



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF NEOGA  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2014, AT 7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Lindley, Groves, Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke, and City Clerk Evans. Others present were Treasurer Diana Foor, Public Works Superintendent Helm, Engineer Joy Rexshell, Peace Corps Fellow John Juliano, and Neoga News Editor Martin Gibson.

**MINUTES**

Commissioner Groves made a motion to approve the regular session minutes from September 8, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioners Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR MODGLIN**

NEW LIGHTS IN MUNICIPAL BUILDING

City Clerk Evans informed the Council that the lighting in the municipal building is in need of updating. Currently, a number of the lights are bad. Evans presented an estimate from Sudkamp Plumbing, Heating, Electric, Inc. The estimate had three options on it. Option #1 was to install 52 Lithonia GT3MV3 lamp troffer fixtures with lamps for \$5122. Option #2 was to install 52 Lithonia GT4MV4 lamp troffer fixtures with lamps for \$5335. Option #3 was to install 52 Lithonia PT3MV3 lamp parabolic fixtures with lamps for \$6417. All of the options included installation but did not include disposal of the old fixtures. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to look for lighting grants to help defray the cost.

CONCRETE PADS FOR WELCOME SIGNS

City Clerk Evans updated the Council on the new welcome signs that should be ready within a week or two. Evans told the Council that the sign company has mentioned that the signs will sit on two rods that will be in concrete. Evans asked if the council wanted the sign to sit on a concrete pad or just landscape around the signs. It was the consensus of the Council to table the subject until the next meeting.

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**ZONING BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

City Clerk Evans told the Council that the zoning board met; however, due to a lack of a quorum, they were not able to recommend anyone to replace Joe Briggerman and Earnest Decker. Evans said that they will schedule another meeting within the next few weeks.

**RESOLUTION #13-09-14** A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement with Other Illinois Municipalities

After reviewing the resolution, Commissioner Groves made a motion to accept the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**FINANCE, COMMISSIONER HARTKE**

**BILLS**

After reviewing the bill list, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$29,716.80. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioners Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL TREASURERS ASSOCIATION**

City Treasurer Foor told the Council that the annual treasurer's conference will be held November 16-20<sup>th</sup> in Bloomington. Foor said that this is the conference that earns her continuing education points to keep her certification current. With little discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay for all the expenses to allow Foor to attend the conference. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY**

**PURCHASE OF SALT/SAND SHED**

Superintendent Helm gave the Council two estimates for a salt/sand shed; however, Helm said that they were more expensive than he thought. After the Council reviewed the quotes, it was the consensus to get additional information.

**STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER GROVES**

**IKE GRANT EXTENSION**

Engineer Rexshell updated the Council on the status of the IKE Drainage project. According to Rexshell, the contractor has almost completed the project with the exception of seeding the area. Rexshell said that the contractor may be working a couple days into October and would like to have an extension. After a lengthy discussion, the Council was concerned that if an extension was given the Contractor would not work as hard to finish the project. The Council decided to review the project again at the next meeting.

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IKE GRANT PAY REQUEST

After reviewing the IKE Grant pay request #3, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the request in the amount of \$126,746.85. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER KEPP**

SETTLEMIRE PROPERTY ON LOCUST

City Clerk Evans informed the Council that the City recently obtained the deed to the Settlemire property, and can now sell the property. After a brief discussion, the consensus of the Council was to discuss it at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Groves made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioners Groves, Lindley, and Mayor Pro-Tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

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**Howard W. Modglin, Mayor**

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**Brenda Evans, City Clerk**

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**Date**