

Council Minutes

October 3, 2016

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, October 3, 2016 in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President Neil Morrisette, Councilmen John Wilson and Steve Vincent, City Manager Laura Dolgin, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Charlie Elliott, Chief LeClair, Phil White, members of the Press and Public. Councilman Roberge was absent.

Mayor Monette called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Vincent moved to approve the minutes of September 26, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Morrisette, motion carried.

Comments by the Public

None.

Kingdom Games Halloween Hustle Event Request

Phil White requested approval he will be working with the Recreation Dept. on the is event. It will include a Parade, Vampire Swim and Monster Bash. Mr. Morrisette moved to approve the event. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Kingdom Games Request for Boat Ramp Use for Various swims.

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the use of the boat ramp at the Municipal Dock for various swims for one year, if there are any problems each request will have to come back to the council. Seconded by Mr. Morrisette, motion carried.

Proclamation for November 1, 2016, Extra Mile Day (attached)

Mr. Vincent moved to approve the proclamation for Extra Mile Day. Seconded by Mr. Morrisette, motion carried.

Proposed Monument Installation at Pomerleau Park (attached)

Mr. Vincent moved to approve the installation of a monument at Pomerleau Park donated by Mr. Pomerleau. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Proposed South bay Access Area Wetland Permit Application from Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (letter attached)

Council FYI only no motion necessary.

A&E Contract for Engineering for Proposed Lakemont Association Water Request

Mr. Morrissette moved to approve a contract with Aldrich & Elliott, PC for preliminary design for water at Lakemont not to exceed \$5,000. Seconded by Mr. Vincent, motion carried.

Authorization to Engage Legal Counsel for Tax Collection

Mr. Vincent moved to engage legal counsel for tax collection. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Update on 81 East Main St. Situation

Zoning Administrator Charles Elliott updated the council on the situation at 81 East Main St. The Ploof's are concerned about the junk cars being left next to their property. Mayor Monette stated it looked like a junk yard to him. Mr. Elliott will have the state make a determination on if it qualifies as a junk yard. He will get back to the council at the next meeting.

New Business

Ms. Dolgin noted the Vermont Transportation Board will hold a forum on rail transportation, October 20, 2016 at 6 PM at the Gateway.

Chief LeClair noted an Open house at the Fire Station Saturday, October 8th from 10 AM to 2 PM.

Old Business

Ms. Dolgin noted that there are now 88 customers signed up for water meters.

Mr. Morrissette asked if there was an update on Hill St.

Next Meeting Date

October 17, 2016

Adjournment

Mr. Vincent moved to adjourn at 7:35 PM. Seconded by Mr. Morrissette, motion carried

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