

Newton Town Council Meeting
July 10, 2019, 7:00 P.M.
Newton Town Hall, 51 South Center, Newton UT
Minutes

Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Opening Ceremony
3. Approval of June 2019 Minutes
4. Youth Council Update
5. Town Celebration Update
6. Historic Cabin Update
7. Report on Mayor/Council Member Assignments
8. Closed meeting to choose outstanding citizen

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members present.

Members present: Mayor Kevin Rhodes, Kathryn Rigby, Gordon Anderson, and Jed Woodward.

Karla Ferguson (Recorder) Absent: Randy Jones

Others present: Terri Rhodes, Susie Maughan, Maryann Gualtier and Deputy Bennett. Carrie Milligan arrived at 7:30.

2. Opening ceremony was conducted by Gordon Anderson.

3. The May 2019 meeting minutes were approved.

5. Town Celebration Update – Maryann Gualtier discussed the activities planned for the town celebration. They plan to have the mud pit but will have those participating or their parents sign a release form. They will also have the area fenced off and caution signs. They will have a separate bounce house area for younger children. Kathryn Rigby received approval from the Town Council to purchase canopies. Mayor Rhodes will lend his portable picnic tables to place under the canopies. Karla Ferguson received approval to purchase a microphone and speaker stands for the sound system. The committee received approval to rent two port-o-potties to place by the mud pit area. The Sheriff department plans to have their specialty units available for demonstrations on Saturday with the K-9 unit and life flight helicopter. Ideas for cashiers and placement canopies and activities were discussed.

4. Youth Council Update – Carrie Milligan reported that 55 youth and 12 adults attended the Youth Council's movie night at the ball diamond. They served hot dogs, popcorn, played games and watched the movie "The Sandlot". The youth council will work on decorating the Town float and plan to be in a few parades. Carrie has purchased a cover for the float. The youth council will begin accepting applications for youth council. The applications will be due September 1.

5. Historic cabin – Carrie Milligan reported that they have begun to install the floor for the cabin and are building tresses. They had their plans approved and have had an inspection. They plan to have a cabin dedication program at the Town Celebration on Friday, July 26 at 5 p.m. Gordon Anderson will follow up with them on getting their building permit paid.

Other business: Terri Rhodes has been working on digitizing the Town Code. Terri has completed Titles 1-3. She has also updated references to the Utah Code. Some questions and possible changes to the code were discussed. Terri will email the digitized code and the suggested changes for the Town Council to review.

10. Report on Mayor/ Council Member Assignments – Gordon Anderson reported that the Planning Commission needs a replacement member for Kevin Parkinson and another replacement in the fall for Dale Mohlman. Gordon discussed his ideas for the tennis court about adding lower brackets to the current posts for a pickleball net. Kathryn will attend the Cache County Council meeting on July 30th to see if they will reallocate RAPZ grant money to resurface the tennis courts and to add two pickleball courts on one side. It was discussed if the courts are resurfaced then the ice rink will need to be relocated.

Mayor Rhodes is working on a leak with the sprinklers at Clarke park. Mayor Rhodes will purchase light fixtures for the Town Hall hallway. There is a water leak in front of the Town Hall but they will wait until after the celebration to repair it because of the digging that will have to occur. Jed Woodward has repaired 2 water leaks in the last week. Jed Woodward discussed that Gaylen Maughan had to pay increased taxes on the land that was deeded to the Town for a right-of-way on 200 West because it was land taken out of green belt. Jed proposed that the Town pay for the increase difference. Jed will get a copy of the receipt for taxes for the Town to pay. Jed discussed areas of concern where items or vehicles are placed on the town right-of-way. Mayor Rhodes will follow up with property owners in areas of concern. Jed discussed that some of the water pipe that was installed in the 80's is going brittle and that seems to be what he is repairing now. We have received our report that the redeveloped springs are now conforming and we have a permit to operate them and can use the water from the spring. Kevin Rhodes discussed his findings about treatment facilities and State of Utah regulations. Carrie Milligan discussed that Lt. Governor Spencer Cox, who is running for Governor, will stop in Newton on July 31 about 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. He would like to visit and do a service project. Carrie will have the Youth Council attend and is arranging for a service project or tractors. Carrie also reported that the Utah Governor's office is sending a letter to commemorate Newton's 150 years. The deputy chief of staff assistant will read the letter at the Friday night town celebration. Jed Woodward will apply for funding with UDOT to finish the sidewalk around the park. Mayor Rhodes attends the County corridor meeting and would like ideas on roads that he could pass along. Next month's meeting will include a public hearing for the proposed tax increase.

11. Closed meeting to choose the "Outstanding Citizen" –Those in attendance: Gordon Anderson, Kevin Rhodes, Jed Woodward, Kathryn Rigby, and Karla Ferguson.

The meeting was adjourned.
Minutes prepared by:

Karla R. Ferguson, Newton Town Clerk

Approval Date