

**REGULAR MEETING
NEWBERN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN
NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

The Newbern Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session in the Board Meeting Room. Mayor Pam Mabry presiding. Aldermen present were Keith Hardin, Kim May, Nicky Thomas and Tim Ware. Mayor Mabry read a scripture and asked City Recorder Roberts to open the meeting with prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Mabry asked if the Board of Mayor and Aldermen had reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. Alderman Lamb made a motion to approve the minutes and was seconded by Alderman Ware. All voted aye and the minutes were approved.

AGENDA AMENDMENT

Mayor Mabry requested a motion to amend the agenda to include Budget Amendment under the old business section. A motion was made by Alderman Lamb to amend the agenda and was seconded by Alderman Ware. All voted aye and the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

AMEND GF BUDGET ORDINANCE

Recorder Roberts addressed the board and requested an amendment to the General Fund budget ordinance 25-01. Roberts stated that the ordinance was submitted to the state with an incorrect number in the State Street Aide section. A motion was made by Alderman Ware to amend Ordinance 25-01 and was seconded by Alderman May. All voted aye and the motion carried.

CLOSING REMARKS

Mayor Mabry recognized outgoing Alderman Mark Lamb. Mayor Mabry stated it was an honor and privilege to work with Alderman Lamb for the past six years.

Alderman Lamb spoke of his tenure as Alderman and thanked the citizens for trusting him with this role. Alderman Lamb praised the hard work of all the employees and the board stating it was his hope and desire that the progress of our community would continue, encouraging continued growth.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other old business, Mayor Mabry adjourned the meeting.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

The Honorable Judge Jason Creasy administered the oath of office to Pam Mabry for the office of Mayor and Nicky Thomas and Chad Cunningham for the office of Alderman.

RECONVENE

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Recorder Roberts presented the monthly financial update.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Barr presented the monthly reports and stated the department was accepting applicants for crossing guards.

PUBLIC WORKS

Monthly reports were submitted. It was mentioned that the float would be ready for the board to ride in the Christmas parade on December 5. Alderman Cunningham stated that he was working with Representative Grills and the County on lighting and striping the tunnel on Newbern/Roellen Road.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly status reports submitted.

LIBRARY

Mayor Mabry stated we were awarded the CCF Grant in the amount of 1.7 million dollars.

ATTORNEY BILL

The Lannom Coronado bill was reviewed by the board.

NEW BUSINESS

GOLF COURSE LIGHTING

Mayor Mabry addressed the board and stated that the City conducted a bid opening for the lighting of the Oakview Golf Course. Recorder Roberts stated that bids were received to purchase lights and install in the amount of \$365,000. After much discussion a motion was made by Alderman Hardin to approve the bid from Crawford and Volunteer and was seconded by Alderman May. The motion passed 3-0 with Alderman Cunningham and Thomas abstaining.

ADJOURNMENT

Closing Comments:

Alderman Thomas welcomed Alderman Cunningham, expressed her love of the lighting in Newbern, thanked Casey for helping her mother in a water issue and wished everyone happy holidays.

Alderman May stated her love for how Newbern looks.

Alderman Ware echoed previous comments.

Alderman Hardin thanked everyone for their continued hard work and wished the Choctaw Football team good luck on their trip to Orange Mound.

Alderman Cunningham thanked the people for their votes and show of support for his seeking of this position, stated his desire to work for the community and his intention to meet with all the supervisors and see what help he and the board can give.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Mabry led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance and adjourned the meeting by acclamation.

Pam Mabry, Mayor

Jason Roberts, City Recorder