

TOWN OF NEWLAND
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

JULY 6, 2021

6:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROPOSED AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENTS

GREG GREENE

(LOWES BUILDING)

LAND PARTNERS

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

(CELL TOWER LEASE)

NEW BUSINESS

TOWN OF NEWLAND
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

JUNE 1, 2021

6:00 PM

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Valerie Jaynes

ATTORNEY: Joe Seegers

ALDERMAN: Kenny Caraway, Dave Calvert(absent) James C. Johnson, Lauren Turbyfill,
Christie Hughes

GUESTS: Mark Scruggs, Luke Barber

STAFF: Chief Byron Clawson, Colby Benfield, Tammy Gardner

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The mayor then led the audience in the pledge to the American flag.

Kenny made a motion to approve the proposed agenda. James seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

James made a motion to approve the May minutes. Christie seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

In Public comments: Mark Scruggs discussed a new Sharp copier that would replace the old one the Town now has. Mr. Scruggs discussed the differences in this copier and how it would save on ink. After discussion, Kenny made a motion to accept the copier deal with Sharp. Lauren seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

Chief Byron Clawson gave the police report. Chief Clawson stated the department was doing well and the officers were starting to get some vacation time off. James asked how the canine was doing. Chief Clawson stated he was doing good.

Colby Benfield gave the public works report. Colby stated they had been doing street repairs. Colby stated they repaired the pump station on Banner Hill. Colby stated he took a test in Hickory and the next test would be in August. Coby stated the inspection of the wastewater plant was coming up. Christie asked about the accident on the front porch of the building. Colby stated he was taking the test in Hickory when it happened, but sent the boys to fix the porch, once back he checked to make sure it was fixed. Everything about the accident was turned over to the Town attorney.

In old business: The board discussed the cell tower lease. James made a motion to table the cell tower lease till the Town attorney could look over the lease. Christie seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

In new business: The Mayor asked about the Resolution to accept American Rescue Plan Act Funds. James made a motion to accept the American Rescue Plan Act Resolution. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried. Kenny asked about paying Whitney Townsend her vacation pay. Christie stated she would rather go into closed session to discuss that.

The Mayor asked about signees on the financial accounts. The Mayor stated they need to take Lise Meinhardt's name off the financial accounts at the bank. Christie made a motion to drop Lise Meinhardt from the financial accounts at the bank. James seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

James made a motion to go into closed session for personnel. Christie seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

Upon returning to open session the Mayor announced no decision was made.

James made a motion to advertise the Administrator/Finance Officer position. Lauren seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

Kenny made a motion to pay Whitney Townsend her vacation pay. Lauren seconded the motion. James agreed Christie did not agree. Motion carried.

Kenny made a motion to eliminate the part time person. Lauren seconded the motion. James and Christie disagreed. The Mayor called the tie. The Mayor stated the part time employee was told she could work till June 24th. The Mayor stated she would let her float until then.

Kenny made a motion to adjourn. James seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Mayor, Valerie Jaynes

Clerk, Tammy Gardner

TOWN OF NEWLAND

PUBLIC HEARING

JUNE 8, 2021

5:45 PM

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Valerie Jaynes

ATTORNEY: Joe Seegers (absent)

ALDERMAN: Kenny Caraway(absent), James C. Johnson(absent), Lauren Turbyfill

Christie Hughes, Dave Calvert

STAFF: Colby Benfield, Michael Fields, Tammy Gardner

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm. The board discussed the proposed budget for 2021/2022.

Christie made a motion to adjourn. Lauren seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

Mayor Valerie Jaynes

Clerk, Tammy Gardner

TOWN OF NEWLAND

SPECIAL MEETING

JUNE 8, 2021

6:00 pm

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Valerie Jaynes

ATTORNEY: Joe Seegers(absent)

ALDERMAN: Kenny Caraway(absent) James C. Johnson(absent) Lauren Turbyfill
Christie Hughes, Dave Calvert.

STAFF: Colby Benfield, Michael Fields, Tammy Gardner

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Dave made a motion to approve the 2021/2022 fiscal budget. Christie seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

Christie made a motion to adjourn. Dave seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

Mayor Valerie Jaynes

Clerk, Tammy Gardner