

**CITY OF NICKERSON  
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday, February 16, 2015**

**MAYOR:** Jim Gladden

**COUNCIL:** Brad Berridge – President, Linda Fleming, Jim Koon, Lynnette Lewis,  
Brian Rife, Jon Rohling

**EMPLOYEES**

**PRESENT:** Phyllis Richardson, Mark Gomes

**GUESTS:** Jane Jenkins, Dan Schmitt, Sid Arpin, Trent Gilbert, Travis Gilbert,  
Vera Graber, Gary Graber

**ATTORNEY:** Stan Juhnke

**ROLL CALL:** Berridge, Rohling, Rife, Fleming, Lewis

**ABSENT:** Koon

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 16, 2015 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 Fleming to approve the January 19, 2015 Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Lewis, Rohling, Rife, Fleming, Berridge, **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Fleming and Council Member Rife to approve the Agenda as written. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Fleming, Rife, Rohling, Lewis **NO:**

Council Member Lewis asked where Maxwell Automotive is located. Superintendent Gomes explained it is located out on Hunter Blvd in Rice County and is owned by Mike Maxwell, a retired mechanic who opened his own shop. Sliffer's Repair here in Nickerson was contacted first but he did not have the time to do the job of replacing the engine in the 1997 Chevy truck.

Motion to approve the February 16, 2015 Payables was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rife, Rohling, Lewis, Berridge, Fleming, **NO:** None  
**ABSTAIN:**

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Community Center Project** – Sid Arpin with BG Consultants presented the plans with eight alternates for bid letting. The alternates pertained to flooring, restroom walls to be painted or tiled, and underground or overhead electrical service. Alternate 1 is the base bid, the other eight alternates will be broken down by cost by the bidding construction companies. The invitation to bid would be published February 19<sup>th</sup> in the Sterling Bulletin. A Pre-bid meeting will held 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at City Hall. The opening of the bids will be 11:00 a.m., March 12<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. The project must be under contract by April 30<sup>th</sup> in order to meet the grant requirements. The contractors will be allowed to set their own start schedule which will dictate when the demolitions begins, keeping in mind the construction time line requirements. Sid does not anticipate the demolition starting before mid-April.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Lewis and Council Member Rife to approve the plans with the eight alternates for bid letting. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rife, Fleming, Berridge, Lewis, Rohling, **NO: Abstain:**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Library Board Appointments** – Librarian, Amy Boyea, presented 3 new library board members for appointment and approval.

Michelle Smith (4 years ending April 2018)

Karen Lovelock (4 years ending April 2019)

Charlene Childs (4 years ending April 2019)

Mayor Gladden appointed Michelle Smith, Karen Lovelock, and Charlene Childs to the Library Board.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Lewis to approve the appointments to the Library Board. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Fleming, Berridge, Lewis, Rohling, Rife, **NO: Abstain:**

**CD # 4149** – The 6 month CD # 4149 in the amount of \$60,995.81 will mature on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to allow CD # 4149 to mature. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Lewis, Berridge, Fleming, Rife, **NO:** **Abstain:**

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

Rohling – thanked the maintenance crew for snow removal.  
Thanked Clerk Schmitt for how nice the City Hall entry way looks.

Rife – reminded Clerk Schmitt to make sure the Council is notified of out of the ordinary expenditures my email since the Council is only meeting one time a month now.

Asked if the two mill transfer from the 1% Sales Tax fund to the General fund has been made. Clerk Schmitt explained that she normally makes that transfer after the annual audit is complete but will make the transfer anytime the Council requests it to be done. It was agreed the transfer will be made as soon as the audit is complete.

Berridge – received a lot of comments on the quick snow removal.  
Thanked Jon, Dan and Robin for the work on the City Hall entry way.  
Thanked everyone who helped with the Christmas lights and snowflakes.

Fleming – was also going to ask about the two mill transfer.  
Complemented the crew for the snow removal.  
Also commented on how nice the new door is at City Hall.

Lewis – asked when the pet clinic is held. Clerk Schmitt explained that it is normally held in March at the Maintenance building but the vet gave notice a week ago that he would like to hold it in Sterling. Clerk Schmitt will speak with the vet to see if he would be willing to hold it in Nickerson one more year until we can locate a vet willing to do the clinic locally. Would like a notice put out when tags are renewed reminding everyone of the animal ordinances. There are a lot of dogs barking at night.

Mayor Gladden – thanked the maintenance crew for fixing the safety tubes around the edges of the sand volleyball courts that curled up from the cold weather.

Spoke with Eddie Koon, with the Recreation Commission, about getting started on planning the ball schedule in order to avoid everyone signing up with Hutchinson instead of Nickerson.

Reported that the Chamber of Commerce had a good turnout of 8 – 12 people for their meeting. Will send Sissy a card complementing her on building up

Chamber of Commerce and let her know he thinks things are going in the right direction now.

The Zoning Committee is needing a member who lives in the 3 mile radius of Nickerson. Mayor Gladden would like for anyone interested or knows of anyone who might be interested to get in touch with him.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS**, motion made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Berridge to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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