



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF NEOGA
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL
APRIL 25, 2016, 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, Edwards, Stokes, Mayor Kepp, and City Clerk Evans. Others present were, City Treasurer Diana Foor, Engineer Michael Streff, Martha Peters, and Neoga News Reporter Billie Chambers.

MINUTES

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the regular session minutes from April 11, 2016 as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stokes. Ayes, Commissioners Edwards, Stokes, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Commissioner Lindley abstained. Motion carried. 3-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR KEPP

AMA HILLCLIMB DONATION

Hill climb representative Martha Peters told the Council that the 2016 AMA Hill Climb Grand Championship will be held on July 30th and 31st. Peters said that they are currently working on finding volunteers to prepare for the event and work during that week. Peters said that they are looking for sponsors as well. Peters explained where the hill climb will be located and the work that has already been done for the event. After a lengthy discussion about how many people will be coming into Neoga for food and supplies, Commissioner Stokes made a motion to donate \$1,000 to the hill climb. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Stokes, Lindley, Edwards, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

NEOGA DAYS LIQUOR LICENSE

City Clerk Evans told the Council that the Neoga Days committee is asking for a special event license again this year for June 17th & 18th. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the special event liquor license for Neoga Days. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stokes. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Stokes, Lindley, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

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FINANCE, COMMISSIONER HARTKE

BILLS

After reviewing the bill list, Commissioner Stokes made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$36,327.09. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioners Stokes, Lindley, Edwards, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER STOKES

PAY REQUEST FROM FARNSWORTH

The Council reviewed a pay request from Farnsworth for work already completed on the waste water treatment plant facilities plan. After all questions were answered by Engineer Streff, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to pay the request in the amount of \$32,443.90. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Stokes, Lindley, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

STREETS & ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS

FLOWERS AND FLOWER POTS

City Clerk Evans told the Council that the flower pots and flowers for the downtown area needs to be purchased. After a lengthy discussion, it was the consensus to gather additional information before the next meeting.

HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY

No report was given.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to move into executive session for Personnel - Section 2 (c) (1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance at 7:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lindley. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Stokes, Lindley and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

RECONVENED AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was reconvened at 8:28 p.m. on a motion from Commissioner Edwards. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stokes. Those present for roll call were: Commissioners Edwards, Stokes, Edwards, and Mayor Kepp.

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ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stokes. Ayes, Commissioners Edwards, Stokes, Lindley, and Mayor Kepp. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

Brenda Evans, City Clerk

Date