



Commission Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2024
7:00 PM

25440 West Newberry Road
Newberry, Florida 32669

QUORUM CHECK

Mayor	Jordan Marlowe
Commissioners	Mark Clark Rick Coleman Monty Farnsworth Tim Marden Tony Mazon
City Manager	Mike New
City Clerk	Judy Rice
City Attorney	Kiersten Ballou
Staff:	
Assistant City Manager/CFO	Dallas Lee
Director of Parks and Recreation	Travis Parker
Fire Chief	Mike Vogel
Deputy Fire Chief	Ed Griffin
Principal Planner	Jean-Paul W. Perez
Fire Lieutenant	Danny Tomlinson
Firefighter	Kristi Langston
Firefighter	Amby "AJ" Cason
Firefighter	Robert Benny
Staff Specialist	Jeannene Mironack

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marlowe called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to postpone Item 1, then approve the agenda, was made by Commissioner Marden, Seconded by Commissioner Mazon.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon

MOTION PASSED 5-0

INVOCATION

Pastor Ralph Williams provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Clark led the pledge.

PRESENTATIONS

(Please limit presentations to 15 minutes)

1. ~~Proclamation Recognizing Newberry's Hall Of Fame Barber~~

2. Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation

Mayor Marlowe proclaimed May 5th through 11th, 2024, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in Newberry.

Clerk Judy Rice spoke.

3. Introductions of Deputy Fire Chief Ed Griffin and Director of Recreation Rod Clark

City Manager Mike New introduced Deputy Fire Chief Ed Griffin and Director of Recreation Rod Clark to the Mayor and Commissioners. Both are new hires for the City of Newberry.

Deputy Fire Chief Ed Griffin and Director of Recreation Rod Clark spoke.

4. Project One45: Run With Purpose Inaugural 5K Run

Amanda Hagan, Board Member, Project One45, introduced Mrs. Taylor Eastridge, Founder of Project One45; Survivor of TBI.

Mrs. Eastridge presented the Inaugural Run With A Purpose 5K fundraiser for Project One45. She also thanked the Emergency Responders who saved her life, including City of Newberry Firefighters and Alachua County's Brandon Boothby and Davie Cruse.

5. National Community Survey

Assistant City Manager/CFO Dallas Lee announced that the National Community Survey will be conducted from May 1st through 31st, 2024. Residents will be asked to participate by emails, mailings, utility bill inserts, and flyer distributions.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please limit announcements to 2 minutes)

Hayden Kato, Denver Ripley, Cedrick Bowers, Christopher Luetgert, Randy Rojas, Gerrett Douglas, Steve Arnett, and two minors spoke against the Elite Pro Ball eviction.

Attorney Ballou advised the Mayor and Commissioners that due to being in litigation, they should not comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Mazon, Seconded by Commissioner Coleman.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon

MOTION PASSED 5-0

6. **April 15, 2024 Special Commission Meeting Minutes**
7. **Payment Registers**
8. **City Attorney Project List**
9. **Grant Funding Agreement with Alachua County for ENSC Parking Improvements**

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

10. **Surplus Funds Investment Policy Ordinance**

Legislative and Second Hearing: Ordinance 2024-13

An Ordinance Of The City Commission For the City Of Newberry, Florida, Providing Regulations Regarding The Permitted Investment Of Surplus Funds And Authorizing The Adoption Of Investment Procedures; Creating Section 2-121 Of The City Of Newberry Code Of Ordinances Regarding Permitted Investment Of Surplus Funds; Repealing All Ordinances In Conflict And Providing An Effective Date.

Commissioner Mazon left the dais at 7:37 PM.

Mayor Marlowe noted that there is a scrivener's error in the published Agenda Summary Title, "Ordinance 2024-13." The Ordinance Number was correct in the First Reading documents, the Published Notice, and in the meeting packet's attached Ordinance.

Attorney Ballou read Ordinance 2024-13 by title only.

Dallas Lee, Assistant City Manager/CFO, CGFO, CPM, presented the item.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to enact Ordinance 2024-13 on Second Reading was made by Commissioner Marden, Seconded by Commissioner Clark.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden,

MOTION PASSED 4-0

11. WWTP Construction Line of Credit

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Newberry, Florida Authorizing The Issuance By The City Of Not Exceeding \$20,000,000 In Principal Amount Of Its Water And Sewer Utility Revolving Credit Bond, Series 2024, To Finance The Cost Of The Acquisition, Construction And Equipping Of Improvements To The City's Water And Sewer System; Pledging The Security To Pay The Series 2024 Bond; Authorizing The Award Of The Sale Of The Series 2024 Bond Upon Compliance With Certain Parameters; Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of The Form Of Attached Revolving Credit Agreement Between The City And The Purchaser Of The Series 2024 Bond; Providing For Repeal Of Inconsistent Provisions; Providing For Severability; And Providing An Effective Date.

Commissioner Mazon returned to the dais at 7:38 PM.

Attorney Ballou read Resolution 2024-13 by title only.

Dallas Lee, Assistant City Manager/CFO, CGFO, CPM, presented the item.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-13 and execute loan documents was made by Commissioner Coleman, Seconded by Commissioner Marden.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon

MOTION PASSED 5-0

12. Zoning-in-Progress Big Box Retail

Legislative: First reading of Ordinance 2024-15/LDR 24-10, establishing a Zoning-in-Progress for construction of large-scale retails establishments greater than 80,000 square feet.

Attorney Ballou read Ordinance 2024-15 by title only.

Principal Planner Jean-Paul Perez presented the item.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2024-15 on First Reading, with the expiration upon enactment of a replacement Ordinance, was made by Commissioner Marden, Seconded by Commissioner Mazon.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

ROLL CALL VOTE

**Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman,
Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon**

Voting Nay: Commissioner Farnsworth

MOTION PASSED 4-1

AGENDA ITEMS

13. Newberry City Commission / Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Joint Meeting Discussion Topics Items and Location

City Manager New introduced the item.

Discussion ensued.

It was determined the Newberry City Commission would not have a quorum present for a Joint Meeting with the County Commission on May 13, 2024. City Manager New agreed to discuss the need for a Joint Meeting, and potential rescheduling, with the County Manager's Office.

COMMENTS

City Manager New, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon, and Mayor Marlowe made comments.

Christine Rodriguez, Bryson Turner, and Edwin Rodriguez spoke against the Elite Pro Ball eviction.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM.

Signed and approved on this 13th day of May 2024.

Jordan Marlowe, Mayor

Judy S. Rice, City Clerk