

City OF NEWPORT, KY
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, September 17, 2020
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Peluso at 5:00 p.m. and held via video teleconference via the Zoom meeting application with a live stream to the City's Facebook page.

Clerk's note: In accordance with the Governors Emergency Order and the provisions of SB 150, it is allowable to conduct the meeting via a live video teleconference. The notice of the special meeting advised the public how to comment in advance or during the meeting. No advance comments were received.

In attendance via video teleconference were: Commissioner Frank Peluso, Commissioner Beth Fennell, Commissioner Thomas Guidugli, Jr., Commissioner Ken Rehtin, and Mayor Jerry Peluso. Also in attendance were: City Manager Thomas Fromme, Director of Finance Lenny Kuntz, Assistant City Attorney John Hayden, Police Chief Chris Fangman, Fire Chief Bill Darin, Assistant City Manager Larisa Sims, and City Clerk Amy Able.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The mayor opened the public hearing. The notice and proposed **Property Tax Rate**, as advertised were reviewed. Mr. Fromme addressed the Board and gave a brief presentation noting the adopted budget included a four percent increase to revenue which would be obtained through adoption of the proposed, allowable rate. No residents submitted comments to city staff in advance and no related comments were made during the live stream to the City Facebook page. The public hearing was closed at 5:20 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

The city clerk gave first reading by title and summary of **O-2020-014**.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT,
KENTUCKY **LEVYING AND ASSESSING AD VALOREM TAXES** FOR CITY
PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 ON ALL PROPERTY LOCATED
WITHIN THE CITY OF NEWPORT, KENTUCKY.

Commissioner Guidugli made a **motion to approve**; second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Rehtin. Upon hearing there were no comments or questions, the mayor called for a vote; by show of hands, the **motion carried unanimously, 5:0**.

The city clerk gave first reading by title and summary of **O-2020-015**.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT,
KENTUCKY **AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING**
ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT, KENTUCKY.

Commissioner Guidugli made a **motion to approve**; second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Fennell. Mrs. Sims explained the text amendments to two sections were approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission in August. The first change adds outdoor dining as an accessory to indoor dining as a permitted use in the Neighborhood Commercial and Shopping Center Zone. Mrs. Sims confirmed there is also a permit required for outdoor dining. The second change makes clarification and correction to height requirements for fences around swimming pools. Upon hearing there were no comments or questions, the mayor called for a vote; by show of hands, the **motion carried unanimously, 5:0**.

The city clerk read **R-2020-034**.

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT, KENTUCKY **DECLARING CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT AS SURPLUS** AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW.

Commissioner Fennell made a **motion to approve**; second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Rehtin. The mayor noted the last online auction had good results and the city clerk confirmed these items will also be sold via online auction, details will be published on the city website. Upon hearing there were no comments or questions, the mayor called for a vote; by show of hands, the **motion carried unanimously, 5:0**.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Guidugli made a **motion to adjourn**; second was offered by Commissioner Fennell. The motion carried 5:0. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Date Approved/Signed

Jerry R. Peluso, Mayor

Attest:

Amy B. Able, City Clerk