

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**NEWBERN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN**

**JUNE 28, 2007**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dennison called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and asked Alderman Parker to open with a prayer. Alderman Fesmire addressed the board apologizing for his absence from the last board meeting.

**CMOM ORDINANCE**

Alderman Parker made a motion to forego the second reading of the CMOM Ordinance, second by Alderman Fesmire. All vote aye and the motion was passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no discussion from the board or visitors Alderman Parker made a motion to adjourn the public hearing with Alderman Fesmire second. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dennison called the public hearing to order at 6:45pm and addressed the board on the purpose of the hearing. The City of Newbern was required to pass a code of ethics ordinance that outlined proper and improper activities of conduct by elected officials and municipal employees.

**CODE OF ETHICS ORDINANCE**

Alderman Fesmire made a motion to dispense with the second reading of the Code of Ethics Ordinance with Alderman Parker second. All voted aye and the motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no discussion from the board or visitors Alderman Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Alderman Fesmire second. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

## **SPECIAL MEETING**

### **NEWBERN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN**

**JUNE 28, 2007**

**7:00PM**

The Newbern Board of Mayor and Aldermen held a Special Meeting in the Board Meeting Room at the Newbern Municipal Building. Mayor K W Dennison presiding. Aldermen present were Mary Dycus, Robert Hart, Olen Parker, Kathy Clements and Larry Fesmire. Alderman Bill Parks was absent from the meeting. Also present were City Recorder Jason Roberts, Utilities Manager Rosalind Green, Jennifer Swimms from the State Gazette and Police Chief Harold Dunivant

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dennison called the meeting to order and welcomed the visitors that were present.

## **BUDGET DISCUSSION**

### **White and Associates**

Jason Ladd presented the Board with a revised health insurance plan for the employees of the City of Newbern. Mr. Ladd also gave his options on coverage if the city chose to change to the State of TN healthcare plan. The Board of Mayor and Alderman thanked Jason Ladd and White and Associates for their help during this difficult time.

### **Insurance Discussion**

City Recorder Jason Roberts presented the board with the State of TN health insurance plan. The board was presented with cost sheets with a listing of savings from the current budgeted amount. Alderman Parker made a motion to utilize the State of TN Health Insurance and keep the current amount budgeted of \$525.00 in place to provide a buffer to absorb a potential rate increase with Alderman Hart second. All voted aye and the motion carried. Alderman Dycus abstained from the vote due to her utilization of the city's health insurance plan. The City of Newbern will not be eligible for the State of TN Health Insurance until September 1, 2007. Alderman Parker made a motion to utilize White and Associates proposed Network S plan for two months until the state coverage would become available. Alderman Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

### **Budget Proposals**

City recorder Jason Roberts presented the board with the proposed raises for the city employees. The proposal included a fifty cent and a twenty five cent raise. The fifty cent raise would increase expenditures in the General Fund by \$38,700.50 leaving a budget surplus of \$426.50. The twenty five cent raise would increase General Fund expenditures by 22,460.25 leaving a budget surplus of \$16,666.75. Alderman Clements made a motion to increase employee wages by fifty cents with Alderman Hart second. All voted aye and the motion carried.


Alderman Parker made a motion to approve all budgets with the current insurance rate budgeted and fifty cent raises. Alderman Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

#### Gas Resolution

City Recorder Jason Roberts read a resolution that would lower gas prices by ten percent. This decrease in rate is in direct relation to operational profits in the gas department. Alderman Hart made a motion to approve the resolution with Alderman Fesmire second. All voted aye and the motion passed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With there being no other business to conduct Alderman Hart made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Alderman Fesmire second. All voted aye and the meeting so adjourned.

  
K W Dennison, Mayor

  
Jason Roberts, City Recorder