

City of Neoga

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEOGA, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS MUNICIPAL BUILDING 533 CHESTNUT MAY 7, 2001, 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mercer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were: Commissioners Warner, Varner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer.

MINUTES

Commissioner Modglin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Varner, to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 23, 2001. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Modglin, Warner, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

Commissioner Varner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin, to approve the executive minutes of the April 23, 2001 meeting. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Warner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Warner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin to move into executive session at 7:05 p.m., for the purpose of Section 2 (c)(1 1) Probable Litigation. Yeas, Commissioners Warner, Modglin, Varner, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

RECONVENED AND ROLL CALL

This meeting reconvened on motion by Commissioner Varner, seconded by Commissioner Warner. Those present for roll call were: Commissioners Varner, Warner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-05-01

AREOLUTION TO REAFFIRM, RATIFY AND CONFIRM AN AGREEMENT WITH WALK STOCK FARMS, INC.

Commissioner Warner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin, to approve Resolution No.07-05-01. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Warner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Motion carried. 4-0

RESOLUTION NO. 07-05-02

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF A WATERWORKS SYSTEM BEYOND CITY LIMITS.

Commissioner Warner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin, to approve Resolution No.07-05-02. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Warner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Motion carried. 4-0

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

INFORMATIONAL MATTERS

Mayor Mercer reported that the letter from the Illinois Commerce Commission was for informational purposes only. Additionally, if any Council Members wished to attend the Central Illinois Municipal Official dinner meeting they should notify the City Clerk who will make arrangements for them to attend.

PAYMENT FOR WATER PIPE

Motion: Commissioner Warner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin, to approve payment for the 8" water pipe to be used in the construction of the waterline going south on Rt. 45, in the estimated amount of \$44,000. Yeas, Commissioners Warner, Varner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

FINANCE

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Commissioner Modglin reported that he has spoken to the city's insurance agent Dan Ingle about the possibility of getting a more favorable rate for the employee health insurance premium if the city commits to more than one year at that same rate. Also, Ingle is looking at other insurance companies for quotes.

PUBLIC PROPERTY

CEMETERY MOWING BIDS

Commissioner Varner opened the mowing bids and they were as follows:

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| 1. Do Right Contracting | \$752 per mowing |
| 2. Ervin Ballinger | \$550 per mowing |
| 3. White's Lawn Service | \$475 per mowing |
| 4. Nick & Tom Strohl | \$700 per mowing |

RESOLUTION NO. 08-05-01

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR CEMETERY MOWING SERVICES WITH WHITE'S LAWN SERVICE.

Commissioner Varner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Warner, to approve Resolution No.08-05-01. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Warner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

ORDINANCE NO. 707-05-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 82-56, SECURITY DEPOSIT FOR NON OWNERS, 82-57, USER ON FEE AND 82-59 OF DIVISION 2 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 82, UTILITIES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCREASE WATER RATES.

Commissioner Varner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin to approve Ordinance No. 707-05-01. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Warner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

STREET'S AND ALLEY'S

RESOLUTION NO. 09-05-01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT TO BURN BRUSH AND TREE LIMBS ON THE NORMAN ROMACK PROPERTY.

Commissioner Warner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin to approve Resolution No.09-05-01. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Modglin Warner, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

Commissioner Altman arrived at this time.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

REOUEST TO GET PROPERTY MOWED AND CLEANED UP

Tim Mueller was present to request the Council's help in getting the property behind his residence cleaned up and mowed. Mr. Mueller stated that there was an open well, open coal storage pits, and other objects that were creating a safety hazard on this property. Additionally, he said raccoon, snakes, and various other animals were a problem. Council instructed the City Attorney to send a Notice to Abate Nuisance to the owner of said property.

OPEN MEETINGS ACT

The City Clerk briefly reviewed the Open Meeting Act with the City Council and

handed out information on the Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act. Additionally, Council will review a video on these two acts in the near future.

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Varner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Altman, to move into executive session at 8:50 p.m., for the purpose of Section 2 (c)(1) Personnel. Yeas, Commissioners Altman, Modglin, Warner, Varner, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0

RECONVENED AND ROLL CALL

This meeting reconvened on motion by Commissioner Warner, seconded by Commissioner Modglin. Those present for roll call were: Commissioners Varner, Altman, Modglin, Warner, and Mayor Mercer.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Varner made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin, to adjourn the regular City Council Meeting of May 7, 2001, at 10:03 p.m., to reconvene on Tuesday May 15, 2001, at 8:00 p.m. Yeas, Commissioners Modglin, Warner, Varner, Altman, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 5-0

** The "Official Minutes" are on public record at the City of Neoga Municipal Building - 533 Chestnut - Neoga, IL. I, Bill Dugan, have scanned and formatted the minutes as presented to me and ask forgiveness for any honest errors or typos that I may have made in the preparation.