

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF NEOGA  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL  
DECEMBER 28, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Hartke. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Groves, Helm, Edwards, Hakman, and Mayor Hartke. Others present were City Clerk Brenda Evans, Police Chief Andy Schabbing, Engineer Lee Beckman, and Neoga News Editor Billie Chambers.

**MINUTES**

After reviewing the regular session minutes from December 14, 2020, Commissioner Hakman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Helm. Ayes, Commissioners Hakman, Groves, Helm, Edwards, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR HARTKE**

ORDINANCE #997-12-20 An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Personal Property (Police Radios and Other Miscellaneous Item)

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Groves made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Helm. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Helm, Edwards, Hakman, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

ORDINANCE #998-12-20 An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal Control Services

After reviewing the ordinance, Commissioner Groves asked why the city would even want to enter a contract with Animal Control Services. City Clerk Evans said that the City has their own animal control, and the only time we would use the County Animal Control is when our animal control is unavailable. Mayor Hartke asked for a motion on Ordinance #998-12-20, and none was made.

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### **POLICE K9**

Chief Schabbing told the Council that the police department did not receive the grant that he recently applied for; however, the police department has over \$12,000 pledged for the K9. Schabbing explained that the training facility in Indiana is offering a discount if the commitment to purchase a K9 is received by the end of December. Chief Schabbing said that there are two (2) types of K9 dogs. One is trained to find drugs and the other is dual trained to find drugs and track. The cost for a drug dog is discounted to \$10,470, and a dual-purpose dog is \$13,572. The fee would cover the purchase of a dog and room and board for the training. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Hakman made a motion to purchase the dual-purpose dog and purchase the equipment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Hakman, Helm, Edwards, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, Commissioner Groves. Motion carried. 4-1.

## **FINANCE, COMMISSIONER GROVES**

### **MONTHLY BILLS**

After reviewing the bill list, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$138,887.29. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Helm, Edwards, Hakman, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

## **PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER HAKMAN**

### **UPDATE ON PROJECTS**

Engineer Beckman updated the Council on the following projects:

**Sewer plant:** The bidding will take place in the next 30 days. IEPA plans and permits have been sent to IEPA, and the permit has been received. Rural Development has approved the plans and specifications. Currently waiting on DCEO to bid the project.

**Safe Routes to School:** IDOT recommended an application extending the previous ITEP Grant. The new SRTS application was submitted on November 19, 2019 and was not funded.

**Brighton Cabinets:** We should hear something back from IDOT regarding the additional \$33,000 to the City.

**CDAP Water Grant:** The application was submitted to DCEO on September 30, 2020 and should be announced the first of 2021.

**State Grant:** the grant was “reactivated”, and quarterly reports are being completed. The grant funds will be used with the RLF project.

**ITEP:** the joint agreement has been approved and executed by the City and approved by IDOT for Preliminary Engineering 1.

**RLF & State Grant:** Pay estimates 1A and 1B for stored materials in the amount of \$26,487.72 (1A) and \$23,054.60 (1B) are presented for approval.

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**PAY REQUEST #1A**

After reviewing the pay request, Commissioner Hakman made a motion to pay the request in the amount of \$26,487.72. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Hakman, Groves, Helm, Edwards, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

**PAY REQUEST #1B**

After reviewing the pay request, Commissioner Hakman made a motion to pay the request in the amount of \$23,054.60. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Hakman, Groves, Helm, Edwards, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

**STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS**

No report was given.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER HELM**

No report was given.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hakman. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Hakman, Groves, Helm, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0.

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Brenda Evans, City Clerk

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Date