

**Council Minutes**  
**September 21, 2020**

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A duly warned meeting of the Newport City council was held remotely on Monday, September 21, 2020. Participating in the meeting were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President Daniel Ross, Council Members Melissa Pettersson, Kevin Charboneau and John Wilson, City Manager Laura Dolgin, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, PW Director Tom Bernier, Fire Chief John Harlamert, Donald (Pedro) Grondin, Becky Therrien, Wayne Elliott from Aldrich & Elliott, members of the Press and Public.

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

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Pettersson moved to approve the minutes of August 17, 2020. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried unanimously.

**Comments by the Public**

None

**Fire Department Floor Update**

Chief John Harlamert updated the council on the repair of the Fire Station floor. The repair will include the bay floor and all other floors except the storage and laundry rooms. \$25,000 has been set aside from last years budget and there is \$25,000 in this year's budget to do the repairs.

Mr. Wilson moved to do the fire Station floors. Seconded by Mr. Ross, motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion About City Wide Implementation of Water Meters**

Ms. Dolgin, Mr. Bernier, and Mr. Elliott gave presentations on why the City should mandate water meters. Each council member endorsed mandating water meters but will vote on the implementation of water meters at the October 5, 2020 council meeting. This will allow public input.

**New Business**

Mr. Ross thanked the Fire Department for their hard work last week.

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**Old Business**

None

**Next Meeting Date**

October 5, 2020

**Adjournment**

Mr. Charboneau moved to adjourn at 7:24 PM. Seconded by Ms. Petterson, motion carried unanimously.

Attested \_\_\_\_\_ This \_\_\_\_\_ Day of October 2020

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Mayor