

Council Minutes

October 21, 2019

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, October 21, 2019 in the Municipal Gym in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President Julie Raboin, Council Members Melissa Pettersson, Kevin Charboneau and Daniel Ross, City Manager Laura Dolgin, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Scott Jenness, members of the Press and Public

Mayor Monette called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the Municipal Building Gym.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Raboin moved to approve the minutes of October 7, 2019. Seconded by Mr. Ross, motion carried unanimously.

Comments by the Public

Colleen Moore De Ortiz asked to speak about Dog Licenses, when the Mayor called on her, she stated that she lied about her topic so that she could speak against the ATV's. The Mayor asked her to hold her comments until the ATV discussion and she refused. She was immediately escorted out of the meeting.

ATV Ordinance

Ms. Pettersson moved to approve ordinance #120 to allow ATV's on designated Newport City Streets as presented. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau.

Discussion: It was noted that the motion did not contain the curfew or trial period.

Mr. Charboneau withdrew the second, Ms. Pettersson withdrew the motion. Ms. Pettersson then moved to approve ordinance #120 to allow ATV's on designated Newport City streets as presented, with a curfew from 10:00 PM to 8:00 AM and a trial period from May 2020 to October 2020. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried. Twenty-eight people took part in a lengthy discussion. The council heard many comments and suggestions from the public and council members. The vote on the Ordinance was three in favor of the ordinance and one against. Ms. Pettersson, Mr. Ross and Mr. Charboneau voted in favor; Ms. Raboin voted against. Motion carried.

Audit Unassigned/Restricted/Committed Fund Balance (attached)

Mr. Johnson presented the Unassigned/Restricted/Committed Balances. The balance sheet contained seven new requests to commit funds. This will leave an unassigned balance of \$371,054.97. Ms. Petterson moved to accept the Unassigned/Restricted/Committed fund Balances as presented. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried unanimously.

New Business

The council signed Third Class Liquor Licenses for the Warehouse and Lagos's.

Ma. Raboin demanded to know about a "Light Up the Night Parade" to benefit the NEK Council on Aging on December 7th from Newport to Derby that she saw advertised on Facebook. She wondered how this could be approved without an events policy. Ms Dolgin pointed out to her that very little if any information has been presented to the City by the organization thus there is no cause for alarm. The City does not control what people put on Facebook and this will come before the council if necessary. Ms. Petterson stated the Event Policy Committee needs one more meeting, so the Events Guidebook and Permit is brought before the council

Old Business

None

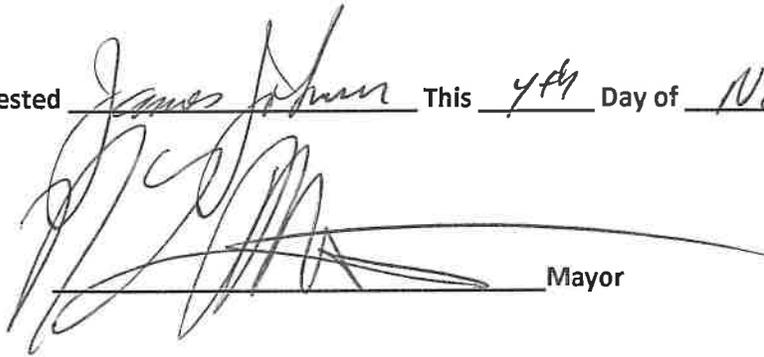
Next Meeting Date

November 4, 2019

Adjournment

Ms. Raboin moved to adjourn at 8:38 PM. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried unanimously.

Attested James Phelan This 4th Day of November 2019



Mayor