

New Plymouth City Council Meeting
MONDAY
4 April 2016
6:30 P.M.
New Plymouth City Council Chambers (Library)

On the 4th of April, 2016, the New Plymouth City Council meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor Beth Earles. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council President Bill Warnke. Roll call was taken with council members Ron Rouse, Bill Warnke, and Cora Kurth in attendance. Councilman Rick York was absent.

Staff members in attendance were Public Works Superintendent Beau Ziemer, City Engineer Andy Gehrke, City Clerk Danielle Painter and Deputy Clerk Alishia Elliott.

Guests included Mary Kirkpatrick and Richard Postlethwait.

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

Consent Agenda – The consent agenda included March 21st, 2016 council minutes, March building/mechanical permits, March delinquent/shutoff list, and claims totaling \$18,534.40. **Councilman Warnke moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Kurth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

Old Business
None

New Business

Engineering Status Report Update – City engineer, Andy Gehrke, explained the engineering status report for the new council members and mayor. He explained how the report is laid out and what information is included in the report. Andy Gehrke asked if the council had any questions or comments regarding the report. The council had no questions or comments. **Councilman Warnke moved to approve the engineering status report presented by Andy Gehrke. Councilwoman Kurth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

Review Draft Abatement Ordinance – The city council had time to review the abatement ordinance and ask any questions. Councilwoman Kurth asked about the 10 days required for the residents to fix the abatement issue. Kurth felt that 10 days was not long enough for some cases. Lt. Carter with the Payette County Sheriff's Department introduced himself and explained how the process for the abatement works and how they work with peoples schedule on the abatement, and the residents may be allowed more time if needed.

Review Draft Animal Ordinance – The city council had time to review the draft animal ordinance and ask any questions or request any changes. There was discussion regarding the late fees section and how it could be changed. The council decided on the late fee date to be March 1st. Any tags purchased after March 1st will be charged a late fee, unless under certain circumstances. Councilman Warnke commented on how he liked the animal control board section.

Public Comments
None

Mayor and Council Comments

Councilman Rouse asked if a lifetime dog tag was available to add to the ordinance. City Clerk informed Councilman Rouse that rabies tags only last for 3 years and the city would need to get the updated information from the owners. It was also suggested by the city clerk to add a 3 year tag.

Adjournment

Councilman Rouse moved to adjourn the council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kurth. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Approve:

Attest:

Beth Earles, Mayor

Alishia Elliott, Deputy City Clerk