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Mayor: Lori Warne * City Administrator: Tammy Hansen

Minutes

May 18, 2026

The meeting of the Newfolden City Council was called to order by Mayor Lori Warne at 4:30 PM on Monday, May 18, 2026.

Present: Darin Jacobson Lori Warne Adam Gast Melissa Bjorgaard
Absent: Mark Augustine

- 1) *Motion by Councilmember Gast to approve the May 18th agenda with additions. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jacobson and carried.*
- 2) *Motion by Councilmember Bjorgaard to approve the May 18th Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gast and carried.*
- 3) Committee Reports:
 - a. Fire Department:
 - a. Park and Recreation:
 - b. Infrastructure:
 - c. Budget:
 - d. Public Works:
- 4) *Motion by Councilmember Gast to approve the purchase of 8 signs prohibiting the use of motorized vehicles on City property. This will be installed on City Park and other parcels with unwanted motor vehicle traffic. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bjorgaard and carried.*
- 5) The Council discussed the City of Newfolden's current role in the Humblebees Café Senior Meals and Meals on Wheels Program activity. The Senior Meals and MOW is a service privately contracted by café management, Jaci Pfau. After five years of organizing the MOW delivery rotation of volunteers, the council agreed this would best be managed by the café itself. This will improve the communication and the coordination of scheduling and will eliminate any confusion regarding contacts or expectations. The June, July and August rotation has been completed. The Café will be asked to assume this task and will be provided all templates and contact information by the end of May.
- 6) The council reviewed a Sonar report by Team Lab indicating sludge depths in the Newfolden lagoon. The council will direct Public Works to have this test repeated every ten years to monitor depths and determine necessary mitigation efforts.
- 7) The next scheduled meeting will be posted for June 1st at 5:00 PM.

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- 8) *Motion by Councilmember Gast to approve the purchase and installation of USPS approved post office boxes for the current occupants of the city shop and City Hall building, if tenants opt to change their mailing address from a PO Box to their physical address. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jacobson and carried.*
- 9) *The council discussed a quote presented by the LAH/BNP for the purchase of a portable PA system that can be used in and out of the community center and can accommodate the needs of various musicians. The existing microphone system is of aging technology, stationary, and works as intended. We will further inquire about whom will be responsible for the maintenance and storage of the PA system between uses. The city would be will to donate to the purchase if the LAH/BNP is willing to maintain ownership.*
- 10) *The council was informed that Darin Jacobson, manager of the Marshall County Insurance Office, has applied for the SCDP fix-up grant. This poses a potential conflict of interest as Darin also serves as a councilmember. It is required that this is made public to the council and a vote needs to inform the state that there are no objections to the application. Motion by Councilmember Bjorgaard that there is no objection to the application by Marshall County Mutual Insurance. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gast and carried. Councilmember Jacobson abstained from this vote.*
- 11) *Motion by Councilmember Jacobson to approve the submitted claims and timesheets. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bjorgaard and carried.*
- 12) *Motion by Councilmember Gast to adjourn the meeting. Second by Councilmember Jacobson and carried.*

Lori Warne
Mayor

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