

Minutes  
City of Newhall  
City Council Regular Meeting  
JUNE 14, 2021 – 7:00 PM

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

Council members present: Gessner, Boddicker, Campbell, Gardemann, Rinderknecht

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

Department Reports:

**Public Works:** Water main project complete; trees thought to be dying are budding.

**Council:** Acceleration at stop sign in to town and other parts of town seems to be increasing. Look into flashing stop sign or current speed signs.

**Fire/First Responders:** Thank you to all the volunteers at the numerous fire/first responder calls recently.

**Library** – April is on vacation next week, Marcy will be filling in.

Consent Agenda and Bill Consent: Motion by Gessner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Campbell to approve the minutes from May 24, 2021 and bills totaling \$14,771.47 all present aye, motion carried.

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Alliant Energy	City - Electric and Gas Repair 10 5th Avenue	\$824.09
Alliant Energy	City - Electric and Gas	\$6,356.08
Apparatus Testing Service	Fire - Fire pump certification testing	\$611.50
Cedar River Garden Center	Streets - Mulch	\$300.00
Gazette	City - Publications	\$173.06
Hydrants Unlimited	Water/Sewer - Operations and Supplies	\$1,120.00
Iowa League of Cities	City - Annual Membership Dues	\$806.00
John Deere Financial	City - Parts and Supplies	\$139.77
Keystone Labs	Sewer - Wastewater Analysis	\$400.80
Keystone Labs	Water- Tap after Reservoir water analysis	\$17.00
Linn Co-op	City - Fuel	\$258.13
Linn Co-op	Fire - Fuel	\$297.79
Menards	Pavilion - Supplies	\$18.45
New Century FS	City - Fuel	\$25.29
New Century FS	City - Fuel	\$10.31
Plant & Flower Emp	Streets - Bump Outs	\$21.38
Sandry Fire Supply	Fire - Supplies	\$1,017.94
South Slope	City - Internet, Cable, and Phone	\$546.73
Trugreen	Ball fields, City Park, City Hall, West Park	\$1,450.00
US Cellular	City - Cell Service	\$205.39
Visa	Library and City - Buttons, adobe, website	\$171.76
		\$14,771.47

**Council Action:**

- A. Motion by Rinderknecht, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gardemann to approve online classes for the volunteer firemen and EMT's in Newhall for 1 year, will revisit next year, all present aye, motion carried. There are 25 members, 13 are fire and EMT's – cost will be approximately \$83 for each fireman/EMT and \$46 for each fireman.

- B. Motion by Gardemann, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boddicker to accept Pat Butz resignation as Fire Chief prior to the fiscal year 2022 beginning. Interim Chief request is Trent Claeys, all present aye, motion carried.
- C. Rinderknecht suggested that numerous projects need to be looked at and started as soon as possible.
  - i. Water lines updated
  - ii. Ditches
  - iii. Sewer line on RR Street is clean but fire station to west lift station needs work.
  - iv. Newhall Locker pit
  - v. Camera more lines
  - vi. Locate, document, and install additional shutoff valves.
  - vii. Williams Way surfaced
  - viii. 2-3 additional fire hydrants
- D. Motion by Gardemann, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rinderknecht to hold a public hearing to discuss and approve an addition on the water bill to pay for additional projects (PR addition to be decided will be +\$3.00 for residential and +\$5 for commercial customers), all present aye, motion carried.
- E. Motion by Gardemann, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gessner to dissolve the Parks savings account and transfer the funds to the general fund, Rinderknecht, Gessner, Gardemann, Boddicker aye, Campbell no, motion carried.
- F. Motion by Boddicker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rinderknecht, all present aye motion carried to give Trent Claeys-3% raise and an additional \$1.00 an hour in anticipation of his water certification, and Dan Lynch a 3% raise. Motion by Gardemann, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gessner to give Keri Touro a 3% raise, all present aye, motion carried.
- G. Code book tabled
- H. Motion by Rinderknecht, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Boddicker to approve fill dirt to be given to Jesse Cooksley for the north side of her lot where she is doing some culvert work, all present aye, motion carried.

**Adjournment:** At 8:14 p.m. Gardemann moved to adjourn, Gessner seconded, all present aye, motion carried.

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Jan Mattson – Mayor

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Keri Touro – City Clerk