

Newton Planning Commission Meeting
February 9, 2023, 7:00 P.M.
Newton Town Hall, 51 South Center, Newton UT
Minutes

Agenda

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Opening Ceremony Martin Empey
3. Approval of January 2023, minutes
4. Draft water exaction code review
5. Adjournment

1. Roll Call

Members present: Martin Empey, Barry Myers and Rich Olsen

Karla Ferguson – Recorder.

Absent: Justin Cooley, and Reid Smith

Others present: Brett Petersen

2. Opening Ceremony – by Martin Empey

3. Minutes for January 2023, approved.

Other business: Rich Olsen asked Karla Ferguson to review changes required to Newton's code regarding changes by state code for misdemeanors to infractions. Karla discussed recommendations by the town attorney and reviewed Utah code 10-3-703 and 78B-6-1101. Newton code that may need to be adjusted is 5-1-10-(f) and 5-1-7- (c). Our attorney suggested reviewing other communities code that include these changes. Members were encouraged to look at our code and review other communities code regarding this.

4. Draft water exaction code review – Brett Petersen reviewed water exaction code received from the town engineer, Eric Dursteler. The code recommended to research further is from Grantsville and American Fork. Brett Petersen discussed water studies that might be needed by a development and development agreements for water. Impact fees and development agreements were discussed. Barry Myers asked to clarify in the code when a conveyance of water is required for major subdivisions and not minor subdivision, including a time period of development. There was a discussion on conveyance of water. Barry Myers explained the point of diversion and place of use for water rights. Planning Commission members discussed water shares and secondary water. American Fork's exaction code was reviewed. Items from that code were discussed to include in our draft. Brett Petersen plans to adjust the discussed example code, make edits, and email the draft to planning commission members for review.

The meeting adjourned.

Minutes prepared by: _____
Karla R. Ferguson, Newton Town Clerk Approval Date