

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

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday, August 18, 2014**

**MAYOR:** Jim Gladden

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

**EMPLOYEES**

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

**GUESTS:** Danny Schmitt

**ATTORNEY:** Stan Juhnke

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

**ABSENT:**

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 18, 2014 at Nickerson City Hall.

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

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Berridge to approve the August 4, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Lewis, Rohling, Koon, Rife, Fleming, Berridge, **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to approve the August 4, 2014 Budget Hearing Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Fleming, Rife, Koon, Rohling, Lewis, **NO:** None

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

Motion to approve the August 18, 2014 Payables was made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Rohling. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Rife, Fleming, Berridge, Lewis, Rohling, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Ordinance 2014-06** – An ordinance adopting the Standard Traffic Ordinances for Kansas Cities, Edition 2014.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-06 was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Lewis. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Fleming, Berridge, Lewis, Rohling, Koon, Rife, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

**Ordinance 2014-07** – An ordinance adopting the Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities, Edition 2014.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-07 was made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Berridge. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Lewis, Berridge, Fleming, Rife, Koