

**Council Minutes
January 21, 2013**

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, January 21, 2013 in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President John Wilson, Aldermen Richard Baraw and Denis Chenette, City Manager John Ward Jr., City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Fire Chief Jamie LeClair, members of the Press and Public. Alderman Tim Delabruere was absent.

Mayor Monette called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes of January 7, 2013

Mr. Baraw moved to approve the minutes of January 7, 2013 as printed. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Approve Certificate of Highway Mileage

Mr. Wilson moved to approve and sign the Certificate of Highway Mileage. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried.

Consider Ordinance Regulating Parking of Motor Vehicles

Mr. Baraw moved to approve the amended ordinance regulating the parking of motor vehicles on certain streets in the city. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Review Fire Department Service Reimbursement Ordinance (attached)

The council reviewed the proposed ordinance. Mr. Ward stated he used examples from the towns of Poultney and Weathersfield. The draft will be sent to the City Attorney for review.

Consider Land Purchase (attached)

The council was not interested in purchasing the parcel of land.

New Business

Mr. Johnson stated that a council meeting would be needed on January 30th or 31st to approve the Annual Warning. The council decided to meet on January 30th at 4:30 PM

Mr. Baraw stated that at the last meeting with Merton Bangmann-Johnson and Frank Knoll. A discussion was held on the costs related to water meters. Mr. Baraw wondered if a letter should be sent. Mr. Ward felt that since no action had been taken and there was no need for a letter to be sent.

Old Business

Mr. Baraw stated that some streets in the City were being excessively sanded, namely Winter and Blake streets. Mr. Johnson stated that Colfax Street was excessively sanded also. Mr. Ward will speak to Mr. Bernier about it.

Mr. Chenette asked how they were coming with the new building at the WWTF and if there were any problems. Mr. Ward stated they were coming along good with no problems.

Mayor Monette provided the council with a copy of the Mayor's Coalition items to work on legislation in Montpelier.

Mayor Monette noted a meeting of House Committee's on Commerce & Development and Transportation along with a member of the House Education committee at the NCUHS Career Center on February 5, 2013 from 12:30 – 2:30 PM.

Next Meeting Date

January 30, 2013 at 4:30 PM.

Executive Session – Personnel

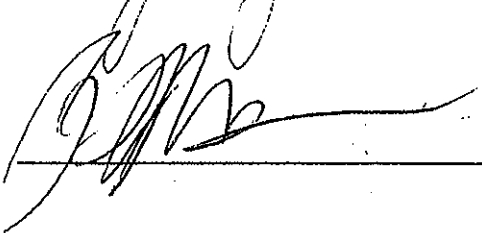
Mr. Baraw moved to enter executive session for personnel. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

No action.

Adjournment

Mr. Chenette moved to adjourn at 7:44 PM. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Attested James D. Adams This 4th Day of February 2013

 Mayor