
Council Minutes

December 7, 2015

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, December 7, 2015 in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President John Wilson, Aldermen Jacques Roberge, Neil Morrissette and Steve Vincent, City Manager Laura F. Dolgin, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Bill Stenger, Tom Bernier, Chief DiSanto, members of the Press and Public.

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

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Morrissette moved to approve the minutes of November 16, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Vincent, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Roberge moved to approve the minutes of November 23, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Morrissette, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Vincent moved to approve the minutes of November 30, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Roberge, motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session Contract

Mr. Vincent moved to enter executive session for a contract issue where premature public knowledge would put the City at a disadvantage. Seconded by Mr. Morrissette.

No action.

Public Comment

Sue Watson stated she was disappointed that the council was cutting the budget for Newport Renaissance.

Ann Chiarello was concerned about the cost of the proposed store at Prouty Beach.

Diane Peel asked how many people were included in the salary line for the Clerk/Treasurer's office.

Bill Stenger –Update

Bill Stenger updated the council on the Renaissance Block, ANC Bio and the Newport Airport.

Sign Signature Page of Public works Contract

The date had to be changed indicating the duration of the contract.

Bid Approval for Prior approved 2016 Truck Cab and Chassis

Mr. Roberge moved to accept the bid from Clark's International in the amount of \$71,661. Seconded by Mr. Morrisette, motion carried unanimously.

Review VTRANS Capital Improvement Proposal

Mr. Wilson moved to include Main St. Railroad Square intersection in the VTRANS Capital Improvement Plan for 2016. Seconded by Mr. Morrisette, motion carried. Morrisette, Wilson and Vincent voted in favor. Mr. Roberge voted against.

Newport Ambulance Contract Review

Mr. Vincent moved to table until December 21, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Roberge, motion carried unanimously.

Continued FY17 Budget Review

The council continued to review the proposed 2016-2017 budget. The next budget meeting will be on December 14, 2015 at 6:00 PM.

New Business

Mr. Wilson noted how nice the Santa Parade was on Saturday and how nice the tree at Pomerleau Park Looks lighted up.

Mayor Monette noted that the Santa Festival was a great event.

The City Manager noted that the Recycling Center would be closed the day after Christmas.

Old Business

None

Next Meeting Date

Special budget meeting December 14, 2015 at 6:00 PM.

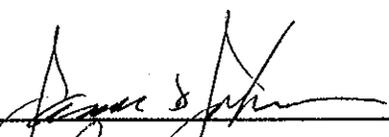
Executive Session Contract Issue

Mr. Vincent moved to enter executive session for a possible contract issue where public knowledge could put the city at a disadvantage. Seconded by Mr. Roberge, motion carried unanimously.

No action.

Adjournment

Mr. Vincent moved to adjourn at 9:00 PM. Seconded by Mr. Morrissette, motion carried unanimously.

Attested  This 21st Day of December 2015



Mayor