

**Minutes  
City of Newhall  
City Council Regular Meeting  
February 23, 2016 – 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 Rinderknecht, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Much to approve the agenda. All present aye, motion carried.

**Department Reports:**

**Public Works:**

**Mayor** – Old part of Grovert Building has been taken down. Now we need to work together to look at ways to pay for it.

**Council** – Much spoke to resident of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue – he is removing one of the trees that is growing out to the street.

**City Clerk:** Mike Burkhart would like to know if he can have some of the smaller bricks that will be or are lying around down at the Grovert Building. While cleaning old cabinet, behind some old boxes, another 20 books of “1882-1982 The First Hundred Years” were found. Half of the books will be taken down to the library for purchase, the other half will remain at City Hall. Price for the books is \$20. Power outage occurred from winds on Friday that shut down the computer and locked me out. Thank you to Doug Boddicker for coming in on Saturday twice to assist with getting it back in working condition. Fortunately no files were lost.

**Parks:** Central Lutheran will not be using our fields this summer. We will be have tournaments starting April 16<sup>th</sup> at the field. Registration for spring/summer ball is March 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30 in the City Hall Community Room

**Consent Agenda and Bill Consent:** Motion by Boddicker, seconded by Carolan to approve the minutes from February 8, 2016 council meeting and bills totaling \$14,668.42. All present aye, motion carried.

| VENDOR                      | DESCRIPTION                             | AMOUNT     |
|-----------------------------|---|------------|
| BAKER AND TAYLOR            | LIBRARY - BOOKS                         | \$137.54   |
| CUSTOM HOSE                 | BRASS COMP SLEEVE, NUT, BRAKE LINE      | \$5.08     |
| EAGLE ENGRAVING             | FIRE - ID TAGS                          | \$39.20    |
| ERMEGENCY SERVICES          | FIRE - ANNUAL FEE AND SETUP             | \$350.00   |
| FASTENAL                    | FIRE - BATTERIES                        | \$68.39    |
| FELD FIRE                   | FIRE - BUNKER GEAR X 2                  | \$3,333.00 |
| FIRE ENGINEERING            | FIRE - ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL      | \$29.00    |
| FURLER UTILITY SERVICES     | WATER - CHEMICALS AND PROFESSIONAL FEES | \$1,024.01 |
| GAZETTE                     | CITY - MINUTES PUBLICATIONS             | \$71.07    |
| GESSNER AUTO SERVICES       | FIRE - RESCUE TRUCK OIL FILTER AND OIL  | \$78.48    |
| HRGREEN                     | STREETS - MAIN STREET PROFESSIONAL SERV | \$255.00   |
| IOWA ASSOC OF MUN UTILITIES | WATER - IAMU WATER MEMBER DUES          | \$510.90   |
| J&R GARBAGE HAULING         | CITY - GARBAGE AND RECYCLING            | \$3,315.00 |
| MAHAN, JEREMY               | FIRE - ALL PURPOSE POUR LOTION          | \$11.92    |
| MENARDS                     | SHOP - PIPE COMPOUND                    | \$3.69     |

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| MIDWEST BREATHING AIR LLC | FIRE - MAIN OF BREATHING AIR COMPRESSOR    | \$501.55    |
| NEWHALL FIRST STOP        | STREETS - CITY FUEL                        | \$391.75    |
| NEWHALL FIRST STOP        | PARKS - CONCESSIONS FROM SUMMER 2015       | \$2,032.54  |
| NEWHALL FIRST STOP        | PARKS - FUEL                               | \$69.81     |
| P&K MIDWEST               | 1420 - 2 CAP SCREWS/2 SPINDLES (SEPT 2015) | \$330.28    |
| PERSONAL CONCEPTS         | CITY - REQUIRED FEDERAL POSTINGS/POSTERS   | \$234.24    |
| RABE HARDWARE             | CITY HALL - SEWER/PLUMBING REPAIR          | \$225.00    |
| REIF, JAMIE               | WATER - METER DEPOSIT REFUND               | \$28.10     |
| THIS OLD HOUSE            | LIBRARY - SUBSCRIPTIONS                    | \$20.00     |
| US CELLULAR               | CITY - CELL SERVICE                        | \$98.93     |
| VAN HORNE FIRE DEPARTMENT | FIRE - TRAINING MANUAL                     | \$100.00    |
| VAN HORNE FIRE DEPARTMENT | FIRE - HELMETS                             | \$300.00    |
| VISA                      | LIBRARY - COMPUTER                         | \$953.99    |
| VISA                      | LIBRARY - SUPPLIES                         | \$24.95     |
| WERNING, DANIEL           | WATER - METER DEPOSIT REFUND               | \$125.00    |
|                           |  | \$14,668.42 |

### Council Action:

- a. HRGreen – Downtown Streetscape Project Change Order #3. Several changes including Phase 1 completion being March 17, 2016; Phase 2 completion date changed to June 21; 2016; Bump outs need to be a few feet shorter, HRGreen will confirm that can occur without changing the flow requirements; increase on cold water concrete from contractor; other changes are available to be read at City Hall. Motion by Boddicker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rinderknecht, to approve increase of \$6356 which excludes approving number 7 (cold-weather concrete - new lump sum item of \$5,581) all present aye, motion carried.
- b. Prairie Road Builders Contract for 2016. Motion by Gessner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Much, all present aye, motion carried.
- c. Appointment of William Much as Pro-Tem for 2016 -2017 term. Position was accepted by William Much.
- d. Insurance increase for Bruce Cross insurance. Going from \$143.00 to \$175.00. Motion by Much, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carolan, all present aye, motion carried.
- e. Anderson Insurance proposal from February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. At previous meeting the council asked two questions. If a building is destroyed in a claim situation, does it have to be rebuilt; answer no. Also, what would be the annual property premium for the city if Well #2's value was decreased from the current value of \$64,921 to \$27,000. With a \$500 deductible, the city would save \$83. A year, with a \$500 deductible, the city would save approximately \$72 a month. It was agreed that we would increase the coverage on 11 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from \$262,500 to \$350,000 (which is approximately \$100 increase annually on premium); it was also agreed to keep the deductible at \$500; and lastly it was agreed that we would lower the value on Pitless well #2 from \$64,921 to \$27,000. Motion by Much, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boddicker, all present aye, motion carried.
- f. Trugreen estimate approval – Waste Water Plant estimate will be at future meeting. Motion by Boddicker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rinderknecht, all present aye, motion carried.
- g. Approval of Trent Claeys to Fire Department and First Responders. Motion by Gessner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carolan, all present aye, motion carried.
- h. Wage Increases for Bruce Cross, Mike Rammelsburg, Alison Mundt, Marcy Childers and Keri Touro. Motion by Rinderknecht, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Much to give all employees 2.5% increase effective July 1, 2016. Roll call: Rinderknecht Yes, Gessner No, Much Yes, Boddicker Yes, Carolan No. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** At 8:04:p.m. Gessner moved to adjourn, Carolan seconded, all present ayes, motion carried.

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Jan Mattson – Mayor

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Keri Touro – City Clerk