

**PUBLIC HEARING  
NEWBERN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
MAY 20, 2008  
6:30 PM**

The Newbern Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in called session in the Board Meeting Room at the Newbern Municipal Building. Mayor K.W. Dennison presiding. Aldermen present were Mary Dycus, Bill Parks, Olen Parker, Larry Fesmire, Kathy Clements and Robert Hart. Also present were City Recorder Jason Roberts and Police Chief Harold Dunivant.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dennison called the meeting to order and stated that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss proposed Ordinance 08-03. Mayor Dennison stated that Ordinance 08-03 called for an increase in the number of Planning Commission members from nine to ten members.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further discussion Alderman Hart made a motion to adjourn with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

**REGULAR MEETING  
NEWBERN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
MAY 20, 2008  
7:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Dennison called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked if the Board of Mayor and Aldermen had reviewed the minutes from the April 15<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and called meetings. Alderman Parker made a motion to accept the minutes with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the minutes were approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING - ORDINANCE 08-03**

Alderman Parker made a motion to suspend with the second reading of the proposed ordinance with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the motion to suspend carried. Alderman Parker made a motion to approve Ordinance 08-03 with Alderman Dycus second. All voted aye and the Ordinance was approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**FIRST READING - ORDINANCE 08-04**

Mayor Dennison addressed the Board and asked if the members have had a chance to review Ordinance 08-04. Alderman Parker made a motion to suspend the first reading with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the motion carried. Mayor Dennison stated that the proposed Ordinance would amend the text of the Newbern Municipal Zoning Ordinance to change chapter VIII, provisions governing flood hazard districts, 11-803 general provisions, section b.

basis for establishing the areas of special flood hazard in order to maintain eligibility in the national flood insurance program. Alderman Parker made a motion approve the first reading of Ordinance 08-04 with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the motion carried.

#### **FIRST READING - ORDINANCE 08-05**

Mayor Dennison addressed the Board and asked if the members have had a chance to review Ordinance 08-04. Alderman Hart made a motion to suspend the first reading with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the motion carried. Mayor Dennison stated that the proposed Ordinance would amend the text of the Newbern Regional Zoning Ordinance by revising chapter 8 provisions governing flood hazard districts. Alderman Hart made a motion to approve the first reading with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the motion carried.

#### **HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM**

City Recorder Roberts addressed the Board and stated that he had received notification from the State of TN that the premiums for the City of Newbern's health insurance would be increasing approximately 7%. Recorder Roberts stated that this increase was low in comparison to prior years.

#### **TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTING ASSOCIATES**

City Recorder Roberts stated that TCA had completed their audit of Charter Communications and had discovered approximately \$9,000 dollars owed to the City of Newbern. Mr. Roberts stated that he had filed the paperwork necessary to receive these funds and would await word from Charter.

#### **S T ENVIRONMENT REPORT**

Randy Gregory addressed the Board and stated that there were no problems and presented a good report.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Phillip Cottrell addressed the Board and stated that the new fire truck was in and offered an invitation to the Board Members to come by and inspect the vehicle.

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Police Chief Harold Dunivant requested permission to hire Tim Fair. Alderman Hart made a motion to approve the hire with Alderman Parker second. All voted aye and the motion carried.

#### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT**

None

#### **STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Street Supervisor Steve Dodds stated that the flags had been installed on the cemetery in preparation of Memorial Day. Steve also stated that the oil burning furnace grant had been approved. Alderman Hart made a motion to proceed with the grant with Alderman Fesmire second all voted aye and the motion carried.

#### **ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT**

City Recorder Roberts addressed the Board and stated that the Standard Electric came in as low bidder on the repair to the Industrial Park. Electric Supervisor Sandy Hill stated that he felt comfortable in their capabilities and had used them before. Sandy Hill also stated that there will be a scheduled power outage on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at midnight for repair and maintenance.

**GAS DEPARTMENT REPORT**

None

**WATER & SEWER REPORT**

Water Supervisor Richard Mills stated that a fire plug had been run over in an auto accident and had disrupted the City's water supply. Mr. Mills stated that lines around the city are being videoed and needed repairs are being discovered.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Dennison addressed the board and stated that the City of Newbern would start enforcing the Ordinance on property condition. The ordinance requires the owners of neglected properties to be cited into court for violation of said ordinance.

Mayor Dennison also addressed the Roadblock situation. Mayor Dennison stated that he and City Hall had been overrun with complaints about the roadblock fundraisers. City Recorder Roberts addressed the board and stated his fear of exposure to lawsuits for the city. Chief Dunivant stated that he felt the City should not allow the practice of roadblocks for safety concerns. After much discussion Alderman Parker made a motion to suspend roadblocks until word from our insurance company on the cities exposure. Alderman Parker withdrew the motion after further discussion. Alderman Fesmire made a motion to disallow roadblocks with Alderman Hart second. All voted aye and the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:40 p.m., there being no further business to discuss Alderman Fesmire made a motion to adjourn with Alderman Hart second. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned.

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
BEER AND LIQUOR BOARD  
MAY 20, 2008  
7:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dennison called the Beer and Liquor Board meeting to order to discuss the application made by Cynthia Mayberry to obtain a beer permit to operate Kindle's Place. Chief Dunivant addressed the board and stated that Ms. Mayberry had a record that would prevent her from obtaining a beer permit. Alderman Hart made a motion to deny the beer permit with Alderman Parker second. All voted aye and the motion to deny carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Fesmire made a motion to

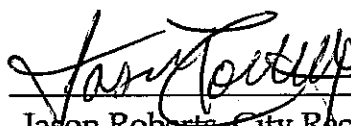
adjourn with Alderman Parker second. All voted aye and the meeting adjourned.

**VISITORS PRESENT**

Dan Post, Sandy Hill, Doug Tyler, Philip Cottrell, Randy Gregory, Steve Dodds, Richard Mills, James Wilkerson, Janice Peevyhouse, James Peevyhouse, Jeff Harrison, and Chris Rimel.



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K.W. Dennison, Mayor



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Jason Roberts, City Recorder