



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
NEOGA HELD IN  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 533 CHESTNUT  
January 9, 2012, 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, Hartke, Groves, Mayor Modglin, and City Clerk Evans. Others present were City Treasurer Diana Foor, Chief of Police Julius, and Police Officer Schabbing.

## **MINUTES**

After reviewing the regular and executive session minutes from December 12<sup>th</sup>, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to approve them as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Hartke, Groves, Lindley and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

## **PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

### ILLINOIS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL YEARLY DUES

City Clerk Evans explained to the Council that the yearly dues for IDC are \$250. This is one organization that we do receive information from regarding prospective businesses. After little discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the dues in the amount of \$250. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

### NEOGA MEMORIAL CEMETERY

Mayor Modglin said that the survey information is still not put together, but will need to be done soon so there is time to put the petitions together for the annual meeting.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Julius thanked the Council for approving the building renovations and explained how refreshing it was for everyone. Julius asked for guidance from the Council on how to proceed with the removal of junk vehicles on personal property. It was the consensus of the council to proceed with enforcing the junk vehicle ordinance. Mr. Julius also introduced the idea of a K-9 unit as well as another full time officer. The Council asked that Chief Julius bring costs for each back to them for review.

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**FINANCE, COMMISSIONER GROVES**

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

BILLS

After reviewing the proposed bills, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$107,413.68. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0

**PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER KEPP**

AWARDING OF THE WATER TOWER PAINTING BID

After a brief discussion regarding the bids for the painting of the water tower, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to accept the bid from Central Tank for the repainting of the water tower at a cost of \$215,750. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Hartke, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

PHOENIX CONSULTING ENGINEERS, LTD PAY REQUEST

After reviewing the pay request for the water tower bids, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to pay the request in the amount of \$2550.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Hartke, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

PAINTING OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

City Clerk Evans informed the Council that the painting of the annex building was complete, with the exception of Superintendent Helms office, and the cost was less than expected. After reviewing the invoice, Commissioner Hartke made a motion to pay the painting request in the amount of \$1,875.50. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Hartke, Groves, Lindley, Kepp, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

FLOORING FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS / POLICE BUILDING

Commissioner Kepp explained to the Council that he attempted a new process on the floors in the Public Works/Police department building; however, it didn't work as expected. Kepp asked that the Council approve the cost of the machine that he rented in his attempt. The amount was \$238. City Clerk Evans asked the Council to reimburse Kepp for removing the old flooring at a cost of \$200. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Hartke made a motion to pay the machine rental in the amount of \$238

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and for the removal of flooring in the amount of \$200. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Hartke, Groves, Lindley and Mayor Modglin. Commissioner Kepp abstained. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

**STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER HARTKE**

FIBER OPTIC CABLE PERMIT

City Clerk Evans explained that the state is placing a fiber optic cable along Interstate 57 and are asking for a permit from the City allowing them to extend the cable along Wilson Avenue between 5<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Commissioner Hartke made a motion to grant the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Hartke, Groves, Lindley, Kepp and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Kepp to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner 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