OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE NEWTON CITY COUNCIL
108 N. VAN BUREN St.
NEWTON, IL 62448
April 21, 2026

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 Kaleb Wright
   Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Alderman Kaleb
3. ROLL CALL: Brenda Phillips, Deputy Clerk
   Physically present: Gayle Glumac, Kaleb Wright, Larry Brooks, RJ Lindemann, Eric Blake and Mike Swick
   Also present: Attorney William Heap, Treasurer Melissa Brooks and Deputy Clerk Brenda Phillips
   Absent: City Clerk Maggie McDonald
4. ADOPT OR AMEND AGENDA:
   Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to adopt the amended agenda adding Potential Litigation to Executive Session.
   Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick
   Nays: None
5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES of April 7, 2026.
   Motion was made by Kaleb Wright, seconded by RJ Lindemann, to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2026 meeting of the Newton City Council.
   Ayes: Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac
   Nays: None
6. APPROVAL OF BILLS & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:
   Alderman Lindemann reviewed the pre-paids in the amount of 71,874.57 and the bills and accounts payable earlier today and makes a motion to approve the pre-paids and authorize payment of the bills and accounts payable in the amount of 227,154.52. Kaleb Wright seconded the motion.
   Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks
   Nays: None
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS OR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

- Electric Committee Meeting on Monday, April 20, 2026 at 5:30 PM. (Waiting on minutes.)
- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting on Monday, April 20, 2026 immediately following the Electric Committee Meeting. (Waiting on minutes.)
- Police and Building Permit Committee Meeting on Monday, April 20, 2026 immediately following the Finance and Audit Committee Meeting. (Waiting on minutes.)

9. OLD BUSINESS:
   A. Consider and act on awarding the bid for the Electric Line D Installation Bid.
   Motion was made by Gayle Glumac, seconded by Kaleb Wright, to award the bid for the Electric Line D Installation Project to BH Electric in the amount of $143,050.
   Ayes: Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks
   Nays: Lindemann
   B. Consider and act on awarding the bid for the Electric Line D Material Bid.
   Motion was made by Gayle Glumac, seconded by Kaleb Wright, to table awarding the bid for the Electric Line D Material Project to the May 5 meeting.
   Ayes: Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake
   Nays: None
   C. Consider and act on authorizing the Invoice to Hawkins & Company for the purchase of a water chlorine generator in the amount of $41,377. This purchase is included in the 26/27 Water Department Budget.
   Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the Invoice to Hawkins & Company for the purchase of a water chlorine

generator in the amount of $41,377. This purchase is included in the Water Department Budget.
Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick
Nays: None

D. Consider and act on authorizing Pay Estimate #1 to B & T Drainage for the Watermain Replacement Project on E. Reynolds St. in the amount of $205,544.85.
Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize Pay Estimate #1 to B & T Drainage for the Watermain Replacement Project on E. Reynolds St. in the amount of $205,544.85.
Ayes: Wright, Brooks, Blake, Swick, Glumac
Nays: Lindemann

E. Consider and act on authorizing the Invoice to Stone & Waggoner for the Watermain Replacement Project on E. Reynolds St. in the amount of $40,562.32.
Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the Invoice to Stone & Waggoner for the Watermain Replacement Project on E. Reynolds St. in the amount of $40,562.32.
Ayes: Brooks, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright
Nays: Lindemann

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consider and act on authorizing the TIF Application submitted for 202 Museum Dr. by West End Reception and Events.
Motion was made by Kaleb Wright, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the TIF Application submitted for 202 Museum Dr. by West End Reception and Events for 50% of the total project cost, up to the amount of $4,787.62.
Ayes: Blake, Swick, Wright, Glumac, Brooks
Nays: Lindemann

B. Consider and act on authorizing the TIF Application submitted for 1107 S. Van Buren St. by Wad It Up Transport, Inc.
Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the TIF Application submitted for 1107 S. Van Buren St. by Wad It Up Transport, Inc. for 50% of the total project cost, in the amount up to $5,000.
Ayes: Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann
Nays: None

C. Consider and act on authorizing the TIF Application submitted for 307 W. Jourdan by Meyer Funeral Home.
Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the TIF Application submitted for 307 W. Jourdan by Meyer Funeral Home for 50% of the total project cost, up to the amount of $5,000.
Ayes: Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake
Nays: None

D. Consider and act on passing Ordinance 26-02 Replacing Chapter 11 Electric System Economic Incentives 11-3-1 (A)(3) Year 6 – Graduated Industrial Rate Revenue Neutral Shift from PCA to Electric Service Charge.
Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to pass Ordinance 26-02 Replacing Chapter 11 Electric System Economic Incentives 11-3-1 (A)(3) Year 6 – Graduated Industrial Rate Revenue Neutral Shift of .03 from PCA to Electric Service Charge.
Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick
Nays: None

