

**CITY OF NICKERSON
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, January 18, 2016

MAYOR: Jim Gladden

COUNCIL: Jon Rohling – President, Brad Berridge, Trent Gilbert, Angela Richard,
Jane Jenkins, Angela Cottrell

ATTORNEY: Stan Juhnke

ROLL CALL: Berridge, Rohling, Gilbert, Jenkins, Cottrell

ABSENT:

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 18, 2016 at Nickerson City Hall.

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

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Jenkins and Council Member Rohling to approve the December 21, 2015 Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Cottrell, Rohling, Gilbert, Jenkins, Berridge, **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Gilbert to approve the December 21, 2015 Grant Evaluation Hearing Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Jenkins, Gilbert, Rohling, Cottrell, **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Cottrell to approve the Agenda as written. Motion carried by the following vote:
YES: Gilbert, Rohling, Cottrell, Berridge, Jenkins, **NO:** None

Council Member Cottrell confirmed that two checks for the community center housekeeping were cut due to the housekeeper resigning.

Council Member Rohling confirmed that the payable to Ark Vet was for the Trap-Neuter-Release program.

Motion to approve the January 18, 2016 Payables was made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Cottrell. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Gilbert, Jenkins, Berridge, Cottrell, Rohling **NO:** None

ABSTAIN:

CITY ATTORNEY

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

OLD BUSINESS

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Ward 3 Open Council Seat – Angela Richard presented a letter of interest for the open council seat in ward 3 and introduced herself at the December 21st Council meeting. Clerk Schmitt informed the Council that Angela filled out the paperwork and met the qualifications for appointment to the Nickerson Council.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Berridge to appoint Angela Richard to the open Ward 3 Council seat.

Motion carried by the following vote: YES: Jenkins, Berridge, Cottrell, Rohling, Gilbert, NO: Abstain

Clerk Schmitt administered the oath of office and Angela Richard took her seat on the Council.

Walking Trail Grant – Clerk Schmitt asked for direction on whether or not to pursue a walking trail grant through the Sunflower Foundation that Amber Rohling had discussed with the Council in September of last year. The new grant information will be coming out in the following week. The grant would be a dollar to dollar match for adding to the walking trails in Nickerson with a maximum grant match of \$55,000. Currently the 1% sales tax money is reimbursing the grant fund for the Community Center, therefore, it will be September before funds would start to be available for additional projects. After the grant fund is reimbursed for the Community Center, there should be somewhere between \$43,000 and \$54,000 more coming in from the 1% sales tax before it expires in March of 2017. Council discussed checking into the cost of the trail project and agreed that some of the money should be held out to complete projects at the City Park. Since the Sunflower Foundation has worked with the Nickerson grade school on their walking trail grant, the City would have a good chance of being selected for a grant as well.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Cottrell to pursue the walking trail grant. Motion carried by the following vote: YES: Rohling, Cottrell, Berridge, Jenkins, Richard, Gilbert, NO: Abstain

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2016-01 – This resolution is to waive the Statutory Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) Requirement. The financial statements and financial reports of the City of Nickerson will be prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements as adjusted to show compliance with the cash basis and budget laws of the State of Kansas.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Jenkins to adopt Resolution 2016-01. Motion carried by the following vote: YES: Jenkins, Berridge, Cottrell, Rohling, Richard, Gilbert, NO: Abstain:

Nickerson High School After Prom Party – The City of Nickerson has donated \$100 to the NHS After Prom Party for the past few years.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Berridge to donate \$100 to the NHS After Prom Party. Motion carried by the following vote: YES: Berridge, Rohling, Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Cottrell, NO: Abstain:

Community Center Housekeeping – Clerk Schmitt reported that Brenda Spenser resigned as housekeeper. Clerk Beshears spent 4 hours cleaning the Community Center and after discussing the work it took to maintain the concrete floor in the Community Center with Clerk Schmitt, it was decided to ask the Council to

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Sheryl Bass offered to take over the position as housekeeper for the Community Center. Sheryl has extensive experience in housekeeping services.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Berridge to increase the housekeeping pay to \$75 per session and to retain Sheryl Bass as housekeeper with Katie Bredfeldt as backup. Motion carried by the following vote: YES: Cottrell, Rohling, Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Berridge, NO: Abstain:

OFFICER REPORTS

Cottrell – welcomed Angela Richard to the Council. Thanked Superintendent Gomes for his assistance with a possum and armadillo situation.

Jenkins – welcomed Angela Richard to the Council.

Gilbert – also welcomed Angela Richard to the Council.

Rohling – welcomed Angela Richard to the Council as well.

Berridge – welcomed Angela Richard to the Council and thanked the employees for a good year in 2015.

Richard – thanked the Council for the warm welcome and is looking forward to being on the Council.

Clerk Schmitt – welcomed Angela Richard. Reported that the new curtains and the baby changing station have been installed in the Community Center and new trash cans for the Community Center have arrived.

Mayor Gladden – welcomed Angela Richard to the Council and thanked Superintendent Gomes and the crew for carrying over the tables and exercise equipment to the Community Center.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, motion made and seconded by Council Member Gilbert and Council Member Jenkins to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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