

Minutes  
 City of Newhall  
 City Council Regular Meeting  
 April 28, 2022 – 7:00 PM

Mayor Boddicker opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM.

**Roll Call: Council Present:** Campbell, Cross, Wendel, Seeck

**Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Wendel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Campbell approving the agenda, all aye, motion carried.

**Department Reports:**

**Public Works:** Clean up at Johnson Creek occurred; locks switched at concession stand; battery replaced in cub cadet and power grater; playground at main park will be done this week; G&H completed wiring at the concession stand; board will be added to back of backsplash so no space between wall; trim done around air conditioner.

**Mayor:** Solar panel storage from sewer plant issue was resolved, a small overhead door was opening and additional heat was escaping, door has been secured. HR Green is available May 2-5 to come out and present the mapping software/project to the new council members and anyone that would like a refresher – date needs to be decided on. Fence ordinance needs to be reviewed, 2 different sets of neighbors are requesting to have their fences meet up in their backyards, current code requires these homeowners to meet with the board of adjustments with a fee, needs to be added to the next agenda. Rinderknecht Construction will be here this week weather pending for the dugouts, concession stand roof and west park pavilion.

**City Clerk:** List of homeowners were sent to our attorney for code violations, attorney will send out letters and fines; HR Green replied that stormwater areas on main street are not designed without some type of plants in them. If we decide to replace, they have a list of non-invasive plants that don't require watering, are resilient to drought and grow in sandy soil mix. Prairie Road Builders quote was distributed and council was asked to drive around and check out their recommendations.

**Fire:** Siren repair is waiting on a part; it will be fixed when they are in the area.

**Council:** Placement of stop sign at the top of Main Street was discussed. Adding an additional stop sign to the pole at the top of main was also discussed.

**Parks:** Boys first home game is May 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Zoning:** Replaced deck at 205 A Avenue; shed at the end of Railroad Street is coming down.

**Landfill:** Purchasing a new stainless steel tank for tank truck.

**Consent Agenda and Bill Consent:** Motion by Campbell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Seeck to approve the minutes from April 11, 2022, and bills totaling \$6,930.07, all present aye, motion carried.

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Alliant Energy	City - Electric and Gas	\$279.03
B C Solid Waste	Garbage/Recycling - Gate Fee	\$1,259.02
Baker and Taylor	Library - Books	\$383.06
Carpet Pros	Pavilion - Floor cleaning and sealing	\$656.98
Demco	Library - Supplies	\$123.04
Gazette	City - Publication	\$266.04
Hach Company	Water - Testing Supplies	\$353.74
Int'l Inst of Mun Clerks	City - Dues	\$200.00
Linn Co-op	City - Seed Sun, Cornerstone, Fluid	\$955.69

Menards	Storm - Cabinets and hardware	\$1,911.66
New Century FS	City - Fuel	\$45.23
Quill	Library - Supplies	\$174.00
Readers Digest	Library - Subscription	\$30.00
Shellsburg Rec	Parks - League Fees	\$80.00
US Cellular	City - Cell Service	\$212.58
		\$6,930.07

**Council Action:**

1. Fences for 506 5<sup>th</sup> Street E, and 507 4<sup>th</sup> Street E was tabled.
2. Motion by Cross, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendel denying credit to 205 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue's children for no usage from their mom's home, but minimum charge for 10 months was billed, all aye, motion carried.
3. Motion by Wendel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cross to accept the quote for \$43,846.05, phase 2 of project on east side of town with adding an item that restoring landscaping to the way it was when they started the project, all aye, motion carried.
4. Motion by Seeck, 2<sup>nd</sup> to Wendel, all present aye approving the Newhall Fire Department EMS Branch Bylaws, motion carried.
5. Motion by Cross, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Campbell, all aye to remove embargo between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, motion carried.
6. Fence on 403 1<sup>st</sup> Street was tabled.
7. Motion by Seeck, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cross to move an additional \$50,000 to a 36-month CD, Wendel, Campbell were no, motion failed.
8. Motion by Seeck, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cross approving health care costs and/or water projects for the ARPA funds received, all aye, motion carried.

**Adjournment:** At 8:31 PM, Seeck moved to adjourn, Wendel 2nd, all present aye motion carried.

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Doug Boddicker – Mayor

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Keri Touro – City Clerk