

Council Minutes

June 4, 2018

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, June 4, 2018 in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President Denis Chenette, Council members Julie Raboin, Dan Ross and Kevin Charboneau, City Manager Laura Dolgin, City Clerk/Treasurer James Johnson, Chief LeClair, Jessica Booth and Karen Geraghty.

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

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Charboneau moved to approve the minutes of May 21, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried unanimously.

Comments by Members of the Public

None

NEK Stand Strong Event Request

Tara Patten and Travis Blake requested the field use fee be waived for the 2nd Annual Overdose Awareness Memorial Walk scheduled for Saturday, June 10, 2018. An event application has been filled out. They are requesting that the \$95 fee be waived. Ms. Raboin moved that the fee be waived. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried unanimously. The mayor asked that the accounting for the \$95.00 be booked to Council special Projects.

Authorization to File DEC Grant Application (attached)

Mr. Ross moved to grant Tom Bernier authority to apply for a DEC grant in the amount of \$6,000. Seconded by Ms. Raboin, motion carried unanimously.

Northern borders Application Update (attached)

Karen Geraghty updated the council on the Northern Borders Grant for repair of the boardwalk. The grant requires that the City own the property. The grant is in the amount of \$500,000. The estimated cost to repair the boardwalk is \$404,000. Ms. Raboin moved to amend the City's NBRC application with a new council resolution that more clearly states that the city will acquire the boardwalk from the State

of Vermont as part of the process to repair it to follow NBRC's grant requirements and authorize the City Manager to make and sign the Northern Borders Grant application. Seconded by Mr. Chenette, motion carried unanimously.

Fair Housing Policy

Mayor Monette stated that there is no the change to the current policy and does not need a vote of approval.

New Business

Mr. Chenette noted pot holes on the Bluff Road.

Old Business

Mayor Monette asked about the Corrections and State Tax Adjustment Revenue. Mr. Johnson stated that he had not billed the Department of Corrections yet and that we don't budget for the tax adjustment because we don't know in advance what we will be getting.

Next Meeting Dates

Centennial Committee: June 7, 2018 at 5:00 PM, City Council: June 18, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

Adjournment

Mr. Chenette moved to adjourn at 7:23 PM. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried unanimously.

Attested *James D. Johnson* This *18th* Day of June 2018

R. Monette Mayor