

Public Hearing
New Plymouth City Council
MONDAY
17 October 2011
7:00 p.m.
New Plymouth City Hall Library

On the 17th of October 2011 the city council met in a public hearing to take testimony regarding the ordinance of the city of New Plymouth to define the use of the park and the facilities therein as first come first served but allowing people to reserve a park or areas therein by paying a fee and provide for part of the fee to be returned to the person making the reservation and the rest to remain in possession of the city for the maintenance of such facilities.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:05 pm by Mayor Joe Cook. Roll call was taken with Councilmember's Mayer, Cline and Esplin in attendance. Councilman York was out of town. Staff member Leon K. Jensen was present. Andy Gehrke and Sai Kumar Sarepalli from Holladay Engineering were also present.

The meeting was opened for public testimony. Rachel Esplin testified in favour to having the park city bathrooms open during the day for mothers and their children. She stated that many more mothers would bring their children to the park if they knew that the bathrooms were open and available for them to use during the day. She stated that she would like to see the bathroom facilities open all day every day of the week. She also stated that mothers would be free surveillance of the bathrooms.

No members of the public testified in favour or in opposition to the city charging a fee for the reservation of the park and then keeping part of the fee for the maintenance of the facilities.

Councilman Esplin moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Mayer. The voting was unanimous in favour of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:08 pm.