



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF NEOGA
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL
NOVEMBER 10, 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, Peace Corps Fellow John Juliano, Police Chief Andy Schabbing, Engineer Larry Johnson, Engineer Andy Handfland, Tony Reynolds, Engineer Tom Overmyer, John Klein, John Klein Jr., and Kathleen Klein.

MINUTES

Commissioner Hartke made a motion to approve the regular session minutes from October 27, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioners Hartke, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR MODGLIN

BUSINESS WALK DONATION

City Treasurer Diana Foor informed the council that Mapping Group 1 will be holding their second annual Business Walk on December 6th. Foor asked for a donation for door prices. Commissioner Groves stated that he is completely behind the Mapping Groups efforts, and made a motion to donate \$150 for door prices. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Hartke and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

INTERSTATE SIGN ASSISTANCE

John Juliano gave the council a breakdown of the cost for local businesses to advertise along I-57. According to Juliano, the cost to have signs on the north and south side of the Neoga exit would be \$1,416.42 for a restaurant, and \$1,369.62 for a filling station. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the initial startup cost for a one color sign for each participating business. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

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EXTENDING FIRE HOUSE HOURS

City Clerk Evans said that Fire House owner Frank Miller is requesting the Council extend his hours on Nov. 26 & 27, Dec. 24, 25, & 31st until 1a.m. and Feb. 1st till 12 a.m. Commissioner Hartke made a motion to extend the hours as requested. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Hartke, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

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.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

City Clerk Evans told the Council that the employees' health insurance is due for renewal on December 1st and gave them a spreadsheet of the new quotes. Evans said that currently the employees were not using the insurance due to the high deductible, and since the current policy was not ACA compliant, she received quotes for insurance with co-pays. Commissioner Groves stated that he wanted to see quotes with HSAs.

IMLRMA PREMIUM

City Clerk Evans told the council that it was the time of year again for the annual insurance with Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association. This year the premium totaled \$58,250. However, if the premium is paid in full by November 21st, there would be a discount of 1.5%. This discount would reduce the payment to \$57,376.25. After very little discussion, Commissioner Hartke made a motion to pay the premium in full of \$57,376.25. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Hartke, Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY

ALEXANDER CEMETERY MONUMENT

City Clerk Evans told the Council that William Alexander brought an estimate in to replace the slab of marble under his monument. According to Evans, Alexander accused the mowing company of chipping the front corners of the slab. After a lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to talk to M & E Mowing about paying for the cost of the repair.

NPDES PERMIT

Farnsworth Group Engineer Larry Johnson discussed the current draft NPDES permit which does not require CMOM; however, IEPA has said that it will be added to the permit. When the CMOM is added it will open another comment period which will allow individuals and / or environment groups to make comments. Johnson said that if comments are sent into the IEPA

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this could cause IEPA to add additional requirements to the permit. Johnson recommended that the city send a letter to IEPA stating that the city concur with the CMOM requirement. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to send a letter to the IEPA stating the City of Neoga concurs with the CMOM requirements.

STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER GROVES

IKE DRAINAGE PAY REQUEST

Phoenix Engineer Tom Overmyer updated the Council on the IKE Drainage project and explained the current draft pay request in the amount of \$107,171.34. According to Overmyer, the project is less than 3% over the estimated cost. John Klein told the Council that there are items on a punch list that he would like to discuss with the council. Mayor Modglin told Mr. Klein that he and Mr. Overmyer needed to work on it before presenting it to the Council.

HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER KEPP

No report was given.

In other business, Chief Schabbing told the Council that one of the squad car laptop computers is extremely aged and no longer supported by Windows XP. It was the consensus of the Council to get quotes for a new computer.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Lindley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioners Lindley, Hartke, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

Howard W. Modglin, Mayor

Brenda Evans, City Clerk

Date