

Special Council Minutes

December 11, 2023

A duly warned meeting of the Newport city council was held on Monday, December 11, 2023, in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Linda Sullivan, Council President John Wilson, council members Kevin Charboneau, Chris Vachon and Clark Curtis, City Clerk/treasurer James D. Johnson, Comptroller Rebecca Therrien, Public Works Director Tom Bernier, Police Chief Travis Bingham, Recreation Director Mike Brown, Zoning Administrator Francis Cheney III, members of the Press and Public.

Mayor Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Comments by the Public

Anne Chiarello commented on municipal and school taxes.

Melissa Pettersson commented on the search for a City Manager and the city's form of government posted on the website.

Jennifer Bjurling commented on the bonding of the manager and mayor.

Pam Ladds commented on the role of the mayor and council as stated in the City Charter.

Budget Review

The proposed 2024-25 budget for Recreation, Public Works, Other, Sewer, and Water was presented by the department heads.

New Business

Mr. Vachon wants to discuss wage increases for non-union staff.

Old Business

Budget discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Adjournment

Mr. Charboneau moved to adjourn at 8:12 pm. Seconded by Mr. Vachon, motion carried.

Attested _____ this _____ day of December 2023

Mayor