

## **Council Minutes**

**March 5, 2018**

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, March 5, 2018 in the Gateway Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President John Wilson, Council Members Julie Raboin, Denis Chenette, James Merriam, City Manager Laura Dolgin, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Karen Geraghty, Carol Nicholson, Victoria Mathiesen, members of the Press and Public.

Mayor Monette called the meeting to order at 6:38 PM.

Mayor Monette welcomed everyone and stated that the City was one hundred years old today. He was honored to be the mayor as we begin the next 100 years. The first Mayor was C.S. Emery. The councilmen were Willard M. Prouty, Ernest W. Savage, James T. Gardner and Harry A. Black. Mayor Monette invited everyone to a Birthday Celebration and Fireworks immediately following the council meeting.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the minutes of February 19, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried.

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the minutes of February 22, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Merriam, motion carried.

### **Comments by the Public**

None

### **Informational Meeting about the Annual Meeting**

Mr. Ward had questions about the budget and audit report. He explained his reasoning for petitioning article 7.

### **New Business**

Mr. Chenette thanked the U.S. Postal Service for being at the meeting to do Centennial Cancellations

**Old Business**

Mayor Monette stated that he, Karen Geraghty and the City Manager had gone to Montpelier to present the Downtown Designation Renewal to the Downtown Board. He was pleased to report that the City's Downtown Designation was approved for five years.

Mr. Merriam noted that this year was the 227<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of statehood for Vermont.

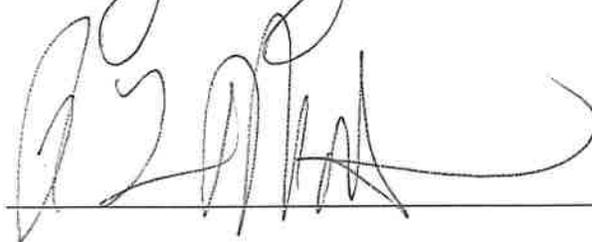
**Next Meeting Dates**

Annual Meeting March 6, 2018, Centennial Planning Meeting: March 14, 2018, Council Meeting March 19, 2018

**Adjournment**

Ms. Raboin moved to adjourn at 7:03 PM. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried.

Attested  This 19 Day of March, 2018

 Mayor