

Minutes
City of Newhall
City Council Regular Meeting
Monday, January 13, 2025 – 6:00 PM

Mayor Boddicker opened the regular meeting at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call: Council Present: Messner, Cross, Wendel, Rinderknecht, Seeck

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Rinderknecht, 2nd Cross approving the agenda, all present yes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Public Works: Guys replaced the starter in the red pickup and a leaking gasket in the red dump truck.

Fire: Blew a tire on 729, all tires were replaced; tanker went in the ditch on its way to an accident, no damage.

City Clerk: Rabe Hardware shared that the solar panels generated 340,707 kwh's in 2024, for a savings of \$56,216.

Library: Scrapbooking on Friday in library.

Parks: Benton County Foundation denied grant for field work

Consent Agenda and Bill Consent: Motion by Seeck, 2nd by Messner to approve the minutes from December 23, 2023, and bills totaling \$37,907.77, all present aye, motion carried.

| VENDOR | DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT |
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| Alliant Energy | City - Electric and Gas | \$5,882.77 |
| Atkins Lumber | Water - Keypad and supplies | \$279.25 |
| Aubrey Petersen | Fire - Test reimbursement | \$50.00 |
| Baker and Taylor | Library - Books | \$295.65 |
| Benton Co EMS Assoc. | First Resp - 2025 Dues | \$75.00 |
| Biblionix Apollo | Library - Annual Software Renewal | \$1,320.00 |
| Carquest | Streets - Gasket, func. Oval | \$24.05 |
| Carquest | Streets - Silverado starter | \$269.81 |
| G&H Electric | Sewer - West Lift Station soft start/starter | \$4,404.56 |
| G&H Electric | Streetlights - Main Street pigtails and fuses | \$351.12 |
| Hydrants Unlimited | Water/Sewer - Operator and Supplies | \$1,140.00 |
| Iowa DOT | Snow Removal - Rock and salt | \$5,733.64 |
| John Deere Financial | Shop - Battery and Supplies | \$482.36 |
| Linn Coop | Fire - Fuel | \$358.80 |
| Linn Coop | City - Fuel | \$802.97 |
| Menards | Streets - Supplies | \$132.72 |
| Menards | Streets - Cleaner and towels | \$23.97 |
| Microbac | Water - Professional Fees Drinking Water | \$283.00 |
| Microbac | Water - Drinking water | \$23.50 |
| Municipal Supply | Water - Radio Reads | \$8,750.00 |
| New Century FS | City - Fuel | \$32.03 |
| New Century FS | City - Fuel | \$41.27 |
| New Century FS | City - Fuel | \$45.24 |
| Ollinger Garage Doors | Fire - Repaired Doors | \$383.75 |
| South Slope | City - Internet, phone and cable | \$637.77 |

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| Tami Ketchum | Pavilion - Deposit Refund | \$200.00 |
| Utility Services | Water - Annual Ground Stor/Pedis Fee | \$4,976.87 |
| Visa | Library - supplies, dvd's | \$375.69 |
| Visa | City Hall - Office Supplies, Calendars, adobe, fax forms, office annual fee, Streets - blow gun and oil | \$531.98 |
| TOTAL | | \$37,907.77 |

Council Action:

- A. Motion by Wendel, 2nd by Messner approving changes to the City of Newhall Library Bylaws, with an exception to: The Newhall Library Director will receive 40 hours of vacation not 31 per the City employee handbook, Part-time, Assistant Librarian will not get paid for company holidays, Adding “snowstorm” to section 10, and removing “after 6 months the director is assured employment”, roll call vote Cross, Messner, Wendel, Seeck yes, Rinderknecht no, motion passed.
- B. Motion by Seeck, 2nd by Rinderknecht, all yes motion carried approving Craig Siebels to the Zoning Board of Adjustments for with a term to January 2030.
- C. Motion by Wendel, 2nd by Cross, all yes motion carried approving Steve Spurgeon to the Zoning Board of Adjustments with a term to January 2030.
- D. Motion by Rinderknecht, 2nd by Messner, all yes motion carried approving Dan Moeller to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to January 2030.
- E. Motion by Cross, 2nd by Seeck, all yes motion carried approving Robert Fischer Law Office for 2025.
- F. Motion by Cross, 2nd by Wendel, all yes motion carried approving Doug Boddicker as Zoning Administrator for 2025.
- G. Motion by Seeck, 2nd by Messner, all yes motion carried approving Anderson Insurance as the City insurance company.
- H. Motion by Cross, 2nd by Messner, all yes motion carried for Keri to publish in the window the 2024 gross wages for 2024.
 - 1. Linda Abernathey \$2,050
 - 2. Douglas Boddicker \$2,000
 - 3. Mart Campbell \$300.00
 - 4. Trent Claey's \$61,784.00
 - 5. Marcy Cooksley \$490.63
 - 6. Bruce Cross \$650.00
 - 7. Rachelle Messner \$350.00
 - 8. Scott Myers \$51,441.60
 - 9. Doug Rinderknecht \$575.00
 - 10. Rita Sebastian \$1,155.22
 - 11. Benjamin Seeck \$575.00
 - 12. April Stull \$39,693.89
 - 13. Keri Touro \$57,520.36
 - 14. Douglas Wendel \$650.00
- I. Motion by Wendel, 2nd by Seeck, all yes motion carried approving Rachelle Messner as the council representative for the Benton Development Group.
- J. Motion by Messner, 2nd by Rinderknecht, all yes motion carried approving Bruce Cross as the council representative for the Benton County Landfill.
- K. Motion by Messner, 2nd by Cross, all yes motion carried approving Ben Seeck as the council representative for the Newhall Rec Board.
- L. Motion by Messner, 2nd by Seeck, all yes motion carried setting the date for the budget workshop for Wednesday, January 29th at 1:00 pm at City Hall.

- M. Motion by Wendel, 2nd by Cross, all yes motion carried approving Dixie Rinderknecht and Mel Hartz to the Library Board for a term until January 2031.
- N. Motion by Messner, 2nd by Seeck, all yes motion carried to allow the order of the agenda to change, depending on the attendance of outside people, so they can speak earlier in the meeting, need be.

Adjournment: At 7:04 PM, Seeck moved to adjourn, Messner 2nd, all present aye motion carried.

Doug Boddicker – Mayor

Keri Touro – City Clerk