

**CITY OF NICKERSON  
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday, July 21, 2014**

**MAYOR:** Jim Gladden

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

**EMPLOYEES**

**PRESENT:** Robin Schmitt, Phyllis Richardson,

**GUESTS:** Teresa Rife, Danny Schmitt

**ATTORNEY:** Stan Juhnke

**ROLL CALL:** Berridge, Koon, Rife, Fleming,

**ABSENT:** Rohling, Lewis

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 21, 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 July 7, 2014 Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Rife, Fleming, Berridge, **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Fleming and Council Member Rife to approve the July 15, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Fleming, Rife, Koon, **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Fleming to approve the Agenda with the addition of item #2 - Budget Hearing under New Business. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rife, Koon, Berridge, Fleming, **NO:**

Council Member Fleming confirmed the payable to BG Consultants was for the Community Center Project land and flood survey which includes the LOMR to FEMA. The billing came in under the amount quoted by BG Consultants.

Motion to approve the July 21, 2014 Payables was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Koon. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Rife, Fleming, Berridge, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Phyllis Richardson reported damage to the east ballpark concession stand window covering. Phyllis also informed everyone that the Boy Scouts are planning their flag retirement ceremony, which she highly recommends attending, and a box is available at the City Office for donated flags.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**EMS Equipment** – Karyl White thanked Council Members Fleming and Lewis for representing EMS at the budget discussion which occurred on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Information was presented about the equipment needs for Nickerson EMS. Karyl stated that she had put off making equipment purchases for the last few years because the City hasn't had a whole lot of extra money but the equipment now needs to be replaced. Discussion ensued. EMS needs around \$11,000 worth of equipment plus the ambulance needs to be serviced. The Council agreed to allow \$6000 for EMS equipment purchases plus the ambulance servicing in 2014 and the rest will be approved in 2015.

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Koon to approve \$6000 for EMS equipment purchases plus the cost of servicing the ambulance. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Fleming, Berridge, Koon, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:** Rife,

**2015 Budget Hearing** – Scot with Swindol, Janzen, Hawk & Loyd made the requested changes from the July 15<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting to the 2015 budget and the updated budget was provided to the Council.

Council Member Koon asked why we have money budgeted for Police when we do not have a Police Department. Clerk Schmitt explained that money must be budgeted to pay the Sheriff's Reserves for covering the ball games and events such as Klear Nearly Days.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Berridge to set the 2015 Budget Hearing for August 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 p.m. and to not require the accountant's attendance at the hearing. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Fleming, Rife, Koon, **NO:** None

## OFFICER REPORTS

Rife – reported two complaints from homeowners whose properties were sprayed around the curb sides with Round-up by the City and the spray was into the yard edge.

Berridge – received compliments, from bicyclists who came through Nickerson, about how nice the Park looks and how much they enjoyed the Water Park.

Koon – received comments from citizens that people should make sure the clippings end up in the yards and not in the streets when mowing their lawns. Inquired about the footing at the home across from the Kwik Shop and stated that the excuse that the ground is too soft for a cement truck to get in the yard is not valid because he has seen cement trucks making deliveries in Hutchinson and parking on yards. Koon thought the homeowner was given two weeks at the last Council meeting to get the footing poured and Mayor Gladden stated that the issue is money. It will cost \$400 to get the footing poured. Thanked Mark and his crew for filling in the low spots with gravel where water pools in the streets on the south side of town.

Fleming – inquired about the Chamber requesting barricades or other items from the City for Klear Nearly Days. Clerk Schmitt reported that Superintendent Gomes is planning on doing the barricades the same this year as he has always done in the past.

Clerk Schmitt reported that Utility Clerk Beshears did an awesome job of keeping the Office running while she was out with pneumonia for a week.

Mayor Gladden – asked if Stutzmans Refuse has been contacted about restrooms for Klear Nearly Days and if the Sheriff's Department has been notified. Clerk Schmitt will confirm that they have been contacted.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,** motion made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Berridge to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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