

**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**Thursday, March 18, 2010**  
**Location: Newark Public Library**  
**209 Hudson**  
**Newark, Texas**  
**7:00 pm**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Laura Pixler at 7:02p.m.

Council Members Present; Mayor Pro Tem Laura Pixler; Councilman Bob Wells; Councilwoman Chana Massey and Councilman Jerry Davidson. Mayor Matt Newby was absent.

**Secretary's Report:**

1. Password has been received so work can begin on rebuilding the city Employee Handbook.
2. Considering affordable options to reduce trips to the bank for deposits and increase efficiency by scanning water payment checks for electronic deposit directly into the city account.
3. Waiting on a response from AT&T on the City's long distance bills that we are currently being charged taxes on. These accounts were established in 2005, and I am pushing AT&T to refund all the taxes paid by the city on these accounts.
4. Work is being done on updating the website with previous meeting minutes. Unfortunately, the contract we have with our web developer is restrictive on the number of uploads and scanned pages. I am researching a more timely method of keeping the website updated.

**NON-ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **TCEQ Requirements –**  
The Mayor requested to table this item for future review.
2. **Daytime Curfew –**  
Council requested that the city attorney prepare an ordinance draft for council to review.
3. **Long Range Plan –**  
Councilwoman Chana Massey gave an updated presentation on the Newark Long Range Plan.
4. **Update on Delora Doughty Royal Park –**  
Councilman Bob Wells gave an update on the park. Unsafe playground equipment and fencing has been removed. Fill dirt has been brought in. The gazebo has been repaired and partially stained. Staining should be completed within the next couple of weeks. The plan is to remove the wood posts on the fire department side and add a culvert and pipe that would be filled in so a parking lot can be put in using concrete stops. Resident Harvey West offered to donate a used swing/play set to the city.
5. **Local Liquor Ordinances –**  
Councilwoman Chana Massey requested that a special meeting be held to discuss and decide upon the schedule of collecting the fees. Also to ask the city attorney to draft the zoning SUP for council review.
6. **Alternate power source for the Sewer Plant –**  
After discussion, it was decided that more research needed to be done on the options before a decision can be made.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **Adopting the Newark Long Range Plan –**  
Councilman Bob Wells made a motion to accept the Newark Long Range Plan subject to adjustments in the future. Second to the motion by Chana Massey. Vote: 3:0 The motion carried. Councilman Jerry Davidson abstained
2. **Consider annual audit for the 2008/2009 fiscal year –**  
Councilwoman Chana Massey made a motion to accept the annual audit for the 2008/2009 fiscal year. Second to the motion by Jerry Davidson. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.
3. **Consider the log for Document Destruction –**  
Councilwoman Chana Massey made a motion to shred the documents listed on the Document Destruction Log. Second to the motion by Bob Wells. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.
4. **Consider an annual Senior Celebration to honor NHS graduates –**  
Councilwoman Chana Massey made a motion to establish an annual celebration to honor Northwest High School graduates, beginning this year to be held directly before the April 2010 meeting. Second to the motion by Jerry Davidson. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.

5. **Awarding the contract for the Rehabilitation of Tank No. 2 and Abandonment of Tank No. 1 project –**  
Ray with Gary Burton Engineering made a formal presentation on the outcome of the bid process for the project. Councilman Bob Wells made a motion to accept Gary Burton Engineering's recommendation to accept the bid from HMT, Inc. of \$90,472.10 for this project. Second to the motion by Chana Massey. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.
6. **Consider quote from GBEI to review and compare Tarrant County subdivision standards with our city standards –**  
Councilman Jerry Davidson made a motion to accept the quote from GBEI to compare the Tarrant County subdivision ordinance to the current city standards. Second to the motion by Chana Massey. Vote: 3:0 Bob Wells abstained. The motion carried.
7. **Consider continuation of Ordinance A-311 –**  
Councilman Jerry Davidson made a motion to readopt Ordinance A-311. Second to the motion by Chana Massey. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.
8. **Consider ordinances for Liquor Beverage Sales –**  
Councilman Bob Wells made a motion to accept the ordinances presented from Bridgeport, concerning the sale of alcoholic beverages subject to review by the city attorneys, including adding the reference to the Sexually Oriented Business Ordinance A-214, and prohibiting bars and explicit books. Second to the motion by Chana Massey. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.
9. **February 25, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes –**  
Councilman Jerry Davidson made a motion accept the meeting minutes as presented. Second to the motion by Bob Wells. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.
10. **March 8, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes –**  
Councilman Bob Wells made a motion accept the meeting minutes as presented. Second to the motion by Chana Massey. Vote: 3:0 Jerry Davidson abstained. The motion carried.
11. **Consider and authorize payment of regular monthly bills –**  
Councilman Bob Wells made a motion to pay the monthly bills. Second to the motion by Jerry Davidson. Vote: 4:0 The motion carried.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.**

Approved as to form:

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Laura Pixler, Mayor Pro Tem

**I, hereby certify the attached to be a true and correct copy of the minutes of a regular meeting on Thursday, March 18, 2010.**

**Tabitha Tucciarone**  
City Secretary