



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF NEOGA
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
533 CHESTNUT AVENUE, NEOGA, IL
FEBRUARY 24, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Helm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were Commissioners Schabbing, Edwards, and Mayor Helm. Others present were City Clerk Brenda Evans, City Treasurer Diana Foor, Superintendent Shawn Durbin, Engineer Lee Beckman, and Toledo Democrat Editor Billie Chambers.

MINUTES

After reviewing the regular and executive session minutes from February 10, 2025, Commissioner Schabbing made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Schabbing, Edwards, and Mayor Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS, MAYOR HELM

No report was given.

FINANCE, COMMISSIONER SCHABHING

MONTHLY BILLS

After reviewing the bill list, Commissioner Schabbing made a motion to pay the monthly bills as presented in the amount of \$108,735.61. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Ayes, Commissioner Schabbing, Edwards, and Mayor Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

PUBLIC PROPERTY, COMMISSIONER LETIZIA

UPDATES FROM MILANO & GRUNLOH

Engineer Lee Beckman handed out the project update sheet to the Council and explained the following:

- SWTP – No updates.
- CDAP – With the weather changing, Beckman believes that Kieffer Bros. Construction should start in the next few weeks.
- ITEP – Construction crews will be returning once the weather breaks to finish the clean-up and grass seeding.

- Lead Service Line Inventory – Wiggs Excavating will be starting soon. When they do, they will need to have a city employee assist them with addresses.
- Rebuild IL/RISE Grant – Announcements for the grant were released, but the city did not receive the grant.
- Community Facilities Grant – the application for the vac truck has been completed and will be submitted soon. If awarded, the city will receive \$30,000 for a vac truck or trailer.

MILANO & GRUNLOH INVOICE #31152

The Council reviewed the invoice, and Commissioner Edwards made the motion to pay the invoice as presented. Commissioner Schabbing seconded the motion. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Schabbing, and Mayor Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.

PURCHASE OF NEW WATER METERS

The council reviewed quotes from Core-Main for new water meters and software. The quote was for 350 IPERL meters, 100 remote shut-off meters, and installation for \$298,200. Treasurer Foor asked what the hosting fees would be after the 5-year quote, so the Council tabled the purchase until further information was received.

STREETS AND ALLEYS, COMMISSIONER EDWARDS

WALNUT AND 6TH STREET INTERSECTION

Commissioner Edwards asked Engineer Beckman if he would recommend any solutions to a potential problem with parking at the corner of 6th Street and Walnut Avenue. Edwards explained that the new bowling alley will be opening soon, and with all the vehicles parking along 6th Street, it could be a dangerous intersection. Beckman said he would review the area and get back to them.

HEALTH AND SAFETY, COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS

No report was given

Superintendent Durbin told the council that the public works department was able to get some cold mix to fill potholes around town, especially on Walnut Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schabbing. Ayes, Commissioner Edwards, Schabbing, and Mayor Helm. Nays, none. Motion carried. 3-0.