



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF NEOGA  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL  
AUGUST 11, 2014, AT 7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Modglin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Lindley, Hartke, Groves, Mayor Modglin and City Clerk Evans. Others present were Treasurer Diana Foor, Superintendent Tom Helm, Police Chief Andy Schabbing, Engineer Joy Rexshell, and Neoga News editor Martin Gibson. Commissioner Kepp arrived at 7:05 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Commissioner Lindley made a motion to approve the regular and executive session minutes from July 28, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioners Lindley, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Commissioner Groves abstained. Motion carried. 3-0.

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR MODGLIN**

**CONTRACT WITH FOTH INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT**

Mayor Modglin explained to the Council that Foth Infrastructure and Environment's Champaign office has been purchased by Farnsworth. Mayor Modglin told the council that a decision needs to be made on whether the City wants to stay with Foth infrastructure or move all the projects over to Farnsworth. After little discussion, Commissioner Groves made the motion to transfer all projects to Farnsworth, so the same engineers can continue with our current projects. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

**PURCHASE OF NEW COMPUTER**

Mayor Modglin said that the Peace Corps Fellow will be arriving soon, and a used computer for him to use will cost the city over \$350. Mayor Modglin recommended that the city purchase a new laptop for City Administrator Evans and allow the Peace Corps Fellow to use her old computer. After little discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to purchase the new computer for \$968. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

**100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PLAQUE**

Mayor Modglin said that he thought it would be nice to recognize anyone who has reached their 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. City Clerk Evans spoke with Charlie McKinney who said that four (4) citizens

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have reached this milestone. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to designate March 22<sup>nd</sup> as Jesse Cooper day, June 22<sup>nd</sup> as Winifred Buchanan day, July 24<sup>th</sup> as Verda Clay day, and August 6<sup>th</sup> as Helen Short day. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Hartke, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

### **IKE GRANT UPDATE**

Joy Rexshell, the engineer overseeing the IKE Drainage project, updated the council on the project. Rexshell said that the 7<sup>th</sup> Street crossing has reopened, and the walk bridge has been reinstalled on 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Rexshell also said that the contractor is scheduling with the crane operator and AmerenCIPS to set the boxes on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Engineer Rexshell suggested that the 12" culvert under the alley at Grove Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Street be replaced due to it being crushed throughout the years. The Council thanked Rexshell and agreed to have Superintendent Helm order a culvert for the contractor to replace the one in the alley.

### **FINANCE, COMMISSIONER HARTKE**

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

After reviewing the treasurer's report, Mayor Modglin ordered the financial report to be placed into the files of the City Clerk.

### **PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY**

ORDINANCE #859-08-14 An Ordinance Authorizing the Imposition of a Cable and Video Service Provider Fee and Peg Access Support Fee; Adoption of Cable and Video Customer Protection Law

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Lindley made a motion to approve the ordinance as proposed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Lindley, Kepp, Hartke, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

ORDINANCE #860-08-14 An Ordinance Establishing Standards for the Construction of Utility Facilities within the Public Ways of the City of Neoga, Illinois

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Groves made a motion to approve the ordinance as proposed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

### **STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER GROVES**

No report was given.

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**HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER KEPP**

Commissioner Kepp asked what the status was on the 811 Shaffer property. Evans said that the bid process has begun; however, the city has not received any sealed bids as of today.

Chief Schabbing told the Council that the squad car has had both ball joints and a tension strut replaced, as well as an alignment. Schabbing also said that the police department had 110 calls in July, 13 felony arrest, and a number of calls on vandalism.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Groves made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioners Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

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Howard W. Modglin, Mayor

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Brenda Evans, City Clerk

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Date