



**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF NEOGA, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MUNICIPAL BUILDING 533 CHESTNUT
MARCH 4, 2002, 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mercer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were; Commissioners Modglin, Altman, and Mayor Mercer. Commissioner Warner arrived at 7:10 p.m. Commissioner Varner was absent.

MINUTES

Commissioner Modglin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Warner, to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 18, 2001. Yeas, Commissioners Modglin, Warner, and Mayor Mercer. Commissioner Altman abstained. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

POST PROM/GRADUATION

Council reviewed a request from the Post Prom/Graduation Committee for a donation of \$200. Commissioner Modglin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Altman, to donate \$200 to Post Prom/Graduation. Yeas, Commissioners Modglin, Altman, Warner, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

FINANCE

INVOICE FROM DAILY & ASSOCIATES

After review of an Invoice from Daily & Associates in the amount of \$2206.03 for engineering fees for the Cedar Street pumping station, Commissioner Modglin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Altman to approve payment. Yeas, Commissioners Altman, Modglin, Warner, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

PUBLIC PROPERTY

REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT DOUGLAS

Superintendent Douglas told the Council that Daily & Associates is looking at various solutions for repair and or replacement of pump #3 at the sewer plant. He noted it could be two weeks before all information is gathered for a recommendation.

Also, Douglas ordered the tin horn for 10th street. City employees will be installing it during the next two weeks or so.

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NEOGA CURL COMMITTEE

Tom Strohl was present representing the Neoga CURL Committee. Strohl asked the City Council to draft a letter similar to the sample letter written by the Clark Count Board, to the Illinois Department of Agriculture about the proposed hog facility. Additionally, Strohl asked the City Council to request that the Cumberland County Board of Health, and the Cumberland County Board also write to the Department of Agriculture. Strohl said the CURL Committee is trying to get a letter writing campaign started, and he requested that the City write as soon as possible.

Council explained that no action could be taken at this point in time because CURL was not on the Agenda. Noting that new case law states that we can consider new business which is not on the agenda but cannot take action. Also, it was noted that the Clerk is writing letters already. Mayor Mercer is to call legislators. Strohl asked that the Council include the proximity of the hog facility to the Nursing Home and School.

The City Clerk is to post a special meeting for Thursday March 7, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. to hear and take possible action on a request from the Neoga CURL Committee, Re: Hog Facility.

STREET'S AND ALLEY'S

INDUSTRIAL PARK STREET

After discussion it was the consensus of the Council for Commissioner Warner to call Daily & Associates Engineers, Inc. to request they add an addendum to the bid packet for the Industrial Park to bid concrete as an alternate for pavement design. Warner stated he will call the Engineers tomorrow.

WATER DRAINAGE PROBLEM IN ALLEY BEHIND PROFESSIONAL BUILDING

Joyce Baker was present to ask for an update on the progress over the water problem in the ditch north of her property. Commissioner Warner told her she should contact her neighbors Jeff and Sarah Stepp about the situation and the extenuating circumstances surrounding this problem.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Modglin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Altman, to adjourn the regular meeting of March 4, 2001, at 7:30 p.m. Yeas, Commissioners Warner, Modglin, Altman, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

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Approved by City Council

Gary A. Mercer, Mayor

Patricia D. Ehrhart, MMC, City Clerk