

New Plymouth City Council Special Meeting  
TUESDAY  
16 February 2016  
6:30 P.M.  
New Plymouth City Council Chambers (Library)

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of February, 2016, the New Plymouth City Council special meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor Beth Earles. Roll call was taken with council members Bill Warnke, Cora Kurth, and Rick York in attendance. Councilman Ron Rouse was not in attendance.

Staff members in attendance were City Clerk Danielle Painter, City Engineer Andy Gerhke, and Deputy Clerk Alishia Elliott.

Guests included Mary Kirkpatrick.

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

Consent Agenda – The consent agenda included February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 council minutes, Payette County Sheriff's report, public works report, and claims totaling \$26,364.57. **Councilwoman Kurth moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman York seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

#### Old Business

##### Animal Ordinance Review –

City Council discussed the different changes they would like to see in the animal ordinance. The recommended changes will be sent to city attorney, Bert Osborn, for review.

#### New Business

##### Public Nuisance Ordinance Review –

Mayor Earles informed the council that Lieutenant Toby Haantz requested that the public nuisance ordinance be reviewed. Lt. Haantz suggested that only the ordinance officer and law enforcement have the power to determine a public nuisance and recommended the 30 days to abate, be changed, to 10 days. The council decided to ask city attorney if certain content needs to stay in the ordinance. The recommendations will be sent to city attorney, Bert Osborn, for review.

#### Mayor and Council Comments

Councilwoman Kurth asked why the Pledge of Allegiance is not included to start the council meetings any longer. Mayor Earles felt it was just for show and there was no respect for the flag as they were situated behind the library doors. Councilwoman Kurth requested the Mayor have the flags moved to the correct place in order to show respect.

Councilman York asked about the spring clean-up dumpster, and when it was scheduled to be brought to the city. City Clerk requested this topic be on the next agenda.

#### Adjournment

**Councilman York motioned 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 7:37 pm.

Approve:

Attest:

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Beth Earles, Mayor

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Alishia Elliott, Deputy City Clerk