



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
NEOGA HELD IN
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 533 CHESTNUT
DECEMBER 20, 2010, AT 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Modglin, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Lindley, Kepp, Varner, Groves, Mayor Modglin, and City Clerk Evans. Others present were City Treasurer Diana Foor, Kevin Howard, Tammie Howard, Lincoln Andrews, Kathy Andrews, and Marty Hartke.

MINUTES

After reviewing the regular session minutes from December 6, 2010, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioners Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Commissioner Lindley and Varner abstained. Motion carried. 3-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

NEOGA DAYS “BEER TENT”

Lincoln Andrews addressed the Council regarding the Neoga Days 2011 “Beer Tent”. Mr. Andrews said that he would like to get permission to proceed with the license application. Because of the requirements it takes a great length of time to complete the application. Although it was not on the agenda, the Council said that they had not heard of any problems from last year, and they felt it was a positive addition to the Neoga Days tradition. Mayor Modglin told Andrews to proceed with the applications, and the Council would have it on the next agenda.

RECYCLING PROGRAMS

Mayor Modglin updated the Council on the last meeting when two individuals discussed with the Council what they could offer in regards to recycling programs. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to place a recycling dumpster across the street from the police department and allow Baby Huey to have an appliance pickup once a month if he would like. The Council decided to hold off on curb side recycling. They were not sure how many people actually recycle, and they were afraid that items would be sitting out in their yards for too long.

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RESOLUTION #16-12-10 A Resolution Authorizing Execution of the TIF
Redevelopment Agreement with Westmore Equities, LLC.

After reviewing the resolution, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to accept the resolution as presented. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Varner. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Varner, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

GRANT APPLICATION

Mayor Modglin explained to the Council that Tom Overmyer has contacted him regarding a grant opportunity that will assist communities with drainage problems. This grant is the result of the flooding that occurred in 2008, and it will help communities that have drainage problems. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to have the Mayor proceeds with the application.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DUES

After reviewing the yearly dues of \$1,000, Commissioner Varner made a motion to pay the dues for the year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Varner, Groves, Lindley, Kepp and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

COLES TOGETHER

City Clerk Evans shared a letter from Coles Together that offered to return the money that the City of Neoga donated to them in an effort to land FutureGen. After the discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to allow Coles Together to keep the \$500 and use it to attract businesses that may benefit the City of Neoga. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Varner, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

FINANCE

BILLS

After reviewing the proposed bills, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$93,752.25 which included the annual audit, the archway at the cemetery, and the city's liability & workman's comp insurance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Varner. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Varner, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0

TREASURER REPORT

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

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ORDINANCE # 811-12-10 An Ordinance Levying and Assessing the Taxes for the City of Neoga For 2010

After reviewing the Ordinance, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to accept it as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Varner. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Varner, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

PUBLIC PROPERTY

PAY REQUEST FOR KENNETH BETH

The Council reviewed a pay request from Kenneth Beth for services rendered regarding the Neoga Memorial Cemetery in the amount of \$1,242.50. After reviewing, Commissioner Varner made the motion to pay the request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Varner, Groves, Lindley, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Kepp made a motion to move into executive session at 8:03 p.m. for Personnel – section 2 (c) (1) - Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline, and performance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Varner. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Groves, Lindley, Varner, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

RECONVENED AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was reconvened at 8:53 p.m. on a motion from Commissioner Kepp, and seconded by Commissioner Varner. Those present for roll call were: Commissioners Kepp, Varner, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin.

CHRISTMAS BONUS

Commissioner Groves made a motion to give each full time employee \$50 in “Community Bucks” and \$20 to part time employees. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Varner and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

STREETS AND ALLEYS

No report was given

HEALTH AND SAFETY

No report was given

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Groves to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Varner, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

Howard W. Modglin, Mayor

Brenda Evans, City Clerk

Date