

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN
CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE
REGULAR SESSION
MAY 10, 2022**

Public Hearing

Mayor Roland Dykes, III opened the public hearing for 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2022-07 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 8 Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 4 Permits, Section 8-401 Permit Required for Engaging in Beer Business, Privilege Tax. There was no one to comment.

Mayor Dykes closed the public hearing.

May 10, 2022

The City of Newport Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in the Newport City Hall Council Chambers on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session.

Chief of Police Maurice Shults led the invocation. City Attorney Terry Hurst 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, Alderwoman Louanna Ottinger, Alderman Steve Smith, City Attorney Terry Hurst, and City Administrator James Finchum.

The following officials were not present: Alderman Mike Hansel.

Mayor Dykes declared a Quorum.

Minutes

April 12, 2022 Regular Session

Motion by Alderman Ball and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt, for minutes of the April 12, 2022 Regular Session to be approved as submitted.

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

Proclamations and/or Recognition of Citizens by the Mayor

Mayor Dykes presented Caroline Robinson with a proclamation for Older America’s Month – May 2022.

Communications from the City Administrator

City Administrator James Finchum reported on a sink hole on Irish Street. Mr. Finchum declared an emergency for the repair. The repair cost was \$8,250 by Brockwell Construction.

Mr. Finchum reports the litter pick up will start back up this year on May 21st.

Mr. Finchum stated he has come to agreement on one property on the corner of Holly and Prospect Street for the White Oak Park project but is still negotiating with another property owner that adjoins the park. Gary Carver has been talking with the owners of property that adjoins the Woodland Park project but has not got a number on it as of today.

Finance Director Tina Matthews stated there was a letter from the Comptroller’s office stating the audit for fiscal year 2021 was not complete due to the Newport Utilities. The Comptroller’s office will not approve the fiscal year 2022 budget until the fiscal year 2021 audit is completed even if the City Council approves the budget at next month’s meeting. If that happens, the City of Newport will have to continue using the 2021 budget.

Old Business

2nd Reading of Ordinance #2022-07 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 8 Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 4 Permits, Section 8-401 Permit Required for Engaging in Beer Business, Privilege Tax

Consideration of 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2022-07 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 8 Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 4 Permits, Section 8-401 Permit Required for Engaging in Beer Business, Privilege Tax.

Motion was made by Alderman Smith and second by Alderwoman Ottinger, to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2022-07 Amending the City of Newport Municipal Code Title 8 Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 4 Permits, Section 8-401 Permit Required for Engaging in Beer Business, Privilege Tax.

Roll Call

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

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

New Business

1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-08 Budget Amendment City of Newport

Consideration of 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-08 Budget Amendment City of Newport.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Ottinger and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt, to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-08 Budget Amendment City of Newport.

Roll Call

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

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

1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-09 Budget Amendment Newport Grammar School

Consideration of 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-09 Budget Amendment Newport Grammar School.

Motion was made by Alderman Ball and second by Alderman Smith, to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-09 Budget Amendment Newport Grammar School.

Roll Call

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

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

1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-10 Budget for the City of Newport Fiscal Year 2022-23

Consideration of 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-10 Budget for the City of Newport Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Motion was made by Alderman Ball and second by Alderwoman Ottinger, to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance #2022-10 Budget for the City of Newport Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Roll Call

Alderman Ball AYE
Alderwoman Ottinger AYE

Alderman Smith AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt AYE

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

Resolution #2022-05 Authorizing the City of Newport to Change the Name of an Inactive Bank Account at Newport Federal Bank to Receive Credit and Debit Card Payments on Court Tickets

Consideration of Resolution #2022-05 Authorizing the City of Newport to Change the Name of an Inactive Bank Account at Newport Federal Bank to Receive Credit and Debit Card Payments on Court Tickets.

Motion was made by Alderman Smith and second by Alderman Ball, to approve Resolution #2022-05 Authorizing the City of Newport to Change the Name of an Inactive Bank Account at Newport Federal Bank to Receive Credit and Debit Card Payments on Court Tickets.

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

Resolution #2022-06 Calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Territory into the City of Newport by Owner Consent and Approving a Plan of Service – Highway 73

Consideration of Resolution #2022-06 Calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Territory into the City of Newport by Owner Consent and Approving a Plan of Service – Highway 73.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Ottinger and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt, to approve Resolution #2022-06 Calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Territory into the City of Newport by Owner Consent and Approving a Plan of Service – Highway 73.

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

Resolution of #2022-07 Calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Territory into the City of Newport by Owner Consent and Approving a Plan of Service – Rankin Road (Woodland Park Property)

Consideration of Resolution of #2022-07 Calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Territory into the City of Newport by Owner Consent and Approving a Plan of Service – Rankin Road (Woodland Park Property).

Motion was made by Alderman Ball and second by Alderman Smith, to approve Resolution of #2022-07 Calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Annexation of Territory into the City of Newport by Owner Consent and Approving a Plan of Service – Rankin Road (Woodland Park Property).

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

Annual State Highway Contract Between the Tennessee Department of Transportation and City of Newport

Consideration of annual State Highway Contract between the Tennessee Department of Transportation and City of Newport.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Ottinger and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt, to approve annual State Highway Contract between the Tennessee Department of Transportation and City of Newport.

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

Hiring a Fire Fighter for the Newport Fire Department

Consideration of hiring a Fire Fighter for the Newport Fire Department. Fire Chief Jeremy Shelton stated Steven Payne was the number one candidate on the firefighter list.

Motion was made by Alderman Smith and second by Alderman Ball, to approve hiring Steven Payne as Fire Fighter for the Newport Fire Department.

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

Bids

Used Tractor for Parks & Recreation

Consideration of bids for a Used Tractor for Parks & Recreation. There was only one bid received by Custom Iron for a used 2013 Kubota for \$15,000 will accept trade in for \$2,000 for a total cost of \$13,000.

Motion was made by Alderman Smith and second by Alderman Ball, to approve bid received by Custom Iron for a used 2013 Kubota for \$15,000 will accept trade in for \$2,000 for a total cost of \$13,000.

Roll Call

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

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

Pickup Truck for the Fire Department

Consideration of bids for a pickup truck for the Fire Department. Fire Chief Shults has requested to purchase a 2022 Ford F150 pickup for \$34,000. This is to replace the 2005 Ford Expedition for the training vehicle. This is a state bid from Ford of Murfreesboro.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Ottinger and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt, to approve bid a 2022 Ford F150 pickup in the amount of \$34,000 from Ford of Murfreesboro.

Roll Call

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

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

Flock Camera’s for the Police Department

Consideration of bids for four Flock Camera’s for the Police Department in the total amount of \$11,400.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Proffitt and second by Alderman Ottinger, to approve bid for four Flock Camera’s for the Police Department in the total amount of \$11,400.

Roll Call

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

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

Plumbing Repairs for the Police Department

Consideration of bids for plumbing repairs for the Police Department. There was only one bid from Airtech Service Company Inc. of Powell, Tennessee for a total amount of \$12,000.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Ottinger and second by Alderman Smith, to approve bid from Airtech Service Company Inc. of Powell, Tennessee for a total amount of \$12,000.

Roll Call

Alderman Ball AYE
Alderwoman Ottinger AYE

Alderman Smith AYE
Vice Mayor Proffitt AYE

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 Vice Mayor Proffitt 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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