City of North English
City Council Proceedings
Wednesday, May 1st, 2024
6:30 p.m.

- The North English City Council met in regular session at City Hall on Wednesday, May 1st, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. Roll call showed the following present: Mayor Strohman, Haugland, Garringer, Carter, and Custer. O'Rourke was absent. Also present: City Clerk Heyne, City Employees Knipfer and Lee, Vicki Oswald, and Casey Jarmes.
- Haugland, seconded by Garringer, made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Haugland, seconded by Custer, made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-10: Consideration and Award of contract for I-DOT Project STBG-SWAP-5555(601) Washington Street. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Strohman reported that grant application papers have been submitted in regards to the pedestrian bridge and we are waiting to hear back.
- Custer, seconded by Garringer, made a motion to approve/ sign the Community Catalyst and Building Remediation Grant award we received. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Discussion regarding parking on Oak Street ensued. Council agreed to gain resident input before making a decision as to how to proceed. Oak Street residents will be notified and invited to attend June meeting to discuss.
- Oswald addressed the council regarding installation of two mini libraries. Carter, seconded by Custer, made a motion to approve installing 2 mini libraries. The High School Tech group would make them at a cost of \$75 each. These would not be associated with the library. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Oswald also delivered the AED we received a grant for. This is to be installed on City Hall within the next two weeks.
- Garringer, seconded by Haugland, made a motion to approve applying for the DOT's Speed Feedback sign program. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Garringer, seconded by Custer, made a motion to approve Casey's Cigarette Permit. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Garringer, seconded by Carter, made a motion to approve a 5% raise for Heyne, Knipfer, and Lee for FY25. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Haugland, seconded by Garringer, made a motion to approve paying summer (mowing) help \$10/hr. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Strohman discussed current property issues. There are multiple properties that need mowed.
- City Services: Knipfer reported they need a sprayer for the lagoon area and what they are looking at would be just under \$1000. Permission was granted to go ahead and purchase.
- Garringer, seconded by Custer, made a motion to approve April 3rd Tax Levy Meeting Minutes. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent
- Carter, seconded by Haugland, made a motion to approve April 3rd Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent
- April 24th, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes were tabled due to absences.

- Garringer, seconded by Carter, made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Carter, seconded by Garringer, made a motion to approve May 2024 bills to be paid as indicated on the handout (\$64,436.98) plus any additional regular bills received due to the May1st meeting date. Motion carried with roll call vote as follows: Haugland, yes; Garringer, yes; Carter, yes; Custer, yes; O'Rourke, absent.
- Utility Report was shared.
- Public Comments: None
- Council Communications: Haugland reported a neighbor is violating the noise ordinance by revving his race car; he had a discussion with the resident. Garringer indicated a house near the City Park may be torn down in the near future and wondered about the city's interest in the lot. Carter indicated the Saturday Market will start up this upcoming weekend.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Tara Heyne, City Clerk/ Treasurer