



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF NEOGA  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL  
NOVEMBER 9, 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, Edwards, Helm, and Mayor Hartke. Commissioner Hakman was absent. Others present were City Clerk Brenda Evans, City Treasurer Diana Foor, Police Chief Andy Schabbing, Building Inspector Jeff Morrison, and Neoga News Editor Billie Chambers.

**MINUTES**

After reviewing the regular and executive session minutes from October 26, 2020, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioners Edwards, Helm, Groves, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

After reviewing the public hearing minutes from the ITEP Project dated October 26, 2020, Commissioner Edwards made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Groves. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Helm, Groves, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR HARTKE**

ORDINANCE #989-11-20 An Ordinance Authorizing the Lease of Real Estate (Community Center)

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

**FINANCE, COMMISSIONER GROVES**

TREASURER'S REPORT

After no discussion, Mayor Hartke ordered that the treasurer's report be filed in the City Clerk records.

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**ORDINANCE #988-11-20** An Ordinance Levying the Taxes for the Corporate Purposes of the City of Neoga, Cumberland County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2020 and Ending April 30, 2021

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

## **PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER HAKMAN**

**ORDINANCE #990-11-20** An Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Easement for Utility Purposes (Miltenberger Easement)

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

**ORDINANCE #991-11-20** An Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Easement for Utility Purposes (Hartke Easement)

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

## **CHANGE REQUEST #4 FOR RT#45 DRAINAGE PROJECT**

The Council reviewed the change request. After a lengthy discussion about the invoice, the consensus of the Council was to make sure the city did not pay any additional dollars over the bid price. This will be discussed again at the next council meeting when Engineer Beckman is present.

## **PAY REQUEST #2 FOR RT #45 DRAINAGE PROJECT**

The Council reviewed the change request. After a lengthy discussion, the consensus of the council was to not pay any request until all work is satisfactory with all parties. This will be discussed again at the next council meeting.

## **STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS**

Commissioner Edwards told the council that he has reviewed the new tin horn located on Jennings Avenue, and he thought the public works department did a nice job on it.

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

Commissioner Helm said that he agreed with Commissioner Edwards about the tin horn on Jennings Avenue and that he did not feel the bridge would need any guardrails for safety purposes. Commissioner Helm said that he is also looking at properties around town that need repairs or demolished but would get with the City Clerk later to discuss.

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None were given.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Groves made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Groves, Edwards, Helm, and Mayor Hartke. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0.

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Brenda Evans, City Clerk

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Date