



**CITY OF NEWPORT
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES
NEWPORT CITY HALL
January 14, 2021**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Elliott called the City Council Workshop to order at 3:00 p.m. on January 14, 2021.

2. ROLL CALL

Present (4): Mayor Laurie Elliott, Council Member Kevin Chapdelaine, Council Member Tom Ingemann, and Council Member Marvin Taylor.

3. BOARD, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEE INTERVIEWS

A. Anita Wasmundt - Library Advisory Committee

Anita Wasmundt expressed her desire to serve on the Library Advisory Committee as she has been a volunteer at the library for three years and feels her volunteer work would be beneficial to the board.

B. Barb Wilcziek - Library Advisory Committee

Barb Wilcziek expressed her desire to serve on the Library Advisory Committee as she has been a volunteer at the library and is part of Newport on the Move. Ms. Wilcziek expressed she would like to get more volunteers so the library could be open longer hours.

C. Tami Fuelling - Planning Commission

Tami Fuelling expressed her desire to serve on the Planning Commission as she wants to get involved in her community. Ms. Fuelling informed the Council that she moved to Minnesota twenty years ago and wants to step in, learn, and make a commitment.

D. Michael Kermes - Planning Commission

Michael Kermes expressed his desire to serve on the Planning Commission. Mr. Kermes informed the Council that he has lived in Newport for over fifteen years. Mr. Kermes expressed that he likes the schools and wants to get more involved in the community.

4. CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT INTERVIEWS

A. Kay Buetow

Kay Buetow expressed her desire to serve on the City Council. Ms. Buetow informed Council of her background working for the City of St. Paul. Ms. Buetow's priorities would be to upgrade the City website, improve code enforcement, and youth programming.

B. Nathan Knox

Nathan Knox expressed his desire to serve on the City Council. Mr. Knox informed Council he ran a few times for Council and was appointed to the Library Board. Mr. Knox's priorities are to get Council to capacity, help navigate COVID-19, and to represent Newport.

C. Rozlyn Johnson

Rozlyn Johnson expressed her desire to serve on the City Council. Ms. Johnson informed Council that she has been a resident and business owner in Newport for thirty years and served on City Council for two years. Ms. Johnson's priorities are retail development and the new City Hall/Fire station.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Elliott adjourned the City Council Workshop at 4:49 p.m. on January 14, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted:
Jill Thiesfeld,
Administrative Assistant II

Signed: _____
Laurie Elliott, Mayor