

**Minutes
City of Newhall
City Council Regular Meeting
March 24, 2014 – 5:00 PM**

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

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

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Childers, seconded by Carolan to approve the agenda. All present aye, motion carried.

Consent Agenda and Bill Consent: Motion by Much, seconded by Rinderknecht to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2014 meeting and bills totaling. \$48,029.31. All present aye, motion carried.

EXPENDITURE	DESCRIPTION	AMT
ALLIANT	CITY ELECTRIC AND GAS	\$5,116.57
AMAZON	LIBRARY - DVDS	\$56.15
APPRAISAL ASSOC	CITY - GROVERT BUILDING APPRAISAL FEE	\$1,775.00
BAKER AND TAYLOR	LIBRARY - BOOKS	\$497.25
BENTON CO RECORDER	CITY - GROVERT BUILDING - DEED FEE	\$12.00
BENTON CO TREASURER	CITY - GROVERT BUILDING - TAXES DUE	\$3,490.40
DATA TECH	CITY - SOFTWARE INSTALL COMPLETE	\$4,030.30
FURLER UTILITY SERVICES	WATER - CHEMICALS AND PROF FEES	\$1,025.80
GROVERT MOTOR	CITY - TRUCK LIGHTS AND SIDE STEP	\$1,610.51
HAWKEYE FIRE	CITY - REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR	\$501.94
HRGREEN	SEWER - ENGINEERING FEE PHASE 1	\$29,250.00
JAKE LUND	LIBRARY - SONY BLUE RAY	\$81.31
KOLLMORGEN, SCHLUE...	CITY - GROVERT BUILDING - DEED FEE	\$75.00
MENARDS	CITY - MISC PARTS	\$35.44
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC	LIBRARY - SUBSCRIPTION	\$39.00
POOL TECH	WATER/SEWER - CHEMICALS	\$245.00
QUILL	LIBRARY - MISC	\$2.79
SEBASTIAN, RITA	PAVILION - SUPPLIES	\$21.34
SHELLYS SWEETS	LIBRARY - PRESCHOOL FUNCTION	\$10.00
UPSTART	LIBRARY - MISC	\$54.00
US CELLULAR	CITY - CELL SERVICE	\$99.51
	TOTAL	\$48,029.31

Council Action:

- a. A citizen requested a stop sign be installed on Railroad Street on the east side of town. Motion by Rinderknecht, 2nd by Much to not install any additional stop signs on that street. All present aye, motion carried.
- b. Motion by Gessner and 2nd by Much to add the first reading to the next meeting for a resolution to ordinance 277 stating the council will review the current financial situation of

the city in May of each year prior to automatically increasing the water bills by 4% every July. All present aye, motion carried.

- c. Central Lutheran School submitted a letter recommending that the city parks be smoke and tobacco free. Because of the possibility of rentals to the park pavilion decreasing if this requirement was approved, and the inability to enforce, a motion by Carolan and 2nd by Rinderknecht to not make the park smoke and tobacco free, all present aye, motion carried.
- d. Grovert building title was officially transferred to the City on Monday, March 24, 2014.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- a. Public Works – Several street address signs need to be replaced. Bruce received a quote for approximately \$1500 from Iowa Prison Industries. The insurance company is sending a check for the repairs needed to fix the city truck that was backed in to.
- b. City Clerk – Rita Sebastian got 3 quotes for “blackout” blinds for the Newhall Park Pavilion. Keri will check with Ron Woeste, with the Coop to see if they are still interested in donating them for meetings they conduct in the pavilion. Keri also thanks Doug Boddicker for donating his time to install the new computer at City Hall.
- c. Mayor – Jan has contact several contractors about work that needs to be done at the Grovert building. He will have more information at the next meeting.
- d. Council – Skyler Childers asked that the Fire Department receive a report showing the balance in the new fire truck fund. He also added that Scott Meyers mentioned that water is not draining properly around his house.

Adjournment: At 6:44 p.m. Gessner moved to adjourn, Carolan seconded. All present ayes, motion carried.

JAN MATTSON - Mayor

KERI TOURO – City Clerk