CITY OF NEWPORT
SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
MAY 7, 2026

The City Council of the City of Newport, Arkansas met in special session May 7, 2026 in the Boardroom of City Hall.

Mayor Ratliffe called the meeting to order. City Clerk/Treasurer Hembrey called the roll. Council members present were Michael Allen, Allen Edwards, Carol Falwell, Wendell Green, Regina Lake, Andy May and Julie Moss. City Attorney Pettie was present. Council Member Mansko was absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BID CONSIDERATION: CONSTRUCTION OF A TURF SOFTBALL FIELD-GEORGE KELL PARK

Mayor Ratliffe presented proof of publication in the Arkansas Democrat Gazette and the written bid tabulation for the George Kell Park Softball Field. Six bids were received:

1. C&S Contracting dba FARCO	$1,525,700
2. GeoSurfaces	$1,139,000
3. Mammoth Sports Const.	$1,557,000
4. Nationwide Sports Const.	$1,198,000
5. Olympus Construction	$1,746,996
6. Wagner General Contractors	$1,785,000

Mayor Ratliffe stated Nationwide Sports Construction had withdrawn their bid.
A motion by Edwards and second by Lake to accept the bid of GeoSurfaces for $1,139,000 carried (7/0) with "yes" votes by Allen, May, Edwards, Green, Moss, Falwell and Lake.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH NEWPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING TO-BE CONSTRUCTED SOFTBALL FIELD AND FACILITIES AT GEORGE KELL PARK

After discussion, City Attorney Pettie read the Resolution in its entirety authorizing the Mayor to execute a lease agreement with Newport School District. A motion by Edwards and second by Allen to accept the Resolution carried (7/0) with "yes" votes by Falwell, Green, May, Edwards, Lake, Allen and Moss.

With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THE 1ST DAY OF JUNE, 2026

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK