hansel by and second by Alderman Smith, to approve Resolution #2022-01 Authorizing the City of Newport to Apply for the ARC Grant.

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

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor & Alderman, **motion was made by Alderman Smith and second by Alderwoman Ottinger** adjourned the meeting.

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

Mayor Roland Dykes, III

James Finchum, City Administrator

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