



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF NEOGA
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL
OCTOBER 9, 2012, 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 Kepp, Hartke, Groves, Mayor Modglin, and City Clerk Evans. Others present were City Treasurer Diana Foor, and Vernon Roy with the Grace United Methodist Church.

MINUTES

Commissioner Kepp made a motion to approve the regular and executive session minutes from September 24, 2012 as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioners Kepp, Hartke, Groves, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

Commissioner Groves made a motion to approve the special meeting minutes from October 2, 2012 as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR MODGLIN

SALE OF REAL ESTATE AT LOT 7 & 8 IN BACON AND JENNINGS ADDITION

Vernon Roy from the Grace United Methodist Church discussed the possibility of purchasing the eastern 60' of lot 15 and all of lots 7 & 8 in Bacon and Jennings Addition. Roy told the Council that the church is interested in purchasing the lots. The Council explained to Mr. Roy that state statutes require the city to sell property at no less than 80% of the appraised value. One concern that the Council had is selling the eastern 60' of Lot 15 which currently has the coin sales building located on it. Mr. Roy said that the Church would be willing to lease the property with the building on it to the city; however, the Council did not want to sell the property that the coin sales building is located on. The Council did agree to sell the southeastern 40' of Lot 15. After the discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to consult with the city attorney about extending the expired agreement because the church has continued to pay the lease payment, and if not have the property appraised for the sale.

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NHS YEARBOOK AD AND SPORTS PROGRAM AD

City Clerk Evans said that she received a request for the city to advertise in the NHS Yearbook as well as the Sports Program. Commissioner Kepp told the Council he felt this would be a good opportunity to place an ad in the sports program because it will be viewed by people outside our area when they attend an activity. Kepp also recommended that the Council show support for the school by purchasing an ad in the yearbook. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to purchase a ¼ page ad in the NHS yearbook for \$90 and a ½ page ad in the sports program in the amount of \$150. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

POLICE POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

Police Chief Julius had previously given the Council a copy of the Police Policy and Procedure manual that he would like to have added to the City Employee Personnel Policy. City Clerk Evan explained that although the city policy is currently being revised, this manual could be added to it. Commissioner Groves recommended that the policy coincide with the employee policy.

FINANCE, COMMISSIONER GROVES

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

PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER KEPP

PAINTING OF CITY OWNED PROERTY

City Clerk Evans informed the Council that the buildings are in the process of being painted; however, the Company misquoted one building. Evans said that Brad Martz from MBO Painting said that the quote for the public works shop was for the roof only, and to have the sides done as well would be another \$5200. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to have the sides painted on the public works shop for \$5200. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kepp. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER HARTKE

Commissioner Hartke told the Council that the city offices have been receiving numerous complaints regarding trailers parked along city streets. Hartke handed out copies of the City of Mattoon's ordinance, and after a brief discussion it was the consensus to have an ordinance drafted as well.

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HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY

No report was given.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Groves made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Kepp, Hartke, and Mayor Modglin. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

Howard W. Modglin, Mayor

Brenda Evans, City Clerk

Date