

New Plymouth City Council Meeting  
MONDAY  
6 March 2017  
6:30 P.M.  
New Plymouth City Council Chambers

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of March 2017, the New Plymouth City Council meeting was called to order at 6:29 P.M. by Mayor Beth Earles. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Ron Rouse. Roll call was taken with council members Rick York, Ron Rouse, Bill Warnke and Cora Kurth in attendance.

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

Guests present included Dale Williamson, Lyle Sall, Debbie Mills, and Rod Tegethoff.

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 February 21<sup>st</sup> City Council minutes, February building/mechanical report, February public works report, engineering status report, and claim approvals totaling \$26,747.02. **Councilman Warnke moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Kurth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

#### New Business

##### CITY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER DISCUSSION

Lyle Sall, publisher with the New Plymouth Record, presented information to the council about the New Plymouth Record. He informed the council on some state statues regarding city official newspapers. Lyle Sall also spoke on the issues that the city was encountering with the newspaper. Councilman York requested that the newspaper be put on a 3 month probation and be reviewed after the 3 months. Councilman Warnke agreed with Councilman York.

#### Ordinances & Resolutions

##### ORDINANCE 357 – DECLARING THE INDEPENDENT ENTERPRISE AS THE CITY'S OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

**Councilman Rouse moved to read ordinance 357 by title only. Councilwoman Kurth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.** City Clerk Danielle Painter read ordinance 357 by title only. **Councilman Rouse moved to accept the first reading. Councilwoman Kurth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion. Councilwoman Kurth moved to dismiss the second and third readings. Councilman Rouse seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion. Councilwoman Kurth moved to approve ordinance 357. Councilman Rouse seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken: Councilman Rouse – Aye; Councilman Warnke – Nay; Councilwoman Kurth – Aye; and Councilman York – Nay. With a tie vote Mayor Earles voted Nay. The motion was denied with two (2) ayes and three (3) nays.**

Councilman York informed Lyle Sall, publisher for New Plymouth Record, that the next three months is a probation period, for the newspaper.

#### Citizen Requests

##### ROD TEGETHOFF -

Mr. Tegethoff was representing the New Plymouth Kiwanis group. He was requesting more information on the playground equipment at Kiwanis Park. Mayor Earles informed Mr. Tegethoff that the plan provided by Kiwanis is still being reviewed by the engineers and has not been presented to the council yet. Rod Tegethoff stated they have the money and equipment to move forward. City Engineer Andy Gehrke asked that the Kiwanis Park send Holladay Engineering the specifications on the playground equipment they plan to install, so it can be added into the master plan.

#### Mayor & Council Comments

None

Adjournment

**Councilwoman Kurth moved 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 6:57 P.M.

Approve:

Attest:

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Beth Earles, Mayor

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Alishia Elliott, Deputy City Clerk