

**City Of New Virginia
Council Meeting Minutes
November 4th, 2023**

The Council met in regular session on Saturday November 4th, 2023, at 7:30 a.m. for the November council meeting.

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

Minutes from the October regular meeting and Treasurer's Report were approved.

Old business discussed: The City received two bids to remove and replace five southbound concrete panels and three northbound concrete panels in the 800 block of East Street – Sternquist Construction \$15,520.00 and McGee Concrete, LLC \$15,120.00. After reviewing and discussing the bids, Galivan moved, seconded by Nelson to approve the McGee Concrete LLC bid of \$15,120.00 for concrete repairs in the 800 block of East Street. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Cracks are developing in some of the streets that were re-surfaced with asphalt this summer. Mayor Huston advised InRoads is aware of the cracks and will warranty the work.

Citizen Input: There was no citizen input.

Water Utilities discussed: In the month of October, the City received the water meters and some of the valves that were ordered this summer.

Fire Department Business: Fire Chief Jake Zuercher was present to update the Council on Fire Department business. There recently was a County/Municipal joint meeting to discuss Warren County Communications. Requirements to be a member of the Board of Directors for Warren County Communications were reviewed and discussed. The Board of Directors is currently made up of a representative from the City of Indianola and Carlisle and one Warren County Supervisor. Two other people will be appointed by the current Board.

The purchase of a new multi-function fax machine at the fire station was discussed. Taylor moved, seconded by Truman to purchase a Brother model number L2750DW multi-function fax machine for the fire station. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement: – The report summary from the Sheriff's Office for the month of October was reviewed. Deputies received or initiated 25 calls for service during the month of October. Officers spent in excess of 34 hours in the City for the month. Officers patrolled in excess of 198 miles within the city limits for the month. One citation and/or warning was written for traffic violations that occurred within the City of New Virginia proper.

Strange moved, seconded by Nelson to open the public hearing for the proposed closing of that portion of Pine Street running North and South and lying adjacent to and West of Lot 10, Davidson's Addition to the Town of New Virginia, Warren County, Iowa. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no citizens present to approve or disapprove and no written or email responses regarding the proposed closing of the above described portion of Pine Street, Nelson moved, seconded by Taylor to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Truman moved, seconded by Taylor to open the public hearing for the first reading of Ordinance #121 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING NORTH PINE STREET LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no citizens present to approve or disapprove and no written or email responses regarding Ordinance #121, Truman moved, seconded by Taylor to close the public hearing for the first reading of Ordinance #121. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Truman moved, seconded by Taylor to pass and approve the first reading of Ordinance #121 - AN ORDINANCE VACATING NORTH PINE STREET LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEW VIRGINIA, IOWA and to waive the second and third readings of said Ordinance. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Strange moved, seconded by Nelson to open the public hearing to pass and approve Resolution 2023-07 – A RESOLUTION PROPOSING DISPOSING OF AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BY SALE TAT PORTION OF PINE STREET RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH AND LYING ADJACENT TO AND WEST OF LOT 10, DAVIDSON'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF NEW VIRGINIA, WARREN COUNTY, IOWA. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no citizens present to approve or disapprove and no written or email responses regarding Resolution 2023-07, Strange moved, seconded by Nelson to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Taylor moved, seconded by Nelson to pass and approve Resolution 2023-07. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Nelson moved, seconded by Strange to open the public hearing to approve and adopt Resolution 2023-08 – A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ADOPT NEW VIRGINIA STREET FINANCIAL REPORT FROM JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no citizens present to approve or disapprove and no written or email responses regarding Resolution 2023-08, Nelson moved, seconded by Strange to close the public hearing. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Truman moved, seconded by Taylor to approve and adopt Resolution 2023-08. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

A draft of the New Virginia Urban Revitalization Plan was reviewed. The process to approve the Plan will continue.

Two bids for snow removal from City streets, alleys & sidewalks for the 2023-24 season were received – Bortell Welding & CNC Plasma Cutting bid – 2 units with V-plows. \$100.00 per hour per unit. Huston’s bid – same as 2022-23 at \$85.00 per hour. After reviewing and discussing the bids, Nelson moved, seconded by Galivan to approve the Huston bid at \$85.00 per hour. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The outdoor movie venue was discussed including the consideration of a car show/drive-in movie night next summer.

GAMP UPDATE
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No GAMP updates for the month.

KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM

The Elf Club will start decorating for Christmas soon.

The Trail Committee meeting at the library on October 25th at 5 p.m. had to be postponed. The meeting is re-scheduled for November 15th at the library at 5 p.m. to discuss questions about trails, grants, getting an engineer involved, etc.

Continuation of the city-wide Christmas lighting contest was discussed. Truman moved, seconded by Nelson to continue the city-wide Christmas lighting contest. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The Annual Financial Report from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 was reviewed. Strange moved, seconded by Nelson to approve the Annual Financial Report for publication. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Marking a path on streets from the 700 block of West Street to the library school bus stop was discussed. It was discussed to see if a school bus could stop at the apartment building in the 700 block of West Street, especially if a bus drives by the apartment building on a routine basis.

Nelson moved, seconded by Taylor to approve payment of all City bills. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

With no further business to come forth, Nelson moved, seconded by Taylor to adjourn meeting. A roll call vote was taken: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m. The December council meeting is scheduled for Monday December 4th,

2023, at 7:00 p.m. **December meeting date – Monday December 4th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Baughman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jennifer Baughman, City Clerk