



# City of Newberry Commission Meeting

February 11, 2020  
7:00 p.m.

25440 West Newberry Road  
Newberry, Florida 32669

## MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marlowe called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. He noted the absence of Commissioner Marden and Commissioner Norfleet.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Marlowe asked to replace Item 1. Opioid Task Force Update with Khanh-Lien Banko, Alachua County School Board Candidate.

**Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to approve the agenda with amendment.**

**Seconded by Commissioner Coleman.**

**Voting Yea: Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner McKinley, and Commissioner Farnsworth.**

**MOTION PASSED 3-0**

### QUORUM CHECK

Mayor	Jordan Marlowe
Commissioners	Ricky Coleman Rocky McKinley Monty Farnsworth
City Attorney	Scott Walker
City Manager	Mike New
City Clerk	Judy Rice
Staff:	
Fire Chief	Ben Buckner
Director of Public Works and Utilities	Jaime Jones
Absent:	
Commissioner	Tim Marden
Commissioner	Paul Norfleet

## INVOCATION

Pastor Jack Andrews, Newberry First Baptist Church, provided the invocation.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Marlowe led the Pledge of Allegiance

## PRESENTATIONS

### 1. ~~Opioid Task Force Update~~ Khanh-Lien Banko, Alachua County School Board Candidate

This item was removed and replaced with Khanh-Lien Banko, Alachua County School Board Candidate.

Ms. Banko introduced herself and spoke on her platform for running for the Alachua County School Board.

Discussion ensued.

### 2. Newberry Great American Cleanup Day

Director Jones presented a PowerPoint for this item.

Motion made by Commissioner McKinley to proclaim March 27, 2020 as the "Great American Cleanup Day" in Newberry.

Seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner McKinley, and Commissioner Farnsworth

**MOTION PASSED 3-0**

### 3. Fire Department News

Fire Chief Buckner updated the Commission on grants and other funding that the Newberry Fire Department has received. He also announced the partnership with the American Red-Cross for a Fire Alarm Program.

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Marlin Day, Alachua County Library Newberry Branch, announced upcoming events.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### 4. January 27, 2020, Regular Meeting Minutes

### 5. Payment Register

Motion made by Commissioner Coleman to approve the consent agenda.

Seconded by Commissioner Farnsworth.

**Voting Yea: Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner McKinley, and Commissioner Farnsworth.**

**MOTION PASSED 3-0**

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **6. Proclamation Calling For A Regular Election**

Clerk Rice read the proclamation.

### **7. Electric Net Metering**

Manager New presented a PowerPoint for this item.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Chris Monk asked the Commission to consider 20 years instead of 10 for the sunset.

Mr. Barry Jacobson expressed his concern on some of the legal aspects regarding this item.

**Motion made by Commissioner Farnsworth to direct staff to create an ordinance with a sunset for the net metering billing the current 11 customers are receiving.**

**Seconded by Commissioner McKinley.**

**Voting Yea: Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner McKinley, and Commissioner Farnsworth.**

**MOTION PASSED 3-0**

## **COMMENTS**

### **City Attorney**

The attorney's office is paying close attention to the zoning topic being discussed at the Alachua County Charter Review Commission meetings.

### **City Clerk**

Facilities Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, February 18th, at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall.

### **Commission**

Commissioner Coleman spoke on the Watermelon Festival and its volunteers.

Commissioner McKinley spoke on his trip with City staff to Tallahassee.

### **Mayor**

The State of the City speech will be on the City's Facebook page and YouTube.

On April 4th the soil collection to commemorate victims of lynching will happen in the morning.

Newberry High School will also be celebrating their 100% graduation rate on April 4th at the football field and encourage everyone to join.

**Citizens**

Mr. Ray McNeil expressed how impressed he was with Newberry High School when visiting.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Signed and approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020.

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Jordan Marlowe, Mayor

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Judy S. Rice, City Clerk