

CITY OF NEWPORT, KY
SPECIAL AND CAUCUS MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monday, February 8, 2016
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING

The special meeting was called to order by Mayor Peluso at 7:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Newport Municipal Building at 998 Monmouth Street. The meeting was opened with a moment for silent invocation and the mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were: Commissioner Thomas Guidugli, Commissioner John Hayden, Commissioner Frank Peluso, and Mayor Jerry Peluso. **Absent:** Commissioner Beth Fennell. Also in attendance were: City Manager Thomas Fromme, City Attorney Daniel Braun, Police Chief Thomas Collins, Acting Fire Chief Randy Childress, Historic Preservation Officer Scott Clark, Executive Director of Neighborhood Foundations Thomas Guidugli, Sr., Community Liaison Bev Holiday, and City Clerk Amy Able.

PERSONNEL ORDERS

The city clerk read Order **R-2016-008**, appointing **Chris Novak to the position of Public Housing Coordinator** in the City of Newport, effective February 16, 2016. Commissioner Peluso made a **motion to approve**; second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Guidugli. Tom Guidugli, Sr. addressed the Board stating he is very excited to see Mr. Novak appointed as the City will benefit greatly from his expertise and the Housing Authority is willing to pay the cost of salary and benefits. Upon hearing there were no comments or questions, the mayor called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Peluso: Yes Commissioner Hayden: Yes
Commissioner Guidugli: Yes Mayor Peluso: Yes

Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

The city clerk read **R-2016-009** an order authorizing the City Manager to execute an Employee Lease Agreement with the Housing Authority of Newport. Commissioner Guidugli made a **motion to approve**. Second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Hayden. The City Manager explained while the individual is technically hired by the City, but he will act as an employee of the Housing Authority and the lease agreement spells out the City will be reimbursed by HAN for all costs of salary and benefits. Mayor Peluso welcomed Mr. Novak who stated he is looking forward to starting and thanked the Board for the opportunity. Upon hearing there were no questions, the mayor called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Guidugli: Yes Commissioner Peluso: Yes
Commissioner Hayden: Yes Mayor Peluso: Yes

Motion carried 4-0.

The city clerk read Order **R-2016-010**, an order authorizing the City Manager to execute an **Agreement with the Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet**, Department of Highways, concerning the **use of State owned property** along the Route 9 reconstruction **for fire training purposes**. Commissioner Peluso made a **motion to approve**; second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Guidugli. Mr. Fromme stated this concerns buildings slated for

demolition in the area of Fifth and Patterson. Upon hearing there were no comments or questions, the mayor called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Peluso: Yes Commissioner Hayden: Yes
Commissioner Guidugli: Yes Mayor Peluso: Yes

Motion carried 4-0.

The city clerk gave first reading by title and summary to **O-2016-002** an ordinance amending Ordinance O-2015-008 by **amending the adopted budget for the Community Development Fund** of the City of Newport concerning the receipts and expenditures of CDBG-R funds for the fiscal Year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 **to accommodate the Community Development Block Grant for the Newport Home Ownership Development Project**. Commissioner Peluso made a **motion to approve**; second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Guidugli. Upon hearing there were no comments or questions, the mayor called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Peluso: Yes Commissioner Hayden: Yes
Commissioner Guidugli: Yes Mayor Peluso: Yes

Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT OF SPECIAL MEETING

There being no further business, Commissioner Guidugli made a **motion to adjourn the special meeting**. Commissioner Hayden offered a second to the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Guidugli: Yes Commissioner Peluso: Yes
Commissioner Hayden: Yes Mayor Peluso: Yes

Motion carried 5-0.

The special meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

A Caucus meeting, originally scheduled for 7:00 p.m., immediately followed the conclusion of the Special Meeting.

Date Approved/Signed

Jerry R. Peluso, Mayor

Attest:

Amy B. Able, City Clerk

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS / PROPOSED LEGISLATION / CITY BUSINESS

Mayor Peluso stated the discussion item "Needle Exchange Program" is being removed.

PUBLIC FORUM AND COMMENTS

Anyone wishing to discuss any City service issue not on the agenda was invited to do so.

ADJOURNMENT OF SPECIAL MEETING

There being no further business, Commissioner Peluso made a **motion to adjourn the caucus meeting**. Commissioner Guidugli offered a second to the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Guidugli:	Yes	Commissioner Peluso:	Yes
Commissioner Hayden:	Yes	Mayor Peluso:	Yes

Motion carried 5-0.

The caucus meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Date Approved/Signed
Attest:

Jerry R. Peluso, Mayor

Amy B. Able, City Clerk