

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2021, 6:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The City Council of Newton, Iowa met in regular session at 6:00 P.M. on the above date via an electronic meeting (pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8) because a meeting in person is impossible or impractical due to concerns for the health and safety of council members, staff, and the public due to COVID-19. Mayor Pro Tem Hallam presided. Present Council Members: Hallam, Stonner, George, Ervin, Trotter, Mullan. Absent: None.

Mayor Pro Tem Hallam asked everyone present to join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

The State of the City Address will be moved to the February 1, 2021 council meeting when Mayor Hansen can present.

There was no citizen participation.

Moved by Stonner, seconded by Mullan to approve consent agenda items 4-17.

4. January 04, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
5. January 04, 2021 Budget Workshop Minutes
6. Approve Liquor Licenses for the following: Cardinal Lanes, Renewal, LC0046516, 1300 S 5th Ave E, Class C Liquor License (LC) (Commercial), Sunday Sales, pending directors' approval; American Legion Post No. 111, Renewal, LC0018906, 1101 W 4th St S, Class C Liquor License (LC) (Commercial), Outdoor Service, Sunday Sales, pending directors' approval; New Star Mart, Renewal, LE0002579, 702 1st Ave E, Class E Liquor License (LE), Class B Wine Permit (Carryout Beer), Sunday Sales, pending directors' approval.
7. Resolution appointing Jane Johnson to the City of Newton Planning and Zoning Commission for an unexpired term ending December 31, 2023. Resolution 2021-007 adopted.
8. Resolution voluntarily extending Emergency Paid Sick Leave for city employees in conjunction with federal coronavirus related legislation-Families First Coronavirus Response Act. Resolution 2021-008 adopted.
9. Resolution accepting completion of the PW Office building #18 tenant improvements. Resolution 2021-009 adopted.
10. Resolution awarding contract for the 2021 Highway and Symbol Painting Project. Resolution 2021-010 adopted.
11. Resolution approving a Telecommunications Licensing Agreement with Windstream Iowa Communications, LLC – 2125 W 20th St S. Resolution 2021-011 adopted.
12. Resolution accepting completion of the 2020 Tree Removal Project No. 6 – Newton Parks Misc. Resolution 2021-012 adopted.
13. Resolution approving change order #1 for the Iowa Speedway Drive Restoration Project (400-1400 Blocks). Resolution 2021-013 adopted.
14. Resolution approving change order #2 for the 1st Ave E (Hwy 6) HMA Resurfacing Project. Resolution 2021-014 adopted.
15. Resolution setting a public hearing and inviting proposals for the sale of property at 602 East 13th Street North. Resolution 2021-015 adopted.
16. Resolution Adjusting the Fee Schedule for the Newton Fire Department Ambulance Service. Resolution 2021-016 adopted.
17. Approve Bills

AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Consent agenda items approved.

Moved by Ervin, seconded by George, to approve the first consideration of an Ordinance amending the City of Newton Code of Ordinances, Title XV, Chapter 150, Electrical Code for the City of Newton. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. First consideration passed.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by Stonner to adopt a Resolution authorizing economic development forgivable loan agreement with Cindy Rogers-Sell. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-017 adopted.

Moved by George, seconded by Trotter to adopt a Resolution authorizing economic development forgivable loan agreement with CRH Properties, LLC. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-018 adopted.

Moved by Stonner, seconded by Ervin to adopt a Resolution expressing intent to provide economic development support to Hopkins Properties LLC. AYES: Six. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-019 adopted.

During Mayor/Council comments Ervin stated that it was nice to see new business in the downtown.

Moved by Stonner, seconded by Mullan to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 P.M. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.

Michael L. Hansen, Mayor

Katrina Davis, City Clerk