

**City Of New Virginia
Council Meeting Minutes
March 7th, 2020**

The Council met in regular session on Saturday March 7th, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. for the March Council Meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Huston with Council Members Galivan, Nelson, Strange and Zuercher present. Absent Truman.

Minutes from the February Council Meeting and Treasurer's Report were approved.

The issue of a pit bull or pit bull type of dog being loose and/or aggressive in the 300 block of Davidson Street was turned over to the Sheriff's Office. To date there has been no correspondence from the Sheriff's Office regarding this matter.

The need for the installation of a GFI electrical outlet east of the Lion's stand in Old Settlers Park for the water slide was discussed.

It was discussed that there is a large dip forming at the west end of Knotts Street where the asphalt meets the gravel. There will be gravel placed to fill the dip. Alleys will be graded and rock placed where needed.

Nelson advised there is a canister in the bank for Old Settlers fireworks donations.

There has been citizen complaints about dogs continually barking at a property in the 400 block of East Street. A certified letter will be sent with pertinent ordinance sections regarding the barking dogs.

Steve Savage was present to discuss water line options other than K Copper. Savage uses plastic Poly Tech Blue psi 250 SBR 7 on water line projects he works on. It was discussed that water connection policies and the water ordinance need to be updated. Savage will be consulted on re-writing these documents. Nelson moved, seconded by Zuercher to approve the use of Poly Tech Blue plastic 250psi SBR 7 water line for 509 Maple Street water service connection. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

A public hearing was held for the second reading of Ordinance #108 amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Virginia, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to water rates. With no citizens present to approve or disapprove and no written or email responses regarding said Ordinance, Zuercher moved, seconded by Nelson to close the public hearing.

Zuercher moved, seconded by Nelson to pass and approve the second reading and to waive the third reading of Ordinance #108 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. The first 2,000 gallons or less per month will

increase from \$20.59 to \$22.65. All usage over 2,000 gallons per month will increase from \$7.90 to \$8.90.

Law Enforcement – The report summary from the Sheriff’s Office for the month of January was reviewed. Sixty-two calls were received or initiated in the community during the month. Ten citations/warnings were written in the New Virginia area. Officers logged in excess of 65.75 hours for the month in the community.

With only one bid received for the 2020 mowing season, Nelson moved, seconded by Galivan to approve the bids from Huston’s Lawn Care Service as follows: GAMP mowing by the month for the season as long as it lasts - \$350.00 per month for the east half and \$170.00 each mowing for the west half as needed during the mowing season; uptown mowing (Lions Park, Old Settlers Park, Library, Fire Station, Hen House, Welcome Signs, etc.) by the month for the mowing season as long as it lasts - \$360.00 per month with trimming included as needed for both bids. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

A public hearing was opened for discussion of the proposed 2020-21 New Virginia City Budget. There were no citizens present to discuss the proposed budget. There were no written or email objections or comments regarding the proposed budget. Strange moved, seconded by Zuercher to close the public hearing for the proposed 2020-21 New Virginia City Budget. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Strange moved, seconded by Zuercher to approve and resolve Resolution 2020-04 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2020-21 NEW VIRGINIA CITY BUDGET.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA:

The Council of the City of New Virginia, Iowa hereby approves and adopts the New Virginia 2020-21 City Budget.

A roll Call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

GAMP FINANCIAL UPDATE

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The following are the balances for the GAMP accounts: Money Market \$22953.71; Regular Account \$ 1,010.37. Rentals and cleaning is going well at GAMP. Jen is working on getting the GAMP rental calendar on the website, along with the payment option. We still need to find a new volunteer director for the tot time program. Please contact Jennifer Baughman or Erin Thornburgh for more information on the position.

NEW VIRGINIA PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE UPDATE

The trash bins and grills are in the progress of being constructed. The Father/Daughter Dance will be tonight, March 7, 2020 from 6:30 – 9:00 at the Legion Hall. The Committee has worked hard on planning for the dance. The last count was 95 daughters and fathers pre-registered. Once the weather starts getting nice, we will start the process for the new shelter. Our next meeting will be held tonight March 7 after the father/daughter dance. Our account balance is \$17281.58.

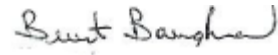
KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM

The account balance is \$169.00.

City Attorney Robert Stuyvesant is working with the Assistant Warren County Attorney in drafting the necessary legal documents regarding the City taking over operation of the fire department.

Nelson moved, seconded by Zuercher to approve payment of all City bills and GAMP bills. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no further business to come forth, Strange moved, seconded by Nelson to adjourn meeting. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m. The April council meeting is scheduled for Monday April 6th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. **April meeting date – Monday April 6th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.**



Brent Baughman, City Clerk

February Revenues

General Fund	988.34
Debt Service	3.81
Water Utilities	6091.43
Road Use	4474.96
LOST (local option sales tax)	<u>2941.70</u>
Total	\$ 14500.24

**** SEE MARCH EXPENSES ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE(S) ****