New Plymouth City Council Meeting TUESDAY 21 January 2014 7:00 pm New Plymouth City Council Chambers (Library)

On the 21st of January, 2014, the New Plymouth city council meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 pm by Mayor Joe Cook. Roll call was taken with council members Warnke, York and Kurth in attendance. Councilman Mayer was not present for the meeting.

Staff members in attendance were Danielle Painter and Beau Ziemer.

Regular Agenda – Councilman York moved to approve regular agenda. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Consent Agenda – Councilman Warnke moved to approve consent agenda. Councilman Kurth seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Old Business

Ben Esplin Recognition – Former Councilman Esplin was not in attendance. **Councilman York moved to** take the motion off the table and to send the recognition plaque to Former Councilman Esplin. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

New Business

Nancy Davis – Senior Citizens Center – Ms. Davis introduced herself to the council and stated that she had been appointed as the new Senior Center Coordinator. She then requested a continuation of the water bill discount for the Center that the council had granted in past years. **Councilman York moved to approve the request of a water bill discount for the Senior Center. Councilman Kurth seconded the motion.** The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

December Financial Report – City Clerk Painter presented a financial statement to the council for the month of December. She briefly discussed the audit performed by ITD concerning the Holly St. project and stated that all the files had been in order and everything had been accounted for. She also mentioned that the city would finally be receiving a large reimbursement check in February for some of the project costs. Mayor Cook commented that he was very pleased with the work that City Clerk Painter put into the financial reports each month and appreciated her efforts.

Mountain West Institute Conference – City Clerk Painter stated that the upcoming conference would be held March 19-21, 2014 in Boise and requested the approval of council for herself and Deputy Clerk Gina Christensen to attend. She commented that she felt it would be very beneficial for both clerks to attend due to the depth of information presented at the annual conference and the credits earned toward a CMC license. City Clerk Painter then stated that because the cost would be \$250.00 per person, she felt she needed to request approval before registering. She also mentioned that she had a substitute in mind to fill in at the office. Councilman York moved to approve attendance at the Mountain West Institute Conference for City Clerk Painter and Deputy Clerk Christensen. Councilman Warnke seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Ordinances and Resolutions

None

Open Forum

None

Mayor and Council Comments

Mayor Cook mentioned that he had attended the most recent ad hoc committee meeting for the Rural Fire District and was impressed with the work being done by the committee members. He especially commended Councilman York for his role on the committee and stated that he felt the city council was well represented. Councilman York then added that the next ad hoc committee meeting would be held on January 29th and the final meeting would be held on February 19th and then final recommendations would be made. Councilman Warnke commented on the email the city had received that morning concerning a candlelight vigil held for fallen police officer Wade Feldner the previous evening. He expressed concern that the author of the email accused the council of not attending and wondered if anyone present had been informed of the vigil. After a negative response, Councilman Warnke stated that he would like to smooth over any hard feelings by sending a response that assured the author of the continued concern and respect the city and council held for Officer Feldner and the desire to be informed of any vigils held in the future. City Clerk Painter volunteered to draft and send a timely response.

Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:32 pm.

Joe Cook, Mayor

Danielle Painter, City Clerk