



UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL  
108 N. VAN BUREN St.  
NEWTON, IL 62448  
September 17, 2024

- **Public Hearing for Vacating an Alley running East and West between Lots 3 & 5 in Block 13 of the Original Town Subdivision in the City of Newton, Illinois on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 5:30 PM.**
- **Public Meeting for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 5:45 PM.**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Joshua J. Kuhl, Mayor  
**Mayor Joshua Kuhl called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Alderman RJ Lindemann.  
**Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman RJ Lindemann.**
3. ROLL CALL: Maggie McDonald, City Clerk  
**Physically present: Gayle Glumac, Larry Brooks, RJ Lindemann, Eric Blake (arrived at 6:05 PM.) and Mike Swick**  
**Also present: Attorney William Heap, Treasurer Melissa Brooks and City Clerk Maggie McDonald**  
**Absent: Kaleb Wright**
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:  
**Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to adopt the proposed agenda.**  
**Ayes: Glumac, Brooks, Lindemann, Swick**  
**Nays: None**
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of September 3, 2024.  
**Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024 meeting of the Newton City Council.**  
**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Swick, Glumac**  
**Nays: None**
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:  
**Alderman Lindemann reviewed the pre-pays in the amount of \$347,428.47 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and makes a motion to approve the pre-pays and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of \$460,051.77. Mike Swick seconded the motion.**  
**Ayes: Lindemann, Swick, Glumac, Brooks**  
**Nays: None**
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS: **None**
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:
  - **Personnel Committee Meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 6:00 PM.**

**Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 6:06 PM – 7:34 PM**



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Present: Kaleb Wright, Joshua Kuhl, Gayle Glumac, Larry Brooks, Melissa Brooks, RJ Lindemann, Mike Swick, Maggie McDonald, Buddy Parker, Greg Coker, Adam Bridges, Sandy Dhom, Jim Riddle, Sean Brody and Sarah Carter

Meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM.

- The committee met with the Policemen's Benevolent Labor Committee to discuss union contract negotiations.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM

Submitted by:

**Kaleb Wright - Chairman**

**9. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Consider and act on authorizing an Agreement with IDOT and the Indiana Rail Road for Railway-Highway Grade Crossing Improvements on S. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Sycamore St. and West End Ave.

**Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize tabling the Agreement with IDOT and the Indiana Rail Road for Railway-Highway Grade Crossing Improvements on S. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Sycamore St. and West End Ave. to the November 19, 2024 City Council Meeting.**

**Ayes: Swick, Glumac, Brooks, Lindemann**

**Nays: None**

**(Eric Blake joins the meeting 6:05 PM.)**

- B. Consider and act on passing Ordinance 24-13 Vacating the Alley Running East and West Between Lots 3 & 5 in Block 13 of the Original Town Subdivision in the City of Newton.

**Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by RJ Lindemann, to pass Ordinance 24-13 Vacating the Alley Running East and West Between Lots 3 & 5 in Block 13 of the Original Town Subdivision in the City of Newton. With verbal agreement from homeowner allowing adjoining neighbor to continue to utilize for passing through.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick**

**Nays: None**

- C. Consider and act on passing Ordinance 24-14 Authorizing the Sale of Lot 4 in Five Aprils Crossing to Patrick and Justina Earnest.

**Motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Mike Swick, to pass Ordinance 24-14 Authorizing the Sale of Lot 4 in Five Aprils Crossing to Patrick and Justina Earnest.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac**

**Nays: None**



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- D. Consider and act on authorizing a Grant Writing Agreement with South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development Commission (SCIRPDC) for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant.

**Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Mike Swick, to authorize a Grant Writing Agreement with South Central Illinois Regional Planning and Development Commission (SCIRPDC) for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant.**

**Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Brooks**

**Nays: None**

- E. Consider and act on passing Resolution 24-12 Committing Funds for the ITEP Grant.

**Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Larry Brooks, to pass Resolution 24-12 Committing Funds for the ITEP Grant.**

**Ayes: Blake, Swick, Glumac, Brooks, Lindemann**

**Nays: None**

- F. Consider and act on authorizing Pay Estimate #2 to Kieffer Brothers Construction Co., in the amount of \$284,569.20 for work completed on the South Van Buren Watermain Replacement Project.

**Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize Pay Estimate #2 to Kieffer Brothers Construction Co., in the amount of \$284,569.20 for work completed on the South Van Buren Watermain Replacement Project.**

**Ayes: Swick, Glumac, Brooks, Blake**

**Nays: Lindemann**

- G. Consider and act on authorizing the Invoice to Stone & Waggoner, PLLC in the amount of \$25,111.60 for the work completed on the South Van Buren Watermain Replacement Project.

**Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the Invoice to Stone & Waggoner, PLLC in the amount of \$25,111.60 for the work completed on the South Van Buren Watermain Replacement Project.**

**Ayes: Glumac, Brooks, Blake, Swick**

**Nays: Lindemann**

**10. NEW BUSINESS: None**

**11. STATEMENTS BY:**

**Glumac:** The chamber went above and beyond this year on the Fall Festival. Believe there were 67 parade entries with 15 bands. My church alone gave out over 700 bottles of water that day, not including what the chamber provided. All the bands were very appreciative. I can't thank Sarah, her President and board enough, for making the day



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such an enjoyment for our community! Thank you to all the city guys for being there to call on and extra help making the day a success. I'm proud of all the team efforts and for Newton!

**Brooks:** No comments.

**Lindemann:** Hope everyone enjoyed the Fall Festival. Presented the utility adjustments. Voiced opposition to the Capital Development Fund.

**Blake:** No comments.

**Swick:** Thank you to the chamber, all the city employees and police force for their hard work at the Fall Festival. One of the biggest crowds I've ever seen. The Superintendent, Mrs. Guzman and myself went and picked out bikes for the Safe Routes to School Grant. Thank you to Mrs. Guzman for your input helping Joe and I pick out some terrific bikes for our students. The School Safety Day will be held on October 2, 2024 from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM.

**City Attorney:** No comments.

**City Treasurer:** No comments.

**City Clerk:** Thank you to the chamber for all your hard work put in making the Fall Festival such an amazing day! Thank you to the city guys and all you do for this event. It was such a wonderful turnout and I can't wait for next year.

**Mayor:** Thank you to the chamber and our city employees, the Fall Festival was an amazing turnout. Phenomenal job on everyone's part! Thank you to St. Thomas' 8<sup>th</sup> grade class for cleaning up after the parade. Congratulations to the new Mr. and Mrs. Wright. Wishing you many years of happiness!

**12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: October 1, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

**SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion was made by Gayle Glumac, seconded by RJ Lindemann, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac**

**Nays: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.**

Submitted by:

Maggie McDonald, City Clerk

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLES September 18, 2024****STREET**

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Bradford Supply Co.               | \$3,080.00 |
| Card Service Center               | \$104.99   |
| Cintas                            | \$125.00   |
| Hometown Register                 | \$108.50   |
| Kirchner Building Centers         | \$258.91   |
| Lorenz Supply Co.                 | \$186.71   |
| Midwest Tractor Sales             | \$163.89   |
| Murphy Masonry, Inc.              | \$1,740.00 |
| Judy McClure's Signs & Graphics   | \$150.00   |
| Newton Part Supply, Inc.          | \$30.40    |
| Rex Vault                         | \$810.00   |
| Sloan Implement                   | \$3.29     |
| Sherwin Williams Co.              | \$309.29   |
| Schulte Supply Inc.               | \$133.36   |
| Terminix International            | \$63.32    |
| Wabash Valley Service Co.         | \$1,025.64 |
| Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C. | \$400.00   |
| Total Street                      | \$8,693.30 |

**POLICE**

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Birch Auto Service & Towing       | 676.80      |
| Adam Bridges                      | 111.07      |
| Card Service Center               | 537.37      |
| Cintas Corp.                      | 169.04      |
| County of Jasper                  | 8,744.04    |
| Clint Crossen Inspection Services | 1,550.00    |
| Grainger                          | 226.50      |
| Hinckley Springs                  | 41.46       |
| Jasper County E-911               | \$7,722.48  |
| Jasper County Sheriff's Office    | \$5,740.00  |
| Kemper Technology Consulting      | \$200.00    |
| Kim Muska                         | \$311.54    |
| Kelsey McClure                    | \$311.54    |
| Newton Part Supply, Inc.          | \$34.97     |
| Office 360                        | \$41.99     |
| Radar Man Inc.                    | \$495.00    |
| Terminix International            | \$70.00     |
| Wabash Valley Service Co.         | \$925.97    |
| Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C. | \$1,150.00  |
| Total Police                      | \$29,059.77 |

**PARK**

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|---------------------------|------------|
| Card Service Center       | \$351.29   |
| Kirchner Building Centers | \$93.74    |
| Newton Part Supply, Inc.  | \$32.32    |
| 1000 Bulbs.com            | \$1,739.41 |
| Sloan Implement           | \$36.53    |
| Wabash Valley Service Co. | \$207.80   |
| Total Park                | \$2,461.09 |

