

Minutes
City of Newhall
City Council Regular Meeting
January 23, 2023 – 6:00 PM

Mayor Boddicker brought the regular meeting to order.

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

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

Department Reports:

Public Works: Two water main breaks happened in the past 2 weeks; hauled in more salt for streets, should have enough for rest of winter; have oil and supplies ready to service mowers and gator; Prairie Road Builders will be here in February.

Mayor: Boddicker asked about quotes for water plant and generator, Lynch replied that G&H is working on it. Cross commented that an electrical engineer may be necessary that we should check with Jared Voegler.

City Clerk: After the budget workshop was completed, Mayor Boddicker and the City Clerk met and discussed the FY24 budget numbers with a more detail. After reviewing the numbers a few changes were made (electric and gas expenditures went down for Alliant due to solar panels, water, sewer and garbage expenditures continue to increase as the revenue stays the same, a few expenditures were not discussed at workshop and added to the worksheet). Keri also spoke with Van Home and ECICOG regarding the residents in town that do not respond to city requests to correct nuisances that continue to be violated-at a cost of \$450 a month for them to take over this issue. Keri shared with the council copies of letters that she feels the city workers should use and start right away early spring. Rinderknecht and Touro will meet on January 30th to start the letter process.

Library – Jeanie Berry was approved by the Library Board for the Library Board, and Carolyn Zillman resigned.

Council: Cross commented about the condo on William Way that has not been completed. Rain and snow melted water, if cap is open, is draining into the sewer. Boddicker will speak with Rinderknecht Construction; Campbell commented that Benton Community Schools will be meeting in Newhall at the pavilion to discuss the March Bond Issue.

Consent Agenda and Bill Consent: Motion by Wendel, 2nd by Rinderknecht to approve the minutes from January 9, 2023, and January 12, 2023, and bills totaling \$25,537.76 all present aye, motion carried.

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Alliant Energy	City -Electric and Gas	\$7,098.12
Benton Co EMS Assoc	First Responders - Annual Dues	\$75.00
Benton Co Solid Waste	Garbage - 3rd Qtr Per Capita	\$5,694.00
Benton Co Solid Waste	Garbage - Tipping Fee 12/27 - 1/19	\$1,559.40
EZ Trash	City - Garbage and Recycling	\$5,653.31
Gazette	City- Publication	\$66.25
Gessner Auto Service	Streets - 2003 Chevy oil filter, oil, air filter	\$106.46
Hawkins, Inc.	Water - Azone and Freight	\$700.74
HR Green	Mapping - Prof Fees through December	\$41.00
Municipal Emergency Serv	Fire - flow tests and repairs	\$1,206.39
National Geographic	Library - Subscription	\$71.02

New Century FS	City - Fuel	\$45.02
Roto-Rooter	Water - Pump/Vac for water main break	\$1,140.00
Sandry Fire Supply	Fire - Supplies	\$1,141.90
US Cellular	City - Cell Service	\$199.95
Wendling Quarries	Streets - Concrete Sand	\$739.20
		\$25,537.76

Council Action:

- a) Motion by Rinderknecht, 2nd by Seeck, all present yes, motion carried approving 2023 Recreation Board officers and members:
 - i. Skyler Childers – President
 - ii. Michael Munson – Vice President
 - iii. Secretary – Tim Touro
 - iv. Treasurer and Council Rep – Mart Campbell
 - v. Members: Wendy Refstie, Andy Voelker, Beth Becker, Jessica Munson
- b) Motion by Campbell, 2nd by Seeck setting Public Hearing for February 13, 2023 at 6:00 PM at City Hall to discuss the FY24 Proposed Property Tax Levy, all present yes, motion carried.
- c) Motion by Seeck, 2nd by Cross approving retail alcohol permit for Dollar General, all present yes, motion carried.
- d) Additional streets due to height of street compared to ditch and sidewalk will be added to the quote for summer street repair quote.

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

Doug Boddicker – Mayor

Keri Touro – City Clerk