



**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEOGA HELD IN  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS MUNICIPAL BUILDING 533 CHESTNUT  
JANUARY 6, 2003, 7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Gary A. Mercer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those present were: Commissioners Varner, Altman, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer.

**MINUTES**

Commissioner Modglin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Altman, to approve the regular meeting minutes and the executive meeting minutes of December 16, 2002. Yeas, Commissioners Altman, Varner, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

**YEARLY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**

Commissioner Altman made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Modglin to approve the yearly council meeting schedule as presented. The schedule will be posted in the Municipal Building and published in the Neoga News. Yeas, Commissioners Varner, Altman, Modglin, and Mayor Mercer. Nays, none. Motion carried. 4-0

**PUBLIC PROPERTY**

**REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT DOUGLAS AND STAN HAGERSTROM**

Council asked Stan Hagerstrom how things were going with his orientation for his new position. Hagerstrom said he was still getting acquainted with the sewer plant. He said the city has a fairly elaborate sewer plant, noting that he was very comfortable with the water plant. Douglas and Hagerstrom said that the construction of the sewer line on North Rt. 45 is proceeding well. The panel and pumps for the pumping station should be in around the 4<sup>th</sup> of February.

Commissioner Varner and Modglin toured all of the city buildings last week. Both Modglin and Varner said that the old storage building between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> street needs to be torn down. Discussion was held on the possibility of pouring more concrete in the maintenance building on 12<sup>th</sup> & Lake Street. Council discussed with Douglas and Hagerstrom re-arranging the existing maintenance building, pouring more concrete, getting rid of unused equipment, etc. before considering building another building. Hagerstrom said he does not feel they can squeeze all equipment into the existing building. He felt some equipment that needs to be inside would have to be left outside. Hagerstrom suggested the possibility of putting a lean-to on the back of the maintenance building if need be. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with putting more concrete in the Maintenance shed and to begin re-organizing the building for better storage

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of equipment. Chemicals for the water plant will be stored in the plant. Additionally, Douglas and Hagerstrom are to proceed with re-rocking the driveways at the maintenance building. Hagerstrom and Douglas will prepare a list of items to advertise for sale.

**PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY**

DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE

Discussion was held on the large amount of complaints received about dogs being allowed to run without restraint at the residence located at 812 Grove. Several complaints have been received from citizens who are concerned over the aggressive behavior of the animals. The Animal Control Warden will be instructed to take steps to rectify the situation.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Modglin made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Varner, to adjourn the regular meeting of January 6, 2003, at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried via voice vote.

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Gary A. Mercer, Mayor

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Patricia D. Ehrhart, MMC, City Clerk