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Card Service Center               | \$1,050.92 |
| Hometown Register                 | \$275.90   |
| Kemper Technology Consulting      | \$1,729.06 |
| Miller Office Equipment           | \$600.33   |
| Kim Muska                         | \$311.54   |
| Kelsey McClure                    | \$311.54   |
| Office 360                        | \$167.96   |
| Terminix International            | \$70.00    |
| Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C. | \$150.00   |
| Total General Administration      | \$4,667.25 |

**POOL**

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|---------------------|------------|
| Bradford Supply Co  | \$302.33   |
| Card Service Center | \$120.09   |
| Hawkins, Inc.       | \$1,106.09 |

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| The Office of the State Fire Marshal | \$70.00      |
| Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware      | \$523.02     |
| Martin's IGA                         | \$41.12      |
| UMB Bank NA                          | \$143,562.50 |
| Wabash Food Service                  | \$278.85     |
| Total Pool                           | \$146,004.00 |

TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS

\$190,885.41

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| <u>EMA</u>       |          |
| County of Jasper | \$579.11 |
| Total EMA        | \$579.11 |

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| <u>MFT</u>                  |            |
| Jasper County Highway Dept. | \$6,932.05 |
| Total MFT                   | \$6,932.05 |

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| <u>TORT</u> |             |
| Symetra     | \$30,848.00 |
| Total TORT  | \$30,848.00 |

TOTAL SPECIALS

\$38,359.16

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|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| <u>ELECTRIC</u>                   |              |
| Anixter                           | \$14,131.28  |
| BH Electric, LLC.                 | \$59,829.07  |
| BHMG Engineers, Inc.              | \$15,431.78  |
| Brownstown Electric Supply        | \$49,142.49  |
| Card Service Center               | \$648.21     |
| Cintas                            | \$84.28      |
| Cummins Sales and Service         | \$4,966.00   |
| Hall's Safety Equipment           | \$482.35     |
| J Harlen Co., Inc.                | \$571.82     |
| Itron                             | \$2,027.14   |
| Jasper County Health Department   | \$108.00     |
| Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware   | \$116.82     |
| Kirby Risk Corporation            | \$239.31     |
| Kirchner Building Centers         | \$390.32     |
| Martin's IGA                      | \$71.88      |
| Newton Part Supply, Inc.          | \$817.04     |
| 1000 Bulbs.com                    | \$771.62     |
| Online Information Services       | \$18.88      |
| Springfield Electric Supply Co.   | \$1,896.48   |
| Terminix International            | \$63.34      |
| Tarr Chiropractic Clinic, Inc.    | \$110.00     |
| T & R Electric Supply Co.         | \$1,218.79   |
| VIPower Services                  | \$27,436.04  |
| Vision Metering, LLC.             | \$500.00     |
| VPE Consulting                    | \$11,645.00  |
| Wabash Valley Service Company     | \$761.29     |
| Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C. | \$570.00     |
| TOTAL ELECTRIC                    | \$194,049.23 |

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| <u>WATER</u>                    |            |
| Birch Auto Service & Towing     | \$204.00   |
| Card Service Center             | \$400.00   |
| EJ Water Cooperative, Inc.      | \$72.00    |
| Hach Company                    | \$268.05   |
| Hawkins & Company               | \$3,600.00 |
| Hawkins, Inc.                   | \$287.42   |
| Itron                           | \$2,027.14 |
| Jasper County Health Department | \$95.00    |
| Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware | \$193.26   |
| Kirchner Building Centers       | \$12.99    |
| Midwest Meter Inc.              | \$6,205.00 |
| Newton Part Supply, Inc.        | \$21.48    |
| Online Information Services     | \$18.88    |

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| Total Printing Systems           | \$381.00           |
| Tri-M Plumbing                   | \$120.00           |
| Utility Pipe Sales, Inc.         | \$12,410.00        |
| Wabash Valley Service Co.        | \$455.34           |
| Tyler Weber                      | \$618.27           |
| Weber, Heap, Ayres, Greene, P.C. | \$100.00           |
| <b>TOTAL WATER</b>               | <b>\$27,489.83</b> |

