



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF NEOGA
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL
SEPTEMBER 14, 2015, AT 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Kepp. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Lindley, Modglin, Hartke, Edwards, Mayor Kepp, and City Clerk Evans. Others present were City Treasurer Diana Foor, Chief of Police Andy Schabbing, Superintendent Tom Helm, Police Officer James Fuller, Police Officer John Dilger, Public Works Scott Shumard, Public Works Shawn Durbin, and Billie Chambers.

MINUTES

Commissioner Lindley made a motion to approve the regular session minutes from August 24, 2015, as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioners Lindley, Modglin, Hartke, Edwards, and Mayor Kepp. Motion carried. 5-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR KEPP

PRESENTATION TO CITY EMPLOYEES

Mayor Kepp presented travel mugs to all the full time employees for their dedication and going the extra mile the last few months. Kepp asked the employees to continue to work hard and complete the extra projects that are scheduled. Mayor Kepp then asked the Commissioners to give a travel mug to each full time employee.

PURCHASE OF COMPUTER AND DOCKING STATIONS

Police Chief Schabbing told the Council that the department needs to purchase a new in car computer and two docking stations. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Hartke made a motion to purchase one computer at a cost of \$2,674 and two docking stations at \$769 each for a total of \$4,212. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Hartke, Edwards, Lindley, Modglin, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

PURCHASE OF BULLET PROOF VESTS

Police Chief Schabbing told the Council that he received notification that the police department will receive a grant for \$799 for two bullet proof vests. This was discussed at an earlier meeting. With no further discussion, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to purchase two bullet proof vest for the department. The motion was seconded by

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Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Lindley, Modglin, Hartke, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

FINANCE, COMMISSIONER HARTKE

TREASURER'S REPORT

After viewing the treasurer's report, Mayor Kepp ordered the financial reports to be placed into the files of the City Clerk.

PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER MODGLIN

ORDINANCE #872-09-15 An Ordinance to Amend Sections 82-56 of the Code of Ordinances to Increase the Water Security Deposit for Nonowners

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Modglin made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Modglin, Hartke, Edwards, Lindley, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

SEWER PLANT IMPROVEMENTS

The Council discussed the waste water treatment plant and the upcoming upgrade that needed to be completed. After a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Modglin made a motion to continue with Milano & Grunloh Engineers for the project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioner Modglin, Hartke, Edwards, Lindley, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

STREETS & ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS

Commissioner Edwards stated that he has received some complaints about the weeds along the Trowbridge road close to 6th and Elm Avenue. Edwards also reported that the 2015 MFT project should begin next week with the oil and chip on the designated streets.

HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY

Commissioner Lindley said that he didn't have anything to report but said things around Neoga were looking better, and he thanked Diana Foor for her hard work with the Veterans' Memorial.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Diana Foor told the council that the Neoga Veterans' Memorial committee is continuing with their fundraising by holding a raffle with multiple items to be given away. Foor also said that Milano & Grunloh is doing all the engineering for \$100.

Superintendent Helm said that the dirt pile behind the shop will be hauled away by Larry Montgomery in the next week or two.

Commissioner Modglin announced to the Council that she will be resigning her position on the Council because her husband is retiring sooner than expected. Modglin said after his retirement they will be traveling to see family and friends. Commissioner Modglin said that she doesn't feel that it would be fair to represent the citizens and not attend the meetings, so her last day will be September 30th. The other council members gave both condolences and congratulations as well as wishing them safe travels.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Lindley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hartke. Ayes, Commissioners Lindley, Modglin, Hartke, Edwards, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

Brenda Evans, City Clerk

Date