



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF NEOGA HELD IN
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 533 CHESTNUT
NOVEMBER 3, 2008, AT 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Russell and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Lindley, Kepp, Modglin, Mayor Russell, and City Clerk Evans. Others present were Public Works Superintendent Stan Hagerstrom, and Foth Infrastructure representative Greg Cook.

MINUTES

After reviewing the regular session minutes from October 20, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioners Kepp, Modglin, Lindley, and Mayor Russell. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

No Report was given.

FINANCE

2008 AUDIT

Commissioner Modglin discussed with the Council the 2008 Audit Report that they received in their packets.

PUBLIC PROPERTY

SUPERINTENDENT HAGERSTROM REPORT

Superintendent Hagerstrom reviewed his report with the council. Hagerstrom said that he has discussed with the postmaster the one way signs in the alley, and she has asked that the City wait for a few days until she discusses it with the regional office out of St.Louis. Hagerstrom also discussed the speed limit signs on E. 7th Street. After a lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to put the speed limit signs up with the school signs.

PAY REQUEST FOR FOTH

After reviewing the pay request, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to pay the request in the amount of \$2,896.64 for services rendered on the Phase II Sewer Construction project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Kepp, Modglin, Lindley, and Mayor Russell. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

STREETS AND ALLEYS

STREET LIGHT AT 6TH & ELM

The Neoga City Council reviewed the cost for moving and/or replacing the street light at 6th & Elm Avenue. AmerenCIPS gave two options for the light. One option was to relocate the existing light to the north side of Trowbridge road & West side of Elm Street at a cost of \$2,325.00. The second option was to install a new light on the South side of Trowbridge road and West side of Elm Street at a cost of \$2,515.00. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to ask if AmerenCIPS could place an extension arm on the current light and extend it over the street. The Council also wants to ask AmerenCIPS to trim the trees in the area for better lighting.

PAY REQUEST FROM BRADEN LAW OFFICE

After reviewing the pay request from Braden Law Office, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to pay the request in the amount of \$1,875 for services rendered on the Dogwood Drainage project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Modglin. Ayes, Commissioners Kepp, Modglin, Lindley, and Mayor Russell. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

6th STREET RECONSTRUCTION CHANGES

Foth Infrastructure Representative Greg Cook explained to the Council that after the road had been reopened some complaints have been received regarding the tight curb at the intersection of 6th @ Elm Avenue. Cook said that he has spoke with Ben Bland, IDOT, and Stan Hagerstrom. Cook said that IDOT has recommended that the No Right Turn sign be removed; however, Foth feels that the sign should stay. Cook said that removing or leaving the sign would be left to the city to decide. Another recommendation was to add a stop sign on Elm Avenue going south and to remove the curb on the south side of the intersection. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Kepp made a motion to keep the no right turn sign, add the stop sign, and change the radius to a B-6.48. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Modglin. Ayes, Commissioners Kepp, Modglin, Lindley, and Mayor Russell. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

Commissioner Kepp also mentioned that he received a few complaints regarding the police citations that were written over the weekend on the Trowbridge Road. Chief Mattern said that five citations were issued to people who were coming into Neoga on Trowbridge road for speeding. Mattern assured the Council that the tickets were issued to people who were driving more than 10 MPH over the limit.

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NEW SQUAD CAR EQUIPMENT

Chief Mattern said that the new squad car is almost ready to be put on the street; however, some equipment is still needed to be installed.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Commissioner Lindley mentioned to Superintendent Hagerstrom that he is still waiting to have the fire hydrant replaced on Burrows Avenue. Superintendent Hagerstrom said that it is still on the to-do-list.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Modglin made a motion to move into executive session at 8:13 p.m. for Section 2 (c) (21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Modglin, Lindley, Kepp, and Mayor Russell. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

RECONVENED AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was reconvened at 8:15 p.m. on a motion from Commissioner Modglin, and seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Those present for roll call were: Commissioners Modglin, Lindley, Kepp and Mayor Russell.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Modglin to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Lindley, Kepp, Modglin and Mayor Russell. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

Jay Russell, Mayor

Brenda Evans, City Clerk

Date