

CITY OF NEWPORT, KY
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thomas L. Guidugli Jr. at 7:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room of the Newport Municipal Building at 998 Monmouth Street.

In Attendance:

Mayor Thomas L. Guidugli Jr., Commissioner Mike Radwanski, Commissioner Julie Smith-Morrow, Commissioner Ken Rehtin.

Others Present:

City Manager Thomas Fromme, Assistant City Manager John Hayden, Police Chief Christopher Fangman, Fire Chief Frank Peluso, Deputy City Clerk Joy Rovno.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO COMMISSIONERS

The Honorable Judge Daniel Zalla administered the oath of office to the Board members.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMISSIONERS ORDER NO. R-2023-001

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT, KENTUCKY, APPOINTING ELISABETH FENNELL TO THE POSITION OF VICE MAYOR IN THE CITY OF NEWPORT, KENTUCKY EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023.

Commissioner Rehtin made a motion to approve R-2023-001. Commissioner Radwanski offered a second to the motion. The Mayor called for a vote:

Commissioner Mike Radwanski	Yes
Commissioner Julie Smith-Morrow	Yes
Commissioner Ken Rehtin	Yes
Mayor Thomas Guidugli Jr.	Yes

Motion Carried 4-0

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Fromme stated this is an exciting time to welcome two new commissioners. He is excited to work together for a successful 2023.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Rehtin

Mr. Rehtin stated while taking the oath, they swear to have never been in a duel, the State of Kentucky has not had a duel in 150 years, He stated it's been two years since the insurrection at our nation's capital, this is a reminder we should resolve our differences in a common way of discussion and debate, there should never be political violence. He thanked the voters and congratulated Mr. Radwanski and Dr. Smith-Morrow, he looks forward to working together as a team over the next few years.

Commissioner Radwanski

Mr. Radwanski thanked the voters for their support, as well as his family and mentors. He also thanked his employer which allows him to serve the people of Newport in this capacity.

Commissioner Smith-Morrow

Dr. Smith-Morrow thanked all those who attended in person and those watching from home. She stated this is an exciting time in the City and she is grateful to be able to serve the people of Newport and thanked all that serve our citizens every day; she looks forward to being a part of this team.

Mayor Guidugli

Mr. Guidugli stated this is an exciting time in Newport, with new team members. We will work together, learn together and govern together.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Smith-Morrow made a **motion to adjourn**; second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Radwanski. The Mayor called for a vote; the **motion carried unanimously, 4:0**. The meeting ended at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date Approved/Signed

Thomas L. Guidugli Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Joy Rovno, Deputy City Clerk