

New Plymouth City Council Meeting
MONDAY
October 4, 2021
6:00 P.M.
New Plymouth City Council Chambers

On the 4th of October 2021, the New Plymouth City Council meeting was called to order at 5:59 P.M. by Mayor Rick York.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilwoman Cora Kurth.

Roll call was taken with council members Bill Warnke, Cora Kurth, Eileen Balcer and Tom Hoppell present.

Staff members in attendance were City Clerk Danielle Painter, Deputy Clerk Marianne Gatchell, Superintendent Beau Ziemer, City Engineer Andy Gehrke, and City Attorney Dan Chadwick.

September 20th, 2021 City Council Minutes- Action Item

Councilwoman Warnke made a motion to approve the minutes from September 20, 2021. With the correction of each box changed to the box in regard to Ty Everson's eagle project. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claim Approvals- Action Item

Councilman Hoppell made a motion to approve claim approvals totalling \$63,552.28. Councilwoman Balcer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business – (Action Item)

- a. Grounds Equipment Maintenance (GEM) Program- This is a maintenance equipment protection agreement. There was some discussion between the council, Beau Ziemer and our city attorney Dan Chadwick. This agreement is beneficial for the city and is a very standard.
Councilman Hoppell made a motion to approve the Grounds Equipment Maintenance (GEM) agreement. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Councilman Hoppell, yes. Councilman Warnke, yes. Councilwoman Kurth, yes. Councilwoman Balcer, yes. 4 yeses. Motion carried.
- b. Impact Fee Analysis/Capital Improvement Plan Development- Ann Wescot from Galena Consulting presented her proposal for the city of New Plymouth. There was discussion between the council and staff regarding this opportunity. These impact fees would be collected from new builds as part of the building permit application. A percentage of these fees would be sent to the Fire District, and the rest would be used for streets and or parks. The council and staff will take this information into consideration.
- c. Water & Sewer 3% Rate Increase
Councilwoman Balcer made a motion to approve the 3% Water & Sewer Rate Increase. Councilman Hoppell seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- d. Harvest Creek Subdivision Public Work License Question, Heco Engineers- The current contractor on this project has a Class C license and with the dollar amount of the project they would technically need a Class B license, however this is not a city owned project and therefore the State does not require the licensee to have the correct class of license. The city can make this a requirement in future projects. Due to this project being underway, the city will not be requiring the contractor to provide a Class B license.
Councilman Hoppell made a motion that the city will require the appropriate level of public works license for infrastructure construction in all future developments. Councilman Warnke seconded

the motion. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2021-03 Water & Sewer 3% Rate Increase-

Councilwoman Balcer made a motion to accept Resolution No. 2021-03 Water & Sewer 3% Rate Increase. Councilwoman Kurth seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Councilman Hoppell, yes. Councilman Warnke, yes. Councilwoman Kurth, yes. Councilwoman Balcer, yes. 4 yeses. Motion carried.

Department Reports

- a. Engineering Status Report- DEQ lagoon #4 conference call went well. There will be a lot funding for this project. With grants that will match up to 50%.

Mayor & Council Comments

Mayor York said there was a great turn out for Sunny's Car show on October 2nd. There were approximately 140 cars, pick-ups and camp trailers this year. Councilwoman Balcer asked if we can mention to the workers at the Harvest Creek subdivision that work should not start until 7:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Councilman Warnke moved to adjourn the council meeting. Councilwoman Balcer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

Approve:

Attest:

Rick York, Mayor

Danielle Painter, City Clerk