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**CITY OF NEWPORT**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**  
**FEBRUARY 4, 2019**

13 The City Council of the City of Newport, Arkansas met in regular session Monday, February 4, 2019 in the chambers of the Municipal Courtroom.

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

15 Following the invocation by Julie Moss, those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

16 A motion by Allen and second by Green to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2019 meeting carried (5/0) with “yes” votes by Allen, Green, Mansko, Pankey and Mayor Stewart. Falwell and Moss abstained due to being absent on January 22, 2019.

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19 **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

20 Mayor Stewart had the following reports:

- 21 • The Airport Commission Financial Statements for December 2018 were given to each Council Member.
  - 22 • A letter from ARDOT was given to each Council Member stating “In response to your letter, a Minute Order will be prepared for the March Commission Meeting to review and authorize the Department to conduct a study of Highway 384 in Newport”. Mayor Stewart will attend this meeting.
  - 23 • Bids will be opened on February 14<sup>th</sup> for the Wastewater Treatment Plant removal of sludge. With the removal of the sludge, the odor will improve.
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30 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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32 **Ordinance: Residential Sanitation Rate Increase**

33 Mayor Stewart asked for any comments concerning the residential sanitation rate increase Ordinance; no one responded. Mayor Stewart stated the Ordinance had been read in its entirety at the last meeting. A motion by Pankey and second by Allen to suspend the rules and forego the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings in their entirety carried (6/0) with “yes” votes by Green, Allen, Falwell, Pankey, Mansko and Moss.

34 A motion by Allen and second by Green to accept the Ordinance carried (6/0) with “yes” votes by Allen, Falwell, Pankey, Mansko, Moss and Green.

35 A motion by Pankey and second by Allen to approve the emergency clause carried (6/0) with “yes” votes by Green, Pankey, Moss, Allen, Falwell and Mansko.

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46 **Ordinance: Mosquito Control Rate Increase**

47 Mayor Stewart asked for any comments concerning the mosquito control rate increase Ordinance; no one responded. Mayor Stewart stated the Ordinance had been read in its entirety at the last meeting. A motion by Pankey and second by Allen to suspend the rules

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51 and forego the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings in their entirety carried (6/0) with “yes” votes by Mansko,  
52 Falwell, Green, Moss, Allen and Pankey.

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54 A motion by Allen and second by Pankey to accept the Ordinance carried (6/0) with “yes”  
55 votes by Falwell, Green, Moss, Pankey, Allen and Mansko.

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57 A motion by Allen and second by Pankey to approve the emergency clause carried (6/0) with  
58 “yes” votes by Green, Falwell, Mansko, Allen, Moss and Pankey.

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60 **Ordinance: Commercial Sanitation Rate**

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62 Mayor Stewart stated the commercial sanitation rate increase Ordinance had been completed.  
63 City Attorney Ratton read the Ordinance in its entirety. Mayor Stewart asked if there were  
64 any comments or questions. After discussion, a motion by Allen and second by Pankey to  
65 suspend the rules and forego the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings in their entirety carried (6/0) with “yes”  
66 votes by Moss, Allen, Mansko, Falwell, Pankey and Green.

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68 A motion by Pankey and second by Allen to accept the Ordinance carried (6/0) with “yes”  
69 votes by Green, Pankey, Moss, Falwell, Allen and Mansko.

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71 A motion by Allen and second by Mansko to approve the emergency clause carried (6/0)  
72 with “yes” votes by Pankey, Moss, Green, Allen, Falwell and Mansko.

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74 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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76 **Resolution: 2018 Amended Budget**

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78 Mayor Stewart presented the 2018 Amended Budget for General, 911, Street and Sewer  
79 Funds. City Attorney Ratton read the Resolution in its entirety. After discussion, a motion  
80 by Mansko and second by Moss to approve the amended budget carried (6/0) with “yes”  
81 votes by Pankey, Moss, Green, Allen, Falwell and Mansko.

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83 **Good of the City**

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85 Council Member Pankey suggested the Council might be better served with IPADS that  
86 could be loaded with the Council packets each meeting rather than paper form. Mayor  
87 Stewart and City Clerk Hembrey will research the cost and report the results at a future  
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90 With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

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93 PASSED AND APPROVED THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK