

**CITY OF NICKERSON
15 N. NICKERSON
NICKERSON, KS 67561**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, February 18, 2013

MAYOR: Jim Gladden

COUNCIL: Brad Berridge – President, Linda Fleming, Dale Brown, Jim Koon, Skip Russell, Mike McLemore

EMPLOYEES

PRESENT: Mark Gomes, Robin Schmitt, Phyllis Richardson

GUESTS: Brian Rife, Dan Schmitt, Joyce Beam, Laura Snyder

ATTORNEY: Stan Juhnke

ROLL CALL: Berridge, Russell, Koon, Brown, Fleming, McLemore

ABSENT:

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 18, 2013 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 McLemore to approve the February 4, 2013 Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** McLemore, Russell, Koon, Brown, Fleming, Berridge, **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member Berridge to approve the Agenda as written. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Fleming, Brown, Koon, Russell, McLemore, **NO:** None

Mayor Gladden inquired as to whether or not the City had received the bill for the Tornado Siren off switch. Clerk Schmitt reported the bill had not come in yet. Motion to approve the February 18, 2013 payables was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Fleming. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Brown, Koon, Russell, McLemore, Berridge, Fleming, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

CITY ATTORNEY Stan Juhnke – Absent

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Laura Snyder with Shell Oil introduced herself to the Council and stated she will be attending the Council meetings occasionally to keep a pulse on what is going on in the community. Laura handles communications and community outreach and she is working on setting up a meeting with the school superintendent to talk about possible partnerships. She is also interested in meeting with whoever handles Klear Nearly Days so they can participate in that event as well.

OLD BUSINESS

Community Center Land Purchase Contract – City Clerk Schmitt presented the final draft of the Community Center land purchase agreement for the Council's approval and explained that once the agreement is approved she will let City Attorney, Stan Juhnke, know he can proceed with ordering the title and Clerk Schmitt will give a copy of the agreement to the Goldings along with the earnest money check for \$500. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member McLemore to approve the land purchase agreement. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Brown, Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, **NO:** None

NEW BUSINESS

CD 4149 – City Clerk Schmitt explained that the 6 month CD #4149 for \$60,571.87 was maturing and the Council needed to decide whether to cash it in or let it renew for another 6 months.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Brown to allow CD #4149 to renew. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Brown, Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, **NO:** None

EXECUTIVE SESSION (PERSONNEL) for 10 MINUTES. Motion made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member McLemore to recess into executive session for 10 minutes. Motion carried by a show of hands. 7:08 p.m.

Mayor Gladden called the meeting back to order. 7:18 p.m.

OFFICERS REPORT

Council Member Koon thanked the maintenance crew for cleaning up the property at 211 N. Cheney and Superintendent Gomes reported that they did not do the cleanup that it was the family and public that cleaned up the property.

Koon also inquired about the possible law suit pertaining to the destroyed computer hard-drives. Clerk Schmitt reported that she has information that will be presented at the next council meeting.

Koon confirmed that the sand spreader had been removed from the City truck and the truck was provided for the family to clean up the Hoschouer property next to the high school. Superintendent Gomes stated it is at the property for them to fill up and then the City crew will empty it.

Koon received a complaint from a citizen in Ward 1 and he will let Council Member Berridge know who to contact so he can address the issue.

Superintendent Gomes requested approval for the Maintenance crew to receive the required OSHA ten hour safety training which will cost about \$400 per person.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Brown and Council Member Berridge to approve the training. Motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, Koon, Brown, **NO:** None

Superintendent Gomes updated the Council on the progress with the Gregg property. The fence is tied with ropes and wired ties. Gomes spoke with Mr. Gregg and informed him that he needs to start being more productive on the correcting the ordinance violations and that the Council has been more than lenient. Mr. Gregg cited the weather and his work hours at a part-time job as the reason for not bringing the property into compliance. Gomes also reported a shed roof that is flapping in the wind. Council Member Brown stated that the Council should act to get him to come into compliance since there are hazards on the property and Mr. Gregg has not done enough to rectify the situation.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Brown and Council Member McLemore to send a letter to Mr. Gregg to have all of the violations corrected within the given time lines. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Russell, Koon, Brown, Fleming, McLemore, **NO:** None

City Clerk Schmitt reported that she was awarded the CCMFOA Spring Conference scholarship which will cover the \$250 registration fee for the conference in Wichita on March 13-15, 2013. Clerk Schmitt thanked the Council for their support of her certification training.

Mayor Gladden directed Clerk Schmitt to send a thank you note to Mrs. Eidson thanking her and her family for cleaning up the property at 211 N. Cheney where the house burned down. The Council agreed.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, motion made and seconded by Council Member Brown and Council Member Berridge to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. A Motion was carried by a show of hands.

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