



Commission Meeting Minutes

July 8, 2024
7:00 PM

25440 West Newberry Road
Newberry, Florida 32669

QUORUM CHECK

Mayor	Jordan Marlowe
Commissioners	Rick Coleman Monty Farnsworth Tim Marden Tony Mazon
City Manager	Mike New
City Clerk	Judy Rice
City Attorney	Scott Walker
Staff:	
Assistant City Manager/CFO	Dallas Lee
Director of Recreation	Rod Clark
Assistant Director of Capital Project & Facilities	Ryan Young
Principal Planner	Jean-Paul W. Perez
Recreation Programs Supervisor	Anna Schutzler
Permit Technician	Michelle Vance
Staff Specialist	Jeannene Mironack
Absent:	
Commissioner	Mark Clark

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as published was made by Commissioner Marden, Seconded by Commissioner Mazon.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

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

MOTION PASSED 4-0

INVOCATION

Reverend Joy Glanzer provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Marlowe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

(Please limit presentations to 15 minutes)

1. Recreation Department Update and Proclamation for Recreation Month

Rod Clark, Director of Recreation presented the item with a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Marlowe proclaimed July as the City of Newberry Parks & Recreation Month.

2. Newberry Youth Council Proposal

Annah McGehee presented the item with a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to direct the Mayor to lead planning for creation of a Youth Government Organization beginning in August 2025 was made by Commissioner Mazon, Seconded by Commissioner Marden.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

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

MOTION PASSED 4-0

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

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

MOTION PASSED 4-0

3. June 24, 2024 Commission Meeting Minutes

4. Morlynn Planned Development Construction Plans

Resolution 2024-07/SD 24-02, an application by Gmuer Engineering, Agent, on behalf of Morlynn Properties LLC, Owner, for approval of construction plans of the Morlynn Planned Development on ±1.69 acres generally located at 25749 SW 1st Avenue; Parcel No. 02282-000-000 and 02235-000-000.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

5. Preliminary Fire Assessment Resolution 2024-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NEWBERRY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE RESCUE SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF NEWBERRY, FLORIDA; AMENDING AND RESTATING THE INITIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION; PROVIDING AUTHORITY, PURPOSE, DEFINITIONS, AND LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; DESCRIBING THE METHOD OF ASSESSING FIRE RESCUE ASSESSED COST AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF NEWBERRY; DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE; AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREOF; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Walker read Resolution 2024-28 by title only.

Assistant City Manager/CFO Lee presented the item with a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-28 was made by Commissioner Marden, Seconded by Commissioner Coleman.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Commissioner Coleman: YEA
Commissioner Farnsworth: NAY
Commissioner Marden: YEA
Commissioner Mazon: YEA

MOTION PASSED 3-1

Assistant City Manager/CFO Lee announced a public hearing to be held at 7:00 p.m. on August 26, 2024, in City Commission Chambers, 25440 West Newberry Road, Newberry, Florida, at which time the City Commission will receive and consider any comments on the Fire Rescue Assessments from the public and affected property owners and consider imposing Fire Rescue Assessments.

6. Voluntary Annexation of Three Separate Contiguous Areas to the City's Corporate Limits.

Legislative Public Hearing First Reading: Ordinances 2024-16, 2024-17 and 2024-19 of the City of Newberry, Florida, to voluntarily annex certain portions of unincorporated Alachua

County regarding three requests: Parcel no. 01925-010-000 consisting of ± 4.76 acres (Ordinance 2024-16); Parcel no. 04442-000-000 consisting of ±9.85 acres (Ordinance 2024-17); and Parcel no. 04158-002-000 consist of ± 30 acres (Ordinance 2024-19) a cumulative ± 44.61 acres.

Attorney Walker read Ordinance 2024-16 by title only.

Principal Planner Perez presented Annexation Ordinances 2024-16, 2024-17, and 2024-19 with a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

**Motion to approve Ordinance 2024-16 was made by
Commissioner Coleman, Seconded by Commissioner Mazon.**

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

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

MOTION PASSED 4-0

Attorney Walker read Ordinance 2024-17 by title only.

Principal Planner Perez requested the Commission rest on his prior presentation.

**Motion to approve Ordinance 2024-17 was made by
Commissioner Marden, Seconded by Commissioner Mazon.**

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

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

MOTION PASSED 4-0

Attorney Walker read Ordinance 2024-19 by title only.

Principal Planner Perez requested the Commission rest on his prior presentation.

Discussion ensued.

**Motion to approve Ordinance 2024-19 was made by
Commissioner Mazon, Seconded by Commissioner Coleman.**

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

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

MOTION PASSED 4-0

AGENDA ITEMS

7. Newberry Public Charter School Update

City Manager New presented the item orally.

8. Newberry Solar Project Update / Price Increase Consideration

City Manager New introduced Susan Schumann, FMPA's Manager of External Affairs and Public Relations.

Ms. Schumann presented the item with a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

City Manager New and Ms. Schumann responded to questions.

Motion to exit the Whistling Duck solar project with no penalty was made by Commissioner Coleman, Seconded by Commissioner Mazon.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Commissioner Coleman: YEA

Commissioner Farnsworth: NAY

Commissioner Marden: YEA

Commissioner Mazon: YEA

MOTION PASSED 3-1

COMMENTS

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

Joy Glanzer spoke about Newberry's economic growth in her 15 years of having a business here.

Brandy Oldman spoke in opposition to the Elementary Charter School.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Signed and approved on this 22nd day of July 2024.

Jordan Marlowe, Mayor

Judy S. Rice, City Clerk