

New Plymouth City Council Meeting  
MONDAY  
18 September 2017  
6:30 P.M.  
New Plymouth City Council Chambers

On the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2017, the New Plymouth City Council meeting was called to order at 6:30P.M. by Mayor Earles. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman York. Roll call was taken with council members Rick York, Bill Warnke, Cora Kurth and Ron Rouse in attendance.

Staff members in attendance were City Clerk, Danielle Painter, and City Engineer, Andy Gehrke.

Guests included, Kristin Dougherty, Lee Abrams, Kelly Perryman, Arden Casper, Shanna Decker, Tom Hoppell, Lisa Binggeli, Debbie Mills, Elizabeth Isaac, and Margaret Sewell-Dewey.

Consent Agenda – The consent agenda included the September 5<sup>th</sup> City Council minutes, August Public Works Report, Sheriff's Report, August Financial Report, and claim approvals totaling \$45,104.00. **Councilman Warnke moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Kurth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

#### Public Hearings

Mr. Abrams and Mr. Perryman presented a request for Zone and Comp. Plan Change for 100 & 112 S. Plymouth Avenue changing the current zone from Commercial to Residential C.

Public Testimony was heard from the following:

Kristin Dougherty, 102 S. Plymouth Avenue

Lisa Binggeli, 100 E Garrett

Debbie Mills, 108 SW Blvd.

The hearing was closed at 6:47 p.m.

Mayor Earles opened the floor for public testimony regarding an 8% increase on the sewer base charge.

Public Testimony was heard from the following:

Elizabeth Isaac, 708 Cherry St.

Shanna Decker, 328 W Blvd.

Tom Hoppell, 209 E McKinley St.

The hearing was closed at 6:55 p.m.

#### New Business

Zone & Comp Plan Change, 100 & 112 S Plymouth Avenue -

**Councilman Warnke moved to accept the Zone & Comp. Plan change from Commercial to Residential C. Councilman York seconded the motion. Councilman Rouse abstained from voting. The motion passed with majority voting.**

Sewer Rate Increase to 8% -

**Councilman York moved to approve the 8% increase on the sewer base rate. Councilman Rouse seconded the motion. Motion passed in favor of and Councilwoman Kurth opposed.**

Water Tower Lease, Tekfinity, LLC. –

**Councilman York moved to start negotiations and have City Attorney, Bert Osborn to review contract. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

#### Ordinances

ORDINANCE 364 – Authorizing Rates by Resolution

**Councilman Rouse moved to read by title only. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. The voting passed in favor of the motion with Councilwoman Kurth opposing.**

City Clerk, Danielle Painter read Ordinance 364 aloud by title only. **Councilman Warnke moved to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> reading and suspend the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Councilman Rouse seconded the motion. The voting passed in favor of the motion with Councilwoman Kurth opposing.**

**Councilman Warnke moved to adopt Ordinance 364. Councilman Rouse seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken, Councilman Rouse – yes, Councilman Warnke – yes, Councilwoman Kurth – no, and Councilman York – yes. Motion passed 3 yes's to 1 no.**

RESOLUTION 2017-04 – Water & Sewer Fees

**Councilman Rouse moved to approve and adopt Resolution 2017-04. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. The voting passed in favor of the motion with Councilwoman Kurth opposing.**

Mayor & Council Comments

Councilman Warnke stated he hopes that he is not put in the position again to have to raise rates so high.

Adjournment

**Councilman Warnke moved to adjourn the council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kurth. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

Approve:

Attest:

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Beth Earles, Mayor

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Danielle Painter, City Clerk