

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF NEOGA HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING 533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL FEBRUARY 13, 2023

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Helm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were Commissioners Hakman, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Helm. Others present were City Clerk Brenda Evans, City Treasurer Diana Foor, Superintendent Shawn Durbin, Dawn Schabbing, Paul Schabbing, and News Reporter Billie Chambers.

## **MINUTES**

After reviewing the regular session minutes from January 23. 2023, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-Tem Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the executive session minutes from December 27, 2022, January 9<sup>th</sup> and January 23, 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried.

# PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR HARTKE

RESOLUTION 01-02-2023 A Resolution Appointing Dawn Schabbing to the City Council of the City of Neoga, Illinois

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

## **OATH OF OFFICE**

City Clerk Evans administered the Oath of Office to Dawn Schabbing as Commissioner to full fill the remaining term of Ronnie Groves.

RESOLUTION 02-02-2023 A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding for Digital Ticketing Services

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

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## DONATION TO NEOGA DAYS 2023

City Clerk Evans informed the council that the city received a donation request from the Neoga Days 2023 committee. Evans explained that in the past couple years, the Council has given them \$500. Commissioner Edwards made a motion to donate \$500 to the Neoga Days 2023 committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schabbing. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Schabbing, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

## FINANCE, COMMISSIONER GROVES

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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

## PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER HAKMAN

Commissioner Hakman told the Council that he has received requests from the general public regarding allowing chickens inside the corporate limits. Hakman said he knows of a few families that has moved from the city because they didn't like the ordinances or that they wanted small livestock. Commissioner Hakman handed out the ordinances from Champaign, asked the Council to review the ordinance, and discuss it at the next meeting.

# STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS

## MFT 2023

Commissioner Edwards said that Superintendent Durbin is working on the finishing plans and should have it sent to the engineers in the coming days.

# HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER HELM

No report was given.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Paul Schabbing told the Council that he would recommend the public works department to prepare the roads with road pack prior to oil and chipping. Schabbing said that the county road going north out of town was a real mess when they tilled it up last year, but now it is better than the other areas roads.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to go into executive session at 7:16 p.m. for Personnel – Section 2 (c)(1) – Employee hiring, firing, compensation discipline, and performance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Schabbing, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

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#### RECONVENED AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was reconvened at 7:40 p.m. by a motion from Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Those present for roll call were Commissioner Edwards, Schabbing, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem Helm.

## **SALARY INCREASE**

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to give Treasure Foor an additional 4% increase in salary effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Schabbing, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Schabbing, Hakman, and Mayor Pro-tem Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

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