

City Of New Virginia
Council Meeting Minutes
July 8th, 2025

The Council met in regular session on Tuesday July 8th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. for the July council meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Truman with Council Members Dunkin, Bailey, Galivan and Taylor present. Mayor Strange arrived about mid-way through the meeting.

Minutes from the June meeting were approved.

Old Business: Truman is getting information about the disc golf course at GAMP Park placed on the UDisc app.

Galivan will check with Norville Huston to see where he picked up asphalt cold mix for filling potholes in the streets.

The large tree/brush pile in the ditch at South & West Street getting burned was discussed. The fire department will get it burned later this summer or fall.

Citizen Input: A note from a citizen requesting the Mayor or a City representative call her regarding some City questions she has. Mayor Strange will get in touch with the citizen.

Dunkin received a citizen complaint about a resident in the 400 block of East Street putting trash in the recycling bin and overflowing it causing trash to fall out or blow out and eventually ending up in neighbors' yards. A letter with pertinent ordinances will be sent to the resident regarding this issue.

Fire Department Business: The need for new batteries for SCBAs' (air packs) was discussed. Bailey moved, seconded by Galivan to approve the purchase of new batteries for the air packs. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The new fire truck 769 is in and waiting for emergency lights to come in and be installed. Also, the emergency communications radio was not removed from the old truck. Therefor, waiting on insurance to settle the radio issue. If this issue does not get resolved in a timely manner, the City Attorney will be contacted.

Engine 762 was found not to be pumping adequately. It has been inspected by Reliant Fire Apparatus. The inspection found 4 or 5 valves to be leaking as well as a pressure switch and pressure gauge not working. All the above issues were repaired. A pump test was performed, and it passed after the repairs were made.

The need to look at replacing the skid unit in grass truck 768 was discussed. The pump pressure is inadequate and the hose reel is very weak.

Water Utilities discussed: The hand operated water hydrant at the source entry point with Warren Water on Davidson Street has been installed. Some landscaping will be done to clean up this project.

Law Enforcement: – The Sheriff’s Report for the month of May and June were reviewed. There were 18 calls for service received or initiated by Deputies for the month of May. Four citations and/or warnings were written for traffic/parking violations that occurred within the City of New Virginia proper. Officers spent in excess of 42 hours in the City for the month of May. Officers logged in excess of 156 miles within the city limits for the month. There were 11 calls for service received or initiated by Deputies for the month of June. Three citations and/or warnings were written for traffic/parking violations that occurred within the City of New Virginia proper. Officers spent in excess of 43 hours in the City for the month of June. Officers logged in excess of 134 miles within the city limits for the month.

Cost estimates from Green Roofing for work projects on the Hen House were reviewed. To remove existing roof and install new E.P.D.M. roof, the cost is \$14,800.00. To just repair the northeast area of the roof where it is pulling away from the wall and address holes in the membrane, the cost is \$640.00. The cost to install new steel siding over the existing front of the building and trim out is \$3,400.00. The budget numbers will be finalized to see if the entire roof can be replaced or if just the northeast corner of the roof can be repaired.

The fiscal year 2025-26 city wages were reviewed. City Clerk - \$2940.00/mth. (\$1470.00 from general fund & \$1470.00 from water utilities fund); Deputy City Clerk - \$1735.50/mth. (\$867.75 from general fund & \$867.75 from water utilities fund); Office Assistants to City Clerk & Deputy City Clerk – (20 hrs./mth. X \$26.25/hr. - \$525.00 from general fund) and (20 hrs./mth. X \$26.25/hr. - \$525.00 from water utilities fund); Mayor - \$100.00/mtg. from general fund; City Council Members - \$50.00/mtg. from the general fund; Treasurer - \$150.00/qtr. From the general fund. Galivan moved, seconded by Truman to approve the 2025-26 fiscal year City wages. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Review of the 2024-25 fiscal year expenses was tabled due to the City software company still working on issues following the crash of the old City computer.

Truck pull revenue and expenses were reviewed. Some of the leftover food and beverage items will be returned for a refund and some of the items are being sold. There are at least one or two expenses that have not come in yet. The final numbers will be ready for the August council meeting.

GAMP UPDATE

Discussion was held to finish out the chain link fence at the east end of GAMP Park and the need to have the property line survey pins located.

KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL/HOMETOWN PRIDE UPDATE

There will be no booth at Old Settlers but there will be a banner with all the upcoming events/activities. The committee is looking for a place to hang the banner.

Upcoming Events in 2025: July 11-13 – NV Old Settlers; September 21, Sunday - End of Summer Social (confirmed – location Hickory Hills); October 25th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. – NV Trunk or Treat; November – country dance/contra dance (Tentative); December 12 (Friday) & December 13 (Saturday) Christmas Home Tour. Four homes have committed to the 2025 Christmas Home Tour. The Committee is looking for new avenues for getting information out to the public. New merchandise considerations include T-shirts and stickers.

ELF CLUB

No new updates.

TRI CORNER EXPRESS

No new updates.

Mayor Strange touched base with the City of Osceola regarding their sidewalk program with long stretches of new sidewalk. Mayor Strange is waiting to hear back from someone from the City of Osceola.

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

With no further business to come forth, Galivan moved, seconded by Truman to adjourn meeting. A roll call vote was taken: 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

The August council meeting is scheduled for Monday August 4th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
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Jennifer Baughman, City Clerk