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| <u>WWT</u>                      |                   |
| A-J Welding & Steel Inc.        | \$250.00          |
| Bio Chem, Inc.                  | \$999.00          |
| Bradford Supply Co.             | \$57.32           |
| Butler Supply Inc.              | \$154.88          |
| Hinckley Springs                | \$91.44           |
| Hometown Register               | \$43.40           |
| Itron                           | \$2,027.14        |
| Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware | \$14.24           |
| Kirchner Building Centers       | \$73.78           |
| McClane Motor Sales, Inc.       | \$892.10          |
| Newton Part Supply, Inc.        | \$255.08          |
| Online Information Services     | \$18.88           |
| Richards Electric               | \$2,222.15        |
| Schulte Supply, Inc.            | \$1,411.64        |
| Terminix International          | \$63.34           |
| USA BlueBook                    | \$61.24           |
| Wabash Valley Service Co.       | \$632.51          |
| <b>TOTAL WWT</b>                | <b>\$9,268.14</b> |

TOTAL PAYABLES =
\$460,051.77

General Fund

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|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| William Heap                         | \$150.00    |
| Ameren Illinois                      | \$1,667.50  |
| Sparklight                           | \$275.10    |
| First Baptist Church                 | \$2,500.00  |
| Jasper County Clerk                  | \$99.00     |
| Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. | \$2,401.15  |
| LIUNA National Pension Fund          | \$4,639.02  |
| CIMCO                                | \$30.00     |
| City of Newton                       | \$4,436.79  |
| AT & T Mobility                      | \$256.92    |
| Purchase Power                       | \$252.43    |
| Eastern Illinois University          | \$70.00     |
| Tractor Supply Credit Plan           | \$325.98    |
| Metro Communications                 | \$761.28    |
| Maggie McDonald                      | \$50.63     |
| Amy Tarr                             | \$16.64     |
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|                                      | \$17,932.44 |

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| Standard Insurance Company          | \$157.61 |
| Standard Insurance Company - vision | \$154.00 |
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|                                     | \$311.61 |

Payroll

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| Policemen's Benevolent Labor Committee | \$945.00   |
| Adam Bridges                           | \$6.00     |
| Sean Brody                             | \$6.00     |
| Greg Coker                             | \$6.00     |
| Adam Deckard                           | \$6.00     |
| Sandra Dhorn                           | \$6.00     |
| Jeremy Haycraft                        | \$6.00     |
| James Riddle                           | \$6.00     |
| Sarah Carter                           | \$6.00     |
| State Disbursement Unit                | \$86.76    |
| Local 1197 Secretary Treasurer         | \$495.00   |
| Standard Insurance Company             | \$223.32   |
| AFLAC                                  | \$924.58   |
| Standard Insurance Company -Vision     | \$90.44    |
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|                                        | \$2,813.10 |

Specials

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| Moran Econovic Development, LLC | \$11,433.69 |
| Luminare Health Benefits        | \$2,418.20  |
| City of Newton                  | \$16.14     |
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|                                 | \$13,868.03 |

TIF

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| Wolf Eye Care, Inc.          | \$24,631.40 |
| JEDI                         | \$248.80    |
| Expert Collision Center, LLC | \$4,950.00  |
| JEDI                         | \$100.00    |
| West End Reception & Events  | \$4,950.00  |
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|                              | \$34,880.20 |

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| McCarty Improvement Company | \$4,691.80 |
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Electric

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| Ameren Illinois                      | \$65.88      |
| Illinois Power Marketing             | \$163,182.42 |
| Sparklight                           | \$115.57     |
| Norris Electric Cooperative          | \$135.25     |
| Caterpillar Financial Services Corp. | \$2,401.16   |
| Newton Post Office                   | \$202.13     |
| City of Newton                       | \$543.26     |
| Purchase Power                       | \$252.44     |
| Tractor Supply Credit Plan           | \$99.98      |
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|                                      | \$166,998.09 |

Water

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|------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Tax Exempt Leasing Corp                  | \$50,000.00 |
| Ameren Illinois                          | \$88.25     |
| UPS                                      | \$48.97     |
| Illinois Environmental Protection Agency | \$10.00     |
| Sparklight                               | \$97.25     |
| Newton Post Office                       | \$202.13    |
| Purchase Power                           | \$252.44    |
| CNH Industrial Accounts                  | \$3,564.66  |
| City of Newton                           | \$1,829.38  |
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|                                          | \$56,093.08 |

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| Tax Exempt Leasing Corp      | \$40,403.45 |
| Ameren Illinois              | \$75.27     |
| Sparklight                   | \$97.25     |
| Newton Post Office           | \$202.13    |
| City of Newton               | \$4,783.23  |
| CNH Industrial Accounts      | \$3,564.65  |
| Purchase Power               | \$252.44    |
| Marion County Horizon Center | \$250.00    |
| Tractor Supply Credit Plan   | \$211.70    |
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|                              | \$49,840.12 |

Total Prepays = \$347,428.47