

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 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 in the Council Chambers at 101 West 4th Street South and 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, George, Ervin, Trotter, Mullan. Absent: Stonner.

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

During citizen participation, Jon Dunwell, 912 S 11th Ave W, stated that he looks forward to working with and for the City of Newton in his new position in Iowa House District 29. Bev Price, 1600 W 28th St N, spoke in favor of consent item 10, the study of local housing development standards and to review recommendations from the citizen formed housing committee.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by George to approve consent agenda items 3-11.

3. October 04, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
4. October 11, 2021 Goal Setting Workshop Minutes
5. Approve Liquor Licences for: Your Private Bar, 5 -Day License Wedding 10/22/21, Alta House Event Center, 1600 E 36th St S, License Number TBD, Class C Liquor License; Pit Stop Liquors, Renewal, LE0002050, 1324 1st Ave E, Class E Liquor License, Sunday Sales; Capitol II Theatre, Renewal, WCN000220, 116 1st St N, Class C Native Wine Permit, Living Quarters, Sunday Sales; Alta House Event Center, New, License No TBD, 1600 E 36th St S, Class C Liquor License, Sunday Sales, Outdoor Service; Love's Travel Stop #361, Renewal, BC0029110, 4400 S 22nd Ave E, Class C Beer Permit, Class B Wine Permit, Sunday Sales; Shop N Save, Renewal, LE0003589, 404 S 11th Ave W, Class E Liquor License, Class B Wine Permit, Class C Beer Permit, Sunday Sales
6. Resolution Fixing the Amounts to be assessed against individual private properties for the abatement of nuisance violations (Schedule No. 21-08). Resolution 2021-263 adopted.
7. Resolution approving agreement with the property owner of 1307 W 4th St S for non-standard improvements in the City right-of-way. Resolution 2021-264 adopted.
8. Resolution awarding contract for the Demolition 2021-03 Project. Resolution 2021-265 adopted.
9. Resolution Setting a Date of Meeting at which it is proposed to approve a Development Agreement with Nehring Auto Inc., Including Annual Appropriation Tax Increment Payments. Resolution 2021-266 adopted.
10. Resolution directing the Planning and Zoning Commission to study local housing development standards and review recommendations from a citizen formed housing committee. Resolution 2021-267 adopted.
11. Approve Bills

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

It was moved by Ervin, seconded by Trotter to postpone the 3 ordinances, items 12-14 to a later meeting when the full council is available to discuss:

12. Third Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title VII, Chapter 70, Section 70.15, "Traffic and Parking Schedules Adopted by Reference", to make changes to street parking in the 600-700 blk. of E 15th St S. (Council Report 21-250)
13. Third Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title VII, Chapter 70, Section 70.15, "Traffic and Parking Schedules Adopted by Reference", to make changes to street parking in the 600-700 blk. of E 14th St S. (Council Report 21-251)
14. Second Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title IX, Chapter 94: Public Nuisances, Revisions and/or additions related to outside parking and storage of vehicles and trailers on residential property. (Council Report 21-253)

AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Motion passed.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by Mullan to adopt the Resolution approving a reimbursable agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for costs related to the adjustment and reinstatement of the FAA's Runway End 14 visual approach slope indicators (VASI) to accommodate construction of the Newton Airport Taxiway Relocation Project. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-268 adopted.

Moved by Ervin, seconded by Trotter to adopt the Resolution approving an Exclusive Electric Vehicle Charging Services Agreement with Blink Network, LLC. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-269 adopted.

Moved by George, seconded by Trotter to adopt the Resolution accepting a grant from the Iowa Homeland Security Grant Program and awarding the purchase of a FTIR Chemical Analyzer. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-270 adopted.

Moved by George, seconded by Ervin to adopt Resolution Approving Storm Sewer Agreement with Vernon Company. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-271 adopted.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by Mullan to adopt Resolution adopting the 2021 - 2023 Council Goals for the City of Newton. AYES: Five. NAYS: None. Resolution 2021-272 adopted.

Fire Chief Jarrod Wellik presented the Fire Department Annual Report including calls for services, Covid update, and the staffing issues.

During Mayor/Council comments George indicated that we need to re-address downtown parking during a snow occurrence and back in parking. Mullan asked for clarification on ADA sidewalk ramps. Community Services Director, Brian Laube indicated that if any construction is done to the road then ADA ramps are required. Ervin indicated that Friday night was the last football game of the year.

Moved by Trotter, seconded by Mullan to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M. Motion unanimously carried by voice vote.

Michael L. Hansen, Mayor

Katrina Davis, City Clerk