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**CITY OF NEWPORT**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**  
**APRIL 16, 2018**

13 The City Council of the City of Newport, Arkansas met in regular session Monday, April 16,  
14 2018 in the chambers of the Municipal Courtroom.

15 Mayor Stewart called the meeting to order. City Clerk/Treasurer Hembrey called the roll.  
16 Council members present were Michael Allen, Carol Falwell, Kathy Green, Regina Lake,  
17 Leroy Mansko, Andy May and Julie Moss. City Attorney Rob Ratton was present. Council  
18 Member Neal Pankey was absent.

19 Following the invocation by Leroy Mansko, those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

20 A motion by Allen and second by Falwell to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2018  
21 meeting carried (6/0) with “yes” votes by Allen, Falwell, Green, Lake, May, and Moss.  
22 Mansko abstained due to being absent on April 2, 2018.

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**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

43 Mayor Stewart had the following reports:

- 44 • The March 2018 Financial Statements for the General Fund, Street Fund, 911 Fund and  
45 Sewer Fund were given to each Council Member. Mayor Stewart asked that each Council  
46 Member review the financial statements and direct any questions to City Clerk/Treasurer  
47 Hembrey or to him.
- 48 • Mayor Stewart reported that the Municipal Health Benefit Fund had informed the City that  
49 the insurance rates would remain the same at Class 5 for the second half of 2018.
- 50 • Mayor Stewart stated that the 2000 Ford Explorer used by the Police Department was no  
51 longer useful to the City. Mayor Stewart and Police Chief Scudder researched the value of  
the vehicle online for a value of \$1,750. Jackson County Auto Sales would like to purchase  
the vehicle. A motion by Moss and second by Lake to sell the 2000 Ford Explorer vin# 2059  
to Jackson County Auto Sales for \$1,750 carried (7/0) with “yes” votes by Mansko, Falwell,  
Moss, Allen, Green, Lake and May.
- Bids were opened on the pump system for the Galeria concrete ditch. The lowest bid came in  
at approximately \$19,000 more than expected. Negotiations with the lowest bidder are  
continuing. When a final price is agreed upon, the Levee Board will meet to make a final  
decision.
- Movies in the Park started last night with the movie “Back to the Future”. Approximately 50  
people braved the 40 degree temperature. The downtown park will host Bluesday Tuesday  
tomorrow night with “The Josh Parks Band”.
- Thursday April 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. the Scott Wood Truck Center will host a  
business after hours with refreshments.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance: Authorization for Gayle Brock (Home Plate Tail Gate) to File Application  
for Private Club Permit with State Alcoholic Beverage Control Division**

City Attorney Ratton read the Ordinance in its entirety. Mayor Stewart introduced Gayle Brock,  
owner of Home Plate Tail Gate, and Bridget Hendrix. They gave an informative overview of the

52 plans for the Home Plate Tail Gate Restaurant and Sports Bar. Mayor Stewart stated the Ordinance  
53 would be on the agenda for the next Council Meeting.

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55 With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

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57 PASSED AND APPROVED THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2018

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK