

**Minutes  
City of Newhall  
City Council Regular Meeting  
August 28, 2017 – 7:00 PM**

Mayor Mattson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council members present: Gessner, Boddicker, Much, Rinderknecht, and Carolan were present.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Boddicker 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carolan all present aye, motion carried.

Public Forum – 1<sup>st</sup> Street/4<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Tree’s that run into the road. Bill has talked to them and we sent them a letter regarding trimming. Also light on Main Street – is there a hood that can make the light go out rather than up to light up the street more. Dollar General – Who will do all the inspections; plumbing, heating and cooling, electrical; we will have someone or Dollar General will have their own. Houses are cleaning up in town. Don Anders asked about corners in town. Corners are the homeowner’s responsibility.

**Department Reports:**

**Public Works:** Water tower is clean, water is up and running, full pressure. Water treatment classes are progressing. October he will begin wastewater training.

**Mayor:** HRGreen will be here on Wednesday at 9:00 AM with Bushman to go over the action items for Main Street.

**City Clerk:** Resolution 092820151 will take effect this month with an increase of 12.7% to the sewer rate and \$2.22 to the Debt Recovery. The 12.7% is the last large increase that was put in place to offset the sewer debt for the new sewer plant.

**Council:** Doug Boddicker asked what the DNR had to say about the bump-outs. Mayor Mattson shared that the DNR was satisfied on all except the one that is having issues – she inquired what would be done to fix.

**Library:** Air conditioner is done, hand rails should be installed soon, gutters are done, outside paint is done, inside painting will be completed on 8/29, Dennis Scheer needs to get equipment removed, carpet sample looked for to place upstairs so dust is not tracked down to carpet. Do we need to fence off the construction area after the library opens? When firm date is established the library will be closed down for a short time.

**Fire:** Slab of cement will be put in for extra parking – west of the building (20x20). Also wondering if road can be widened beside fire station. We will discuss next year when road maintenance is discussed. This would assist in plowing and parking.

**Parks:** Seasons are all over. This weekend cleaning will take place in the concession stand for maintenance to occur in there after damage. Mart will contact Keri at City Hall for her to contact Janss or Stark to give estimate on the repair. Tennis courts are really bad. Replacement or removal needs to be discussed in the future. Parks received \$400 from Grovert’s for the rec program.

**Consent Agenda and Bill Consent:** Motion by Much, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gessner to approve the minutes from August 14, 2016, and bills totaling 20,264.53, all present aye, motion carried.

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
ALTORFER	CITY - PARTS (REGULATOR)	\$11.57
ALTORFER	CITY - BOLT, CONNECTOR	\$54.96
AMAZON	LIBRARY - VIDEO	\$254.37
BAKER AND TAYLOR	LIBRARY - SUPPLIES	\$170.85
BENTON CO SOLID WASTE	GATE FEE 6/22 - 7/13	\$907.50
BENTON CO SOLID WASTE	GATE FEE 7/20 - 8/17	\$1,439.50
BENTON CO SOLID WASTE	PER CAPITA 1ST QTR	\$6,118.00
BILLS BROTHERS	TABLE, 6 CHAIRS, 3 SMALLER TABLES	\$739.96
BOUNDTREE	FIRST RESP - SUPPLIES	\$126.62
CONSUMER REPORTS	LIBRARY - SUBSCRIPTION	\$29.00
COUNTRY FLOORS	LIBRARY - BALANCE ON CARPET	\$154.16
EZ TRASH SOLUTIONS	CITY - GARBAGE AND RECYCLING	\$4,450.06

G&H	PAVILION - AIR COND (INSURANCE)	\$3,489.00
GESSNER AUTO SERVICE	CITY - 2000 PICKUP	\$105.82
GESSNER AUTO SERVICE	GENERATOR - BROKEN THERM	\$50.00
MAHAN, JEREMY	FIRE - TRIP TO VINTON	\$17.28
PJ'S VAC	LIBRARY - VACUUM CLEANER	\$239.50
SEBASTIAN, RITA	PAVILION - CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$13.26
SPENCER PAINTING	WATER PLANT PAINTING	\$1,500.00
VIAL, NICHOLAS	WATER - TRAINING MILEAGE	\$393.12
		\$20,264.53

**Council Action:**

1. Grovert Building – Tharp was contacted regarding a digital sign and a sign for the new library. He is sending a quote. City Hall portion: Chuck Stark can start in 2 ½ weeks and Atkins Lumber was over to discuss truss size. Mayor will check on square footage on 8/28.
2. Zoning Permits – citizens are inquiring if they can put junk and vehicles on city property like Rich's of Newhall. They also complained about the oil spill on the street and the smell of the building to residents that live nearby. A letter will go to him regarding moving the vehicles off of city property. Motion by Rinderknecht, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Much, all present aye, motion carried. A fence has started construction on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street that is not compliant with fence requirements. A change to city ordinance will be added to the next agenda regarding fences and buildings – lot line placement, required sizes, diagrams of project, building fence having an additional charge to pay for radio read for water meter, and more.

**Adjournment:** At 8:40 p.m. Carolan moved to adjourn, Rinderknecht seconded, all present ayes, motion carried.

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Jan Mattson – Mayor

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Keri Touro – City Clerk