

Council Minutes

June 17, 2013

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, June 17, 2013 in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President John Wilson, Aldermen Denis Chenette and Tim Delabruere, City Manager John Ward Jr., City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Andy Cappello, James LeClair, Gary Atchinson, Marie George, Tom Bernier, Don Hendrich, Andre Torizzo, members of the Press and Public. Alderman Baraw was absent.

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

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the minutes of June 3, 2013. Seconded by Mr. Delabruere, motion carried.

Consider Approval of Ecosystem Restoration Program Grant Application. (attached)

Mr. Hendrich and Mr. Torizzo were present to explain the program. Mr. Ward felt it was a good program but since the City is obligated to report any problems to the state, his biggest concern was the state hitting us with a fine. Mr. Chenette moved to approve the Ecosystem Restoration Grant Application. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Consider Street Entertainment and Vendor Policy (attached)

Mr. Cappello noted he had modeled the policy after Burlington's Church St. policy. Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the policy with changes to include Prouty Beach and Gardner Park. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Consider Skate Park Construction Proposal (attached)

Mr. Delabruere moved to authorize the Recreation Director to hire Parker Construction to build the Skate Park according to terms in the agreement with the cost of the contractor not to exceed \$40,000. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried.

Consider Vehicle Use Stipend for Chief LeClair (attached)

Mr. Delabruere moved to approve a stipend of \$190 per month per Mr. Ward's proposal. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Water/Sewer Allocation Request for Mark Guyette at 210 East Main St.

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the allocation request with the correct address. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried.

New Business

Ann Charrillo asked about the safety of the labs at the new Bio-Tech facility.

Gary Atchinson thanked the council for naming the tennis courts after him.

Mr. Delabruere moved to approve two Niles Fund requests. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Mr. Delabruere moved to approve the request to remove a dead tree in Gardner Park. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Old Business

Mr. Chenette asked about the developing sink hole at the end of Willey St. Mr. Bernier stated it was going to be fixed soon.

Mr. Delabruere would like to bring the Tennis Wall at Prouty Beach back-up to discuss the wall and who would pay for it. Marie George asked about the process for using the tennis Courts.

Set Next Meeting Date

July 1, 2013 at 7:00 PM.

Executive Session – Union Negotiations

No action taken.

Adjournment

Mr. Chenette moved to adjourn at 8:40 PM. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Attested James S. Johnson This 24th Day of June 2013

[Signature] Mayor