

# Town of Newton Grove

## Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

December 8, 2025

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Newton Grove was held on December 8, 2025.

Present: Mayor Craig Warren, Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Raynor, Commissioner, Commissioner Bartley Warren, Commissioner George Schwartz, Commissioner Alan Herring, and Commissioner Cody Smith

Staff Present: Town Clerk Amanda Baggett, Deputy Clerk Dana Ellington, and Legal Lew Starling

Staff Absent: Police Chief Greg Warren

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and opening prayer.**
3. **Financial Review.** Upon motion by Commissioner Alan Herring, seconded by Commissioner George Schwartz, and passed by unanimous vote, the financial review was approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Upon motion by Commissioner Bartley Warren, seconded by Commissioner Cody Smith, and passed by unanimous vote, the minutes for November 10, 2025 were approved.
5. **Swearing in of Commissioners and Mayor.** Lew Starling swore in Commissioner George Schwartz, Commissioner Alan Herring, Commissioner Chris Raynor, and Mayor Craig Warren.
6. **Clerk Comment.** Please see attached.
7. **Public Comment.** No public comment.
8. **Departmental Reports.**
  - A. **Street Department – Commissioner Chris Raynor.** Commissioner Raynor reported no issues with trash. Thanked everyone for all their help with Circle of Lights and the parade. Close to finishing up mowing for the year and have a few potholes that need attention but will have to wait till it warms up.

**B. Police Department – Commissioner Alan Herring.** Commissioner Herring reported no issues. New police car is now in service. All training for tasers will be completed within the next two weeks.

**C. Buildings & Grounds – George Schwartz.** Commissioner Schwartz reported no issues. Need to put guards on gutters at the library.

**D. Public Works Department and Zoning – Commissioner Cody Smith.** Commissioner Smith reported the Carolina Council of Governments filed the necessary paperwork for grant money for SCADA system and its in the process of being repaired. Glenn Holland has had shoulder surgery and is recovering well.

**E. Parks & Special Projects – Commissioner Bartley Warren.** Commissioner Warren thanked everyone for their work with parade and Circle of Lights. Cookies with Santa is Wednesday from 6-8pm.

**9. Mayor’s Comments.** Mayor Warren thanked everyone for all their help with our Christmas events. He also reiterated and agreed with Clerk Baggett that the public will need to make an appointment if they have a complaint about water bill. The staff shouldn’t have to take on this by themselves.

**10. Adjournment.**

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Craig Warren, Mayor ATTEST:

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Amanda Baggett, Town Clerk