

City of New Plymouth Council Meeting

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March 17, 2026

The New Plymouth City Council held a regular meeting at 215 N Plymouth Ave, New Plymouth, Idaho.

Mayor Tyson Flannery called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

Mayor led the **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Council Present:** Council-President James, Councilor Martinez, Councilor Michael Ware

**Council by Phone:** None

**Council Absent:** Councilor Josh Davis

**Staff Present:** Marianne Gatchell – Clerk, Stephanie Johnson – Treasurer, Melanie Cope – Librarian, Public Works Superintendent – Beau Ziemer

**Staff Absent:** Jill Holinka – City Attorney, Andy Gehrke – City Engineer

**Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:** None

**Declaration of Council Members' Discussion Outside an Open Meeting:** None

**COMMENT FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

**COUNCIL:** Councilor Ware asked about Civil Defense. Councilor Martinez asked about a Code Enforcement Officer and Mayor Flannery told the Council about some possible options that may be possible options in the future. Councilor Martinez – reminded everyone about Serve Day on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

**MAYOR:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. Approval of Minutes** – March 3, 2026, Regular Meeting.

**B. Approval of Accounts Payables**

Council-President James **MOVED TO** approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilor Martinez seconded the motion. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Public Hearing** for Ordinance 435 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW PLYMOUTH, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, AMENDING NEW PLYMOUTH CITY CODE TITLE XI ("ZONING"), AMENDING TITLE XII ("SUBDIVISIONS")

Mayor Flannery **OPENED** the Public Hearing at 6:12pm

Marianne Gatchell, City Clerk and Planning & Zoning Administrator, presented the staff information on the Ordinance as well as the favorable recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Mayor Flannery called for Public Input.

**FOR:**

**AGAINST:** Virginia Barton – gave testimony against the ordinance.

**NEUTRAL:**

Mayor Flannery called for any further public input three times.

Mayor Flannery **CLOSED** the Public Hearing at 6:31pm.

**Non-Consent Agenda**

**A.** Marianne Gatchell, City Clerk presented Ordinance 435. Council-President James **MOVED TO** approve ORDINANCE 435 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW PLYMOUTH, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, AMENDING NEW PLYMOUTH CITY CODE TITLE XI ("ZONING"), AMENDING TITLE XII ("SUBDIVISIONS") AND DISPENSE WITH THE RULE REQUIRING ORDINANCES BE READ ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS AND ONE IN FULL, AND THAT THE ORDINANCE BE READ ONCE BY TITLE ONLY. Councilor

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**Martinez** seconded the motion. **Roll Call Vote.** COUNCIL-PRESIDENT JAMES – AYE, COUNCILOR WARE – NO, COUNCILOR MARTINEZ – AYE. **2-AYES, 1-NAYS, 1- ABSENT. Motion Carried.**

Council-President James **MOVED TO** accept the first and only reading of Ordinance 435, direct the mayor to sign, and have the ordinance published in summary. Councilor Martinez seconded the motion. **Roll Call Vote.** COUNCIL-PRESIDENT JAMES – AYE, COUNCILOR WARE – NO, COUNCILOR MARTINEZ – AYE. **2-AYES, 1-NAYS, 1- ABSENT. Motion Carried.**

**DEPARTMENT/ ACTIVITY REPORTS**

- A. Clerk/Building/Planning & Zoning** – Marianne Gatchell gave monthly report
- B. Treasurer** – Stephanie Johnson – gave monthly report
- C. C. Library** – Melanie Cope, Director– gave monthly report
- D. Public Works** – Beau Ziemer – gave monthly report
- G. Engineer** – Andy Gehrke – No report.
- F. Payette County Paramedics** – No Report
- G. Payette County Sheriff** – No Report

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Ginny Barton – gave information on a multitude of topics.

Councilor Martinez **MOVED TO** adjourn. Seconded by Council Ware. **Motion Carried by voice vote.**

Meeting Adjourned 6:57p.m.

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**Mayor Tyson Flannery**

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**Marianne Gatchell, Clerk**