

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF NEOGA HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING 533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL APRIL 10, 2023

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were Commissioners Helm, Hakman, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing. Others present were City Clerk Brenda Evans, City Treasurer Diana Foor, Chief of Police Andy Schabbing, and Neoga News Editor Billie Chambers.

#### **MINUTES**

After reviewing the regular session minutes from March 27, 2023, Commissioner Hakman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Helm. Ayes, Commissioner Hakman, Helm, and Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing. Nays, none. Commissioner Edwards abstained. Motion carried. 3-0.

# PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR HARTKE

ORDINANCE 1050-04-2023 An Ordinance Authorizing the Lease of Real Estate (Damon Potter- Cash Rent Farm Lease)

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Hakman made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Hakman, Edwards, Helm, and Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

ORDINANCE 1051-04-2023 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 66 of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Neoga, Illinois (Solid Waste)

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Helm. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Helm, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

ORDINANCE 1052-04-2023 An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Real Estate

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Hakman made the motion to approve the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Hakman, Edwards, Helm, and Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

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#### FINANCE, COMMISSIONER GROVES

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

After reviewing the treasurer's report, Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing ordered that the treasurer's report be filed in the City Clerk's records.

Ordinance 1053-04-2023 An Ordinance Setting Forth an Amended Budget of Estimated Receipts

and Disbursements and Making Appropriations for City Purposes of the City of Neoga, Cumberland County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year 2023 Commencing on May 1, 2022 and Ending on April 30, 2023

This was tabled until the next meeting.

## PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER HAKMAN

#### WASTEWATER SERVICES OUTSIDE CORPORATE LIMITS

City Clerk Evans informed the Council that she received a phone call from the owners of the proposed campground by Lake Mattoon. According to Evans, the property owner asked if the City would be interested in having the wastewater from the campground sent to the Neoga Wastewater treatment plant. Evans said it would be approximately 50 gals per camp site for approximately 9 months out of the year. There will be approximately 140 camp sites at the campground. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to ask for additional information.

# STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS

#### 2023 MFT PROGRAM

Commissioner Edwards said the city is still waiting for the bids to come back. Mayor Pro-tem Schabbing asked if Superintendent Durbin had a five (5) year plan for MFT. Schabbing thought it would be a good idea to have one.

#### TREE REMOVAL

Commissioner Edwards informed the Council that a tree needs to be removed in the alley between Oak and Locust Avenue and between 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Edwards explained that the tree was too large for the employees to handle. The quote from Shade Shifters was \$2,900. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to have the tree removed by Shade Shifters. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Helm, Hakman, and Mayor Protem Schabbing. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER HELM**

Commissioner Helm updated the Council on the wooden bridge at Jennings Park. Helm said that the Neoga Bucks Club has agreed to replace the bridge in the coming weeks.

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# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chief of Police Schabbing told the Council that he is looking into a grant for a School Resource Officer. Schabbing explained that the grant will pay 70% of the wages for an officer for 3 years with the understanding that the city would pay for the fourth year. Schabbing is also working with Neoga School Superintendent Haarman on this grant as well.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. The motion was seconded
by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Helm, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem
Schabbing. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

Brenda Evans, City Clerk