

## **Council Minutes**

**May 6, 2013**

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, May 6, 2013 in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President John Wilson, Aldermen Richard Baraw, Denis Chenette and Tim Delabruere, City Manager John Ward, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Rhonda Pateneau, Brenda Page, Phil White, James LeClair, Bob Dimatties, Don Hendrich, Perry Thomas, Dinah Yessne members of the Press and Public.

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

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Baraw moved to approve the minutes of April 15, 2013. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried unanimously.

### **Orleans County Record Request for Newspaper Dispenser on Main St.**

Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the request for newspaper dispenser on Main St. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried unanimously.

### **Memphremagog Watershed Association Request Approval for Ecosystem Restoration Grant (attached)**

Mr. Baraw moved to allow the association to proceed with project 1 and a plan for project 2. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried unanimously.

### **Request for Two Picnic Tables on Sidewalk Adjacent to Brenda's Home-style Cooking**

Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the request per Mr. Ward's memo. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried unanimously.

### **Request from Northeast Kingdom Relay for Life for Exemption of the 10:00 PM Noise Ordinance for June 29, 2013**

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the request. Seconded by Mr. Delabruere, motion carried unanimously.

**Umbrella Request for CDBD Application Approval (attached)**

Mr. Chenette moved to approve the request. Seconded by Mr. Delabruere, motion carried unanimously.

**Consider Resolution for VCDP Grant Application Authority**

Mr. Chenette moved to approve the resolution for the VCDP grant application for the Lago project. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion on Memorandum of Understanding Concerning Medical Surge and Mass Care regional Facility Operations Plan (attached)**

Mr. Ward stated the memorandum now states that outstanding bills will now be paid by the surrounding towns in which the disaster occurs not just the City of Newport. Mr. Delabruere moved to have the City Attorney review the memorandum of understanding with attention to tab 6. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried unanimously.

**Consider Proposed Services for Municipal Building Feasibility Study (attached)**

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the feasibility study with Mark Stewart. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried unanimously.

**Request Approval of Water/Sewer Allocation (attached)**

Mr. Chenette and Mr. Wilson asked shouldn't the allocation been addressed before the building was built. Mr. Ward stated it should have but it was missed in the process. Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the allocation. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried. Mr. Chenette abstained from voting.

**Request Permission to Decommission Fuel Tank in City Parking Lot off Central St. (attached)**

Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the decommissioning per the memo with the council getting a copy of the permit. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business**

Mr. White updated the council on Aqua Fest. Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the closing of Main St. on July 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried unanimously.

### New Business

Mr. Baraw moved to approve three Niles Fund requests. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wilson thanked Mr. Bernier for putting up the missing speed limit sign, noted a pothole at Sias and Elm Streets, two yard sale signs near Cumberland Farms that need to come down and noted that Mr. Johansen needs to be told that he will repair and replace the fence at Pomerleau Park.

Mr. Baraw noted that all potholes need to be taken care of especially one that had been previously fixed at the entrance to Sloan St.

Mr. Delabruere noted that there are also sink holes in the city that need to be fixed in particular on the Bluff Rd. and Colfax St.

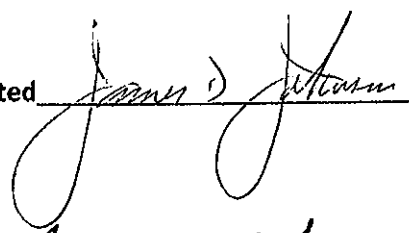
Mr. Ward noted a request from the Native Cultural Society in Newport Center for permission to put up a 3 x 6 foot sign at the bottom of East Main ST. advertising a Craft Show May 17, 18 & 19. Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the request. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried unanimously.

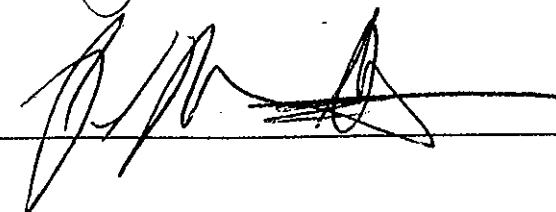
### Next Meeting Date

May 20, 2013

### Adjournment

Mr. Chenette moved to adjourn at 8:47 PM. Seconded by Mr. Baraw, motion carried unanimously.

Attested  This 20<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2013

 Mayor