

New Plymouth City Council Meeting

MONDAY

June 3, 2024

6:00 P.M.

New Plymouth City Council Chambers

On the 3rd of June 2024, the New Plymouth City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Council President Eileen Balcer.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Councilmember Davis, Councilmember Evans, Council President Balcer were present. Mayor Binggeli was absent.

Staff members present, City Clerk Marianne Gatchell, City Attorney Jill Holinka, and City Engineer Andy Gehrke.

Public Hearing Hardin 4% Rate Increase

Councilmember Balcer made a motion to open the public hearing for the Hardin 4% Rate Increase. Councilmember Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Open Public Hearing at 6:01 p.m.

Opening Statement by Travis Williams District Manager Hardin Payette. Travis from Hardin is asking for a 4% rate increase. The most common rate will increase .67. This is right in line with the CPI of 3.6%. This rate will help secure and keep the drivers they have and pay for maintenance on equipment and a new truck. Travis wants it on record that this rate increase will not exceed 4%.

Public Testimony:

In Favor: NONE

Neutral: Viriginia Barton 205 W Canal St N.P.

Against: NONE

Closing Statement by Travis Williams District Manager Hardin Payette. Travis said that most of their drivers have been with them for 6 years plus, and many of them live here in New Plymouth and the surrounding cities. He thanked the city for the opportunity to come before council.

Councilmember Evans said she understands the need to raise rates with everything going on in the world. She feels that .67 a month is a reasonable amount to ask for.

Councilmember Balcer made a motion to close the public hearing for the Hardin 4% Rate Increase. Councilmember Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Close Public Hearing at 6:09 p.m.

May 20, 2024, City Council Meeting Minutes- Action Item

Councilmember Davis made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 20, 2024, council meeting. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claim Approvals- Action Item

Councilmember Evans made a motion to approve the claim approvals for \$27,142.01.

Councilmember Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business-

a. Resolution #2024-01 Hardin Sanitation Rate Increase- (Action Item)

Councilmember Davis made a motion to approve and allow the mayor to sign Resolution #2024-01 Hardin Sanitation Rate Increase. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

b. Hamptons Final Plat & Construction Plan- (Action Item) Kaite Miller- Bailey Engineering 1119 East St. Eagle. Katie said that the preliminary plat & development agreement was approved by planning and zoning and city council previously. This is a 27-lot subdivision off Holly and Pine. Issues brought up by council included traffic, irrigation, and storm drainage. Katie addressed these concerns saying that they have gone through entitlement and a traffic study was not required. Irrigation will be piped and handled by the subdivision HOA. There are eight water shares for the entire subdivision with a pump station. The storm drainage calculations were set to the 100-year storm design to handle extreme situations. City engineer Andy Gehrke said that the plans have been reviewed for the drainage and they are comfortable with the plans. There are some edits as far as names and the annexation/de-annexation portion which will all be corrected before the final plat is signed. Andy does recommend approval subject to meeting review letter requirements.

Councilmember Balcer made a motion to approve the Hamptons Final Plat & Construction Plan subject to meeting the review letter requirements and final review of CCNR's by city attorney. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

c. Pond No. 4 Lining Project- Contractor Payment Application #2 and DEQ ARPA Reimbursement Request #2AP- (Action Item) Andy Gehrke recommends approval of Idaho Siteworks Pay App #2 \$152,000.00. They are 23% complete with construction.

Councilmember Davis made a motion to approve the Pond 4 Lining Project- Contractor Payment Application #2 and DEQ ARPA Reimbursement Request #2AP for \$152,000.00 and allow the council president to sign the contract and pay app. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

d. Roger Gunn- Pleasant Loop Path-Given to the city- (Action Item) Roger Gunn 201 E Garret St has asked the city to take over the 600 feet of pathway from N Plymouth Blvd to Pleasant Loop that is currently owned and managed by the HOA of the subdivision. Council discussion. Councilmember Balcer said this has come before the council in the past. She said when the subdivision was built the builder agreed to take responsibility of the pathway and it would be handled by the HOA. The city isn't going to take care of items that fall in the subdivision's responsibility. Andy confirmed that the city doesn't take care of the property inside a subdivision.

Councilmember Balcer made a motion to deny Pleasant Loop Subdivision's request to give the pathway to the city. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

e. Schedule Budget Workshop Dates- (Action Item)

Councilmember Evans made a motion to schedule the Budget Workshop Dates for June 26th 6:00 p.m. and July 10th 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- f. Letter of Resignation Dana Ziemer- (Action Item)
Councilmember Davis made a motion to accept the Letter of Resignation from Councilmember Dana Ziemer effective June 1, 2024. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Department Reports

- a. Engineering Status Report- New items are in bold.

Mayor & Council Comments

None

Adjournment

Councilmember Davis moved to adjourn the council meeting. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Approve:

Attest:

Eileen Balcer, Council President

Marianne Gatchell, City Clerk