

New Plymouth City Council Meeting
MONDAY
03 November 2014
7:00 pm
New Plymouth City Council Chambers (Library)

On the 3rd of November, 2014, the New Plymouth city council meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 pm by Mayor Joe Cook. Roll call was taken with council members Warnke, Mayer and York in attendance. Councilman Kurth was not in attendance.

Staff members in attendance were Danielle Painter, Beau Ziemer and Andy Gerhke.

Regular Agenda – **Councilman Warnke moved to approve regular agenda. Councilman Mayer seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

Consent Agenda – **Councilman Mayer moved to approve consent agenda. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

Old Business

None

New Business

City Tour – Councilman York stated that he had asked Public Works Superintendent Ziemer to coordinate a tour of the city and its facilities for the council members. He recommended that the council members take advantage of the opportunity to view some of the city's assets and current projects. Councilman York suggested that such a tour would increase the council's awareness and give them an opportunity to ask questions and to make recommendations for maintenance, etc. if needed. After some discussion, it was decided to schedule the tour for Friday, November 14th, 2014 at 1:30 pm.

Councilman York moved to approve a city tour scheduled for Friday, November 14th, 2014 at 1:30pm. Councilman Mayer seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Pleasant Loop Subdivision – General Contractor Mitch Painton provided an update on the progress of the subdivision, then stated that he was requesting approval of three building permits for model homes to be built before the weather got too bad. He stated that he was aware of an issue with one condition of the development agreement that would not be met before the foundations needed to be poured. Mr. Painton requested that he be given an extension on installing light posts that had been ordered but hadn't arrived yet, so he would be able to get construction started ahead of winter weather. Public Works Superintendent Ziemer recommended the approval.

Councilman York moved to approve three building permits for Pleasant Loop Subdivision. Councilman Mayer seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Laserfiche- City Clerk Painter presented a plan to council to implement laserfiche for records retention. She stated that the cost savings of scanning and storing city records electronically versus printing and storing copies would be well worth the startup costs of the system. City Clerk Painter also mentioned that enough money was left in the budget after purchasing new computer towers to cover the system costs. She then stated that electronic storage would eliminate the need to store boxes and boxes of old records and would also make necessary information immediately accessible. Councilman York agreed with City Clerk Painter that a digital system was a great investment. Mayor Cook expressed concern that historical records would be lost in the transition, but City Clerk Painter assured him that those type of records would

be identified and preserved.

Councilman York moved to approve the purchase of a laserfiche system for city records retention. Councilman Mayer seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Ordinances and Resolutions

None

Mayor and Council Comments

Councilman Mayer reminded all about the upcoming election and stated that she hoped the fire district levy would pass this time. She also encouraged all to vote and “exercise their right to gripe”. Councilman Warnke stated that he was glad to see a program like laserfiche finally come to the city. Councilman York encouraged all to get out and vote the following day.

Adjournment

Councilman Mayer moved to adjourn the council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Warnke. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20 pm.

Joe Cook, Mayor

Danielle Painter, City Clerk