

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF NEOGA  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL  
FEBRUARY 25, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Marty Hartke. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Edwards, Groves, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Others present were City Clerk Brenda Evans, City Treasurer Diana Foor, Superintendent Shawn Durbin, Engineer Lee Beckman, Brad Foor, and Elmer Lawyer from Dave & Harry's Locksmith.

**MINUTES**

After reviewing the regular session minutes, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the regular session minutes from February 11, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Groves, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR KEPP**

ORDINANCE #932-02-19 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #927-11-18, An Ordinance Amending Article III of Chapter 22 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Neoga, Illinois, and Regulating Solicitors, Transient Merchants, and Itinerant Vendors

City Clerk Evans explained that this ordinance is adding the hours in which solicitors, transient merchants, and itinerant vendors are allowed to go door to door. After little discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to accept the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

FARM GROUND BIDS

Mayor Pro-tem Hartke read the two bids for the cash rent farm ground. Bids were as follows:

Chad Walk.....\$210 / acre  
Scott & Leslie Partlow.....\$262 / acre

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to award the bid to Scott and Leslie Partlow for \$262 per acre for the next 2 years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Groves, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

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### **FINANCE, COMMISSIONER HARTKE**

#### MONTHLY BILLS

After reviewing the bill list, Commissioner Groves made a motion to pay the monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$115,974.67 . The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

### **PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER GROVES**

#### PURCHASE OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT BLOWER

Superintendent Durbin told the council that they have lost the motor on the main blower at the wastewater treatment plant. Durbin has been working with two engineers to get quotes on a new blower; however, the quote from Vandevanter Engineering came in at \$11,862.14 which is a new blower exactly like the old one. Engineer Beckman said that he would do everything he can to make sure the new blower would work in the new wastewater treatment plant as well. Beckman recommended that Superintendent Durbin contact IEPA about the blower going down and to find some where to rent an air compressor until the new one comes in. After little discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to purchase the blower from Vandevanter Engineering at a cost of \$11,862.14. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

#### PROJECT UPDATE:

Sewer Plant: Everything is the same as last month; however, IEPA contacted Milano & Grunloh and said they are now reviewing the project. Beckman said that if the project is approved, construction will begin in 2020.

Safe Route to School: Beckman said the project has not moved, but if the city is still interested in the Safe Route to School grant, the ITEP grant would have to be approved as well.

Brighton Cabinets: IDOT has contacted Beckman and said that they will be doing the PS1 in the coming weeks, and hopeful it will be done before March 1<sup>st</sup>. Beckman will check back with us.

CDAP Water Grant: Beckman handed out a map of the proposed area where the income surveys will have to be conducted. Once those are returned, the final grant paperwork can be decided on.

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State Grant: nothing new to report

ITEP: Beckman reminded the Council that they were awarded a \$26,400 grant to have the PE 1 done. Beckman also stated that if the Council decided to not take this grant, the Safe Routes to School Grant would also be dropped because they work together.

RLF Project: Beckman stated that the grant was sent in, and they are now waiting on the NOSA.

**PURCHASE OF CARD READERS FOR NEOGA COMMUNITY CENTER**

City Clerk Evans gave the council a spreadsheet for the card reader system from Dave & Harry Locksmith and Barlow Locksmith. After reviewing all the quotes, Commissioner Groves made a motion to purchase the card reader system from Dave & Harry Locksmith in the amount of \$17,260.50. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**PURCHASE OF SECURITY SYSTEM AND FIRE ALARM**

The Council reviewed the quotes for security cameras and fire alarm system. After a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Groves made a motion to purchase a camera system from Dave & Harry's Locksmith for an 8 channel system with 8 cameras in the amount of \$3,149.99, and to leave the fire alarm system with FE Moran for \$55 per month. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

**STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS**

Commissioner Edwards stated that the ITEP Grant and Brighton Cabinetry Drainage was addressed earlier by Engineer Beckman. No other reports were given.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER LINDLEY**

No report was given.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one had any public comments

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Groves made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Edwards, and Mayor Pro-tem Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

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Brenda Evans, City Clerk

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Date