E. Consider and act on passing Resolution 26-05 Resolution for MFT Street Maintenance Program.

Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Larry Brooks, to pass Resolution 26-05 Resolution for MFT Street Maintenance Program.
Ayes: Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac
Nays: None

F. Consider and act on authorizing the Estimate of Maintenance Costs for the MFT Street Maintenance Program (annual general maintenance supplies).
Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Kaleb Wright, to authorize the Estimate of Maintenance Costs for the MFT Street Maintenance Program (annual general maintenance supplies).
Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright
Nays: None

G. Consider and act on authorizing the 2026/2027 fiscal year budget (General Fund, Electric, Water and Wastewater).
Motion was made by Kaleb Wright, seconded by Larry Brooks, to authorize the 2026-2027 fiscal year budget (General Fund, Electric, Water and Wastewater).
Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks
Nays: None

H. Consider and act on authorizing the 2026/2027 fiscal year Insurance and Specials budget.
Motion was made by Kaleb Wright seconded by Mike Swick, to authorize the 2026/2027 fiscal year Insurance and Specials budget.
Ayes: Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann
Nays: None

I. Consider and act on passing Resolution 26-06 for the Interfund Loan from the General Fund to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.
Motion was made by Kaleb Wright, seconded by Mike Swick, to pass Resolution 26-06 for the Interfund Loan from the General Fund to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.
Ayes: Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks
Nays: Lindemann, Blake

J. Consider and act on passing Resolution 26-07 for the Interfund Loan from the Electric Department to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.
Motion was made by Kaleb Wright, seconded by Larry Brooks, to pass Resolution 26-07 for the Interfund Loan from the Electric Department to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.
Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Swick
Nays: Lindemann, Blake

K. Consider and act on passing Resolution 26-08 for the Interfund Loan from the Water Department Fund to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.
Motion was made by Larry Brooks, seconded by Mike Swick, to pass Resolution 26-08 for the Interfund Loan from the Water Department Fund to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.

Ayes: Wright, Brooks, Swick, Glumac
Nays: Lindemann, Blake

L. Consider and act on passing Resolution 26-09 for the Interfund Loan from the Wastewater Department Fund to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.
Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Kaleb Wright, to pass Resolution 26-09 for the Interfund Loan from the Wastewater Department Fund to the Social Security Fund to offset the shortfall from levied funds. This loan will be paid back with interest once the levied funds are received for the year.
Ayes: Brooks, Swick, Glumac, Wright
Nays: Lindemann, Blake

M. Consider and act on authorizing the Letter of Intent between the City of Newton and the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Illinois Routes 33 and 130 Resurfacing Project.
Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Kaleb Wright, to authorize the Letter of Intent between the City of Newton and the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Illinois Routes 33 and 130 Resurfacing Project.
Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks
Nays: None

N. Consider and act on authorizing the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Newton and the Laborers' International Union of North America, the Downstate Illinois Laborers' Local 1197.
Motion was made by Mike Swick, seconded by Gayle Glumac to authorize the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Newton and the Laborers' International Union of North America, the Downstate Illinois Laborers' Local 1197.
Ayes: Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann
Nays: None

11. STATEMENTS BY:

Glumac: Thanked the departments for all their hard work on the budgets.
Wright: None
Brooks: None
Lindemann: Presented utility billing and payment adjustments. Happy with budgets to include budgeting a new substation. Commented the departments are leaning too high on the levy, referencing agenda items 10-I, 10-J, 10-K, and 10-L. Wants to abolish Capital development Fund.
Blake: None
Swick: Go Cubs! 6 wins in a row!
City Attorney: None
City Treasurer: Thanked everyone for help on the budgets.
Deputy Clerk: 2 PO's (Electric Department)

1. Electric Department PO#41-30 to JDC for the rental of a backyard digger mounted on utility trailer for 56 days, plus delivery and pickup, in the amount of $16,900.
   Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to authorize the Electric Department PO#41-30 to JDC for the rental of a backyard digger mounted on utility trailer for 56 days, plus delivery and pickup, in the amount of $16,900.
   Ayes: Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake
   Nays: None

2. Electric Department PO #43-30 to S.D. Myers for transformer oil sampling materials. The total cost, including the sampling kit and round-trip shipping for laboratory analysis, is $3,968.00
   Motion was made by Gayle Glumac, seconded by RJ Lindemann, to authorize the Electric Department PO #43-30 to S.D. Myers for transformer oil sampling materials. The total cost, including the sampling kit and round-trip shipping for laboratory analysis, is $3,968.
   Ayes: Glumac, Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick
   Nays: None

Mayor: Thanked Melissa, Rachael and Stacy in the Treasurer's Office for all their help and hard work on the budgets.

12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: **May 5, 2026 at 6:00 PM**
    SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETINGS:
13. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
    Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to go out of open session and into closed session to discuss potential litigation pursuant to the exceptions section of the Open Meetings Act pertaining to those areas of discussion.
    Ayes: Wright, Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac
    Nays: None

Open session suspended at 6:51 PM.

Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Kaleb Wright, to go out of closed session and back into open session.
Ayes: Brooks, Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright
Nays: None

Open session resumed at 7:06 PM.
Mayor Kuhl announced that during closed session the council discussed potential litigation.

14. ADJOURNMENT:
    Motion was made by RJ Lindemann, seconded by Gayle Glumac, to adjourn the meeting.
    Ayes: Lindemann, Blake, Swick, Glumac, Wright, Brooks
    Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.

Submitted by:
Brenda Phillips
Deputy Clerk
Brenda Phillips

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE April 22, 2026

ZONING

Card Service Center		$1.80
Column Software		$78.32
Hometown Register		$30.00
	Total Zoning	$110.12

BAT

Card Service Center		$425.02
	Total Bat	$425.02

GOLF

Card Service Center		$144.98
Jason Allen Tree Service		$4,400.00
	Total Golf	$4,544.98

STREET

Arab Termite & Pest Control		$50.00
Bradford Supply Company		$1,343.12
Birch Auto Service & Towing		$358.00
Card Service Center		$2.70
CCI Redi Mix		$1,231.50
Clarke Mosquito Control Products		$5,574.03
Effingham Asphalt Co.		$847.00
Fabick Tractor Company		$2,067.81
4 Pings Trucking, Inc.		$5,651.80
Kirchner Building Centers		$115.78
Midwest Tractor Sales		$90.11
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		$1,218.29
Sherwin Williams Co.		$1,547.50
Wabash Valley Service Company		$1,419.38
	Total Street	$21,517.02

POLICE

Arab Termite & Pest Control		$30.00
Birch Auto Service & Towing		$141.00
Card Service Center		$391.31
Cintas Corp.		$202.85
Cintas		$110.25
County of Jasper		$8,434.06
Foremost Promotions (police grant)		$1,952.94
Global Technical Systems, Inc.		$127.26
Jansen's Heating & Air Conditioning		$373.00
Lorenz Supply Company		$33.46
Judy McClure's Signs & Graphics		$125.00
Kelsey Muska		$350.00
Kim Muska		$350.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		$61.33
Ray O'Herron		$1,180.40
P.F. Pettibone & Co.		$22.00
Wabash Valley Service Company		$1,191.46
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.		$2,748.00
	Total Police	$17,824.32

CEMETERY

Denny Noblit/Noblit Mowing & Digging		$1,500.00
Jesse Yager		$600.00
	Total Cemetery	$2,100.00

PARK

Birch Auto Service & Towing		$48.00
Card Service Center		$1.80
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware		$48.32
Kirchner Building Centers		$222.37
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		$54.07
Denny Noblit/Noblit Mowing & Digging		$1,050.00
Rex Vault Service		$2,520.00
Sloan Implement Company, Inc.		$159.14
South Central FS, Inc.		$19.56
Wabash Valley Service Company		$329.54
	Total Park	$4,452.80

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Arab Termite & Pest Control		$30.00
Card Service Center		$698.64
Crawford Guttering		$2,300.00
Giffin Winning Cohen & Bodewes, P.C.		$100.00
Illinois Municipal Treasurers Assoc.		$100.00
Jansen's Heating & Air Conditioning		$373.00
Kemper Technology Consulting		$3,834.63
Lorenz Supply Company		$33.46
Kelsey Muska		$350.00
Kim Muska		$350.00
Office Essentials		$248.45
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.		$384.00
	Total General Administration	$8,802.18

POOL

Arab Termite & Pest Control		$30.00
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware		$121.32
JWC Home Services		$199.00
Kirchner Building Centers		$9.99
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		$32.19
	Total Pool	$392.50
	TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS	$60,168.94

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

Anixter, Inc. (pickleball lights)		$12,570.53
	Total Capital Development	$12,570.53

TIF

CCI Redi Mix		$424.00
Hometown Register		$1,237.50
Stone & Waggoner Consulting Engineers		$3,262.54
Weber, Heap, Ayres & Greene, P.C.		$216.00
	Total TIF	$5,140.04
	TOTAL SPECIALS	$17,710.57

ELECTRIC

Anixter, Inc.		$1,547.95
Arab Termite & Pest Control		$50.00
BHMG Engineers, Inc.		$9,574.09
Card Service Center		$576.78
Column Software		$275.98
Echo Electric		$956.34
JM Test Systems		$685.50
Kemper Technology Consulting		$99.00
Kirchner Building Centers		$118.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		$408.76
Online Information Services		$21.84
Smithenry Trenching, Inc.		$6,559.00
Vision Metering, LLC.		$600.00
Wabash Valley Service Company		$754.59
	TOTAL ELECTRIC	$22,227.83

WATER

Bradford Supply Company		$514.60
Card Service Center		$518.02
CCI Redi Mix		$520.50
Column Software		$127.76
EJ Water Cooperative, Inc.		$20.00
Hach Company		$292.45
Hawkins, Inc.		$339.01
Kirchner Building Centers		$41.97
Midwest Meter, Inc.		$101,247.00
Newton Part Supply, Inc.		$782.26
Online Information Services		$21.84
Wabash Valley Service Company		$338.65
	TOTAL WATER	$104,764.06

WWT

Arab Termite & Pest Control	$35.00
Card Service Center	$427.45
Cintas	$89.17
Fehrenbacher Truck & Trailer Repair, Inc.	$347.38
Industrial Chem Labs & Services, Inc.	$145.11
Jasper Clothiers	$262.70
Steve Jones Plumbing & Hardware	$2.27
Newton Part Supply, Inc.	$771.29
Online Information Services	$21.84
Schulte Supply, Inc.	$72.85
Stone & Waggoner Consulting Engineers	$17,822.00
USA BlueBook	$1,238.62
Wabash Valley Service Company	$1,047.44
TOTAL WWT	$22,283.12

TOTAL PAYABLES = $227,154.52

Prepaids April 22, 2026

General Fund

Sean Brody (replace lost check from November)	$31.95
Verizon Wireless	$108.03
Ameren Illinois	$1,070.48
Purchase Power	$252.43
Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation	$2,401.15
AT & T Mobility	$256.97
City of Newton	$1,258.74
Illinois Department of Agriculture Bureau of Environmental Programs-Sean Inyart Applicator License	$180.00
MCC Network Services LLC	$1,115.93
William Heap	$150.00
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	$114.95
Kent Greeson (dumpster reimbursement 607 Arca Lot #9	$1,199.88
Newton Library	$707.41
	$8,847.92

Payroll

Local 1197 Secreaty Treasurer	$920.00
Policemans Benevolent Labor Committee	$600.00
NCPERS Group Life Insurance	$128.00
State Disbursement Unit-Greg Coker	$130.14
AFLAC (replace lost check from February)	$1,095.78
Standard Insurance Company-Life Insurance	$254.80
AFLAC	$1,095.78
Standard Insurance Company-Vision Insurance	$103.68
	$4,328.18

Insuance A

Standard Insurance Company-Life Insurance	$182.00
Standard Insurance Company-Vision Insurance	$175.00
	$357.00

Specials

Luminare Health Benefits	$3,064.05
City Of Newton	$1.07
Symetra Life Insurance Company	$38,210.00
	$41,275.12

MFT

$0.00

TIF

$0.00

Electric

ERBA	$49.08
Verizon Wireless	$144.29
Ameren Illinois	$250.10
Purchase Power	$252.44
Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation	$2,401.16
Newton Post Office	$210.92
Norris Electric Cooperative	$134.78
City of Newton	$683.04
MCC Network Services LLC	$116.19
Petty Cash Collector	$10.40
Illinois Department of Agriculture Bureau of Environmental Programs-Matt Tarr Applicator License	$180.00
	$4,432.40

Water

Verizon Wireless	$36.01
Ameren Illinois	$387.98
Purchase Power	$252.44
Newton Post Office	$210.91
City of Newton	$2,820.57
MCC Network Services LLC	$116.19
Petty Cash Collector	$10.40
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	$16.99
Adam Painter-Boot Allowance	$25.00
	$3,876.49

Wastewater

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency-Brent Benefiel Test	$10.00
Verizon Wireless	$85.39
Ameren Illinois	$271.36
Purchase Power	$252.44
Newton Post Office	$210.91
City of Newton	$7,800.77
MCC Network Services LLC	$116.19
Petty Cash Collector	$10.40
	$8,757.46

Total Prepaids = $71,874.57