

City of Newdale

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January 2, 2020
8:00 p.m.

City Council Meeting

Present: Dal Schwendiman, Chad Stevens, Kevin Torgrimson, Raymonda Furness, Joeseeph Powell, Ferron Martineau, Susan Lott, John Briggs, Ann Schwendiman, Heidi Briggs, Andrea Powell, Whitley Powell, Donald Powell, Alva Powell, Don Powell Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated, and a prayer given by Dal Schwendiman.

Chad made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 5, 2019 City Council meeting. Raymonda seconded, all voted affirmative.

Dal made a motion to pay the bills submitted for the month of January 2020 Kevin seconded, all voted affirmative.

Mayor Martineau had Dal Schwendiman repeat the Oath of Office to be sworn in as Mayor for a 4-year term and then gave him his certificate of Election.

Mayor Schwendiman had Kevin Torgrimson repeat the Oath of Office to be sworn in as City Council for a 2-year term and then gave him his certificate of Election.

Mayor Schwendiman had Joseph Powell repeat the Oath of Office to be sworn in as City Council for a 4-year term and then gave him his certificate of Election.

Mayor Schwendiman had Raymonda Furness repeat the Oath of Office to be sworn in as City Council for a 4-year term and then gave him his certificate of Election.

The Council discussed meeting dates and times and it was agreed upon to leave City Council meeting on the 1st Thursday of each month at 8:00 pm.

Raymonda nominated Chad Stevens to be the Council President, Kevin seconded. All voted affirmative.

Mayor Schwendiman appointed Chad Stevens to be over the Road & Bridge department, Raymonda Furness to be over Park & Recreation, Kevin Torgrimson to be over the Water & Sewer Department and Joe Powell to be over Legal & Financial.

Raymonda made a motion to disband the Planning & Zoning Commission and the City Council will oversee any Planning & Zoning issues. Chad seconded, all voted affirmative.

Joe Powell gave the report from the Fremont County Sheriff's Office. This month there was a warrant served, a suspicious circumstance investigated, a welfare check, funeral assist and theft of the city Christmas light cords.

We have received the stickers that the vehicle will be towed to place on cars that are in the way of the snowplow. John or a Council member will start to place them on cars as needed. Dal has spoken with Newdale Towing about towing them as needed.

The Council discussed next year's Christmas Lighting. We will put a note in the City newsletter about having families "Adopt A Tree" for next year and see if anyone is interested.

The Council discussed getting a new City Computer. Joe made a motion to purchase a new computer, Kevin seconded. All voted affirmative.

The Council discussed banking fees and talked about setting it up so that residents could pay their utility bill online. The banks charge a fee for that which would have to be passed on to utility customers. The Council decided not to do that at this time and to make residents aware that they can go to their own bank website and use the bill pay feature for no charge.

The Council also discussed looking at changing banks to get a lesser fee for banking services. Susan will check out banking fees at several banks. We will add Chad Stevens and Joseph Powell to the accounts as signers.

At our next meeting we will discuss City Clean-Up and improvements at the City Park.

Chad made a motion to adjourn, Raymonda seconded. Meeting adjourned 8:56 pm.

Mayor – Dal Schwendiman

City Clerk – Susan Lott