

**CITY OF NICKERSON
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, January 6, 2014

MAYOR: Jim Gladden

COUNCIL: Brad Berridge – President, Linda Fleming, Jim Koon, Mike McLemore,
Brian Rife, Jon Rohling

EMPLOYEES

PRESENT: Mark Gomes, Robin Schmitt

GUESTS:

ATTORNEY: Stan Juhnke

ROLL CALL: Berridge, Rohling, Koon, Fleming,

ABSENT: Rife, McLemore

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 6, 2014 at Nickerson City Hall.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, AGENDA, & PAYABLES – each item limit to 15 minutes

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Koon to approve the December 16, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Koon, Fleming, Berridge **NO:** None

City Clerk Schmitt asked if the Council would table the water rate review because the person who was supposed to present the review was not at the meeting. Council Member Koon suggested tabling the Executive Session and the Mayor asked the Council to think about the precedent that would be set by tabling issues that need to be addressed when a quorum is already in attendance.

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Koon to approve the Agenda with item #1 under New Business tabled until the presenter could attend. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Fleming, Koon, Rohling, **NO:** None

City Clerk Schmitt explained that there were payables for 2013 and 2014. Council Member Fleming confirmed the payables for the water meters were split between 2013 and 2014.

Motion to approve the January 6, 2014 payables was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Rohling, Berridge, Fleming, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

CITY ATTORNEY Stan Juhnke

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2014-01 – Resolution to Waive the Statutory Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) Requirement

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Koon to adopt Resolution 2014-01. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Fleming, Berridge, Rohling, **NO:** None

Money Transfer – City Clerk Schmitt notified the Council that she transferred \$100,000 from the savings account to the checking account in order to cover the \$143,000 bond payment which would be debited from the checking account on January 6th. This debit would be done before the tax distribution would be received on January 20th; therefore, a transfer was needed to avoid putting the checking account in the negative. Council was in agreement.

Executive Session, Personnel, 10 Minutes – Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to go into executive session for personnel for 10 minutes. Motion carried by show of hands.

Council went into executive session at 7:10 p.m.

Mayor Gladden called the meeting back to order at 7:20 p.m.

Executive Session, Personnel, 5 Minutes – Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to go into executive session for personnel for 5 minutes. Motion carried by show of hands.

Council went into executive session at 7:22 p.m.

Mayor Gladden called the meeting back to order at 7:27 p.m.

Executive Session, Personnel, 10 Minutes – Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to go into executive session for personnel for 10 minutes. Motion carried by show of hands.

Council went into executive session at 7:29 p.m.

Mayor Gladden called the meeting back to order at 7:39 p.m. and stated no decisions had been made in the executive session.

Mayor Gladden asked the Council what they wanted to do with the wage increase proposal.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Koon and Council Member Berridge to accept the wage increase proposal as presented with changes to Gomes' wage of 1.5% COLA plus \$2.00 and Hartman's wage of 1.5% COLA plus \$1.25.

Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Berridge, Gladden **NO:** Fleming, Rohling,

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Council Member Rohling thanked Mark and his crew for all the work they did before and after the snow storm, even on Sunday.

Council Member Berridge asked for the accountant's contract and payables information. Clerk Schmitt said she had put it in the previous meeting's packet and would reprint one for Berridge since she must have missed putting one in his packet.

Berridge also thanked the City crew for their work in the snow.

Council Member Koon stated he had received a couple of calls from people who said their street was not cleared of snow but did not know what street it was. Mark requested that Koon find out which street or streets it was and let him know and he will make sure they are cleared next time.

Council Member Fleming thanked the City crew for all the help they have given to people during the storms. Fleming asked if the broom for the mower had come in yet. Clerk Schmitt reported that it was still on backorder and Superintendent Gomes confirmed that as well.

City Clerk Schmitt asked the Council to turn in any information they have for Jessica Morton who had addressed the Council in December about South Central Kansas Prosperity.

Council Member Koon asked if the City crew could clear a snow drift at the end of his drive.

Mayor Gladden commented that Casey and Terri were already working on blading the snow before Mark called them.

Mayor Gladden also thanked Casey for his maintenance report.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, motion made and seconded by Council Member Fleming and Council Member Berridge to adjourn at 8:00p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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