



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
NEOGA HELD IN
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 533 CHESTNUT
DECEMBER 6, 2010, AT 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Modglin, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Kepp, Groves, Mayor Modglin, and City Clerk Evans. Commissioners Varner and Lindley were absent. Others present were City Treasurer Diana Foor, Fred Honaker, Kevin Howard, Tammie Howard, Hank Stevens, Glenn Braden, Police Chief Gerry Mattern, and Nancy Lawson.

MINUTES

After reviewing the regular, executive, and public hearing session minutes from November 15, 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. Motion carried. 3-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

RECYCLING PROGRAMS

Mayor Modglin explained that the City of Neoga has been researching the idea of a recycling program, and told the commissioners that two companies were there to review their services. Kevin Howard, from Howard's Trash Service, explained that they could set a recycling dumpster across from the City building. They would accept cardboard, plastic, and aluminum, but they are not recycling glass at this time. Howard also explained that the City of Neoga would not be charged for any trash that was left in the dumpster. Fred Honaker, from Baby Huey's Recycling, explained that he would offer curb side recycling and would accept cardboard, all colors of glass, newspapers, plastic bottles, tin, and aluminum cans. Honaker said that he would have the recycling picked up every two (2) weeks at the residents' curb. City Clerk Evans explained that she would put a spread sheet together for the council and it would include other interested companies as well. Mayor Modglin thanked both Howard and Honaker and informed them that the City would be in contact with them.

ORDINANCE 807-12-10 An Ordinance Approving Neoga Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Plan and Redevelopment Project

After reviewing the Ordinance, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

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ORDINANCE 808-12-10 An Ordinance Designating the Neoga Tax Increment
Financing Redevelopment Project Area

After reviewing the Ordinance, Commissioner Groves made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

ORDINANCE 809-12-10 An Ordinance Adopting Tax Increment Financing

After reviewing the Ordinance, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

ORDINANCE 810-12-10 An Ordinance Imposing a Simplified Telecommunications
Tax

After reviewing the Ordinance, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

RESOLUTION 15-12-10 A Resolution to Enter into Contractual Agreement for
Revolving Loan Fund Administration & Coordination
Services with the Coles County Regional Planning &
Development Commissioner

After reviewing the resolution, Commissioner Groves made a motion to accept the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

ILLINOIS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL DUES

City Clerk Evans said that she would recommend paying these dues because they do pass along information to us on regular bases. After reviewing the invoice, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to pay the due for the 2011 year in the amount of \$250. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

2011 MEETING DATES

City Clerk Evans gave the Council a list of the 2011 regular scheduled meeting dates for the Council. After reviewing the dates, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to accept the dates for the Council meetings on the first and third meetings of each month unless that date fell on a holiday. In that event, the meeting will be held the next day. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

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FINANCE

IMLRMA INSURANCE RENEWAL

City Clerk Evans explained that the city's insurance is due again. City Treasurer Diana Foor told the Council that last year the cost was \$39,700. This year it is \$45,794, which is an increase of \$6,094. That includes a discount if paid all at once. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the insurance invoice in one payment. Commissioner Kepp seconded the motion. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

VIDEO SYSTEM FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Mattern explained to the Council that the video system that they approved for him to purchase will not work with his current computer system so he didn't purchase it. Mattern said that he is currently seeking bids for a new computer system that will be compatible. Chief Mattern also said that he has applied for a grant for two video systems but does not know how soon he will hear back on it. The Council agreed that there is no sense in purchasing outdated equipment and told Chief Mattern to bring back the quotes.

PUBLIC PROPERTY

CEMETERY UPDATE

A brief discussion was held on how the Neoga Township meeting went. It was the consensus of the Council to send a certified letter to the township requesting a response to the previous letter that was given to them on December 6, 2010. The Council also wants each Commissioner added to the Township's January 2011 agenda so they can address the board as well.

BID OPENING AT 794 LOCUST.

Mayor Modglin explained to the Council that the bid opening was held earlier and they had two bids for the property at 794 Locust Avenue. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to accept the bid in the amount of \$5000 as long as they meet the qualifications of our ordinance and the City of Neoga will pay the taxes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Kepp made a motion to move into executive session at 8:49 p.m. for Personnel – section 2 (c) (1) - Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline, and performance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

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RECONVENED AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was reconvened at 9:54 p.m. on a motion from Commissioner Groves, and seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Those present for roll call were: Commissioners Kepp, Groves, and Mayor Modglin.

PAY SCHEDULE FOR 2011

After executive session, Commissioner Groves made a motion to set the 2011 pay schedule as follows:

- Police Chief Mattern, Public Works Employee Wiltermood, Building Inspector, Ron Boeser, and Part-Time Police Officers will remain the same as 2010.
- Police Officer Fuller and Coker – 3% increase
- Superintendent Helm – name as Superintendent with 10% increase in pay plus overtime.
- Public Works Employee Fearday – 4% increase
- City Clerk / Administrator Evans and City Treasurer Foor – 3% increase

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

STREETS AND ALLEYS

No report was given

HEALTH AND SAFETY

No report was given

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Kepp to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

Howard W. Modglin, Mayor

Brenda Evans, City Clerk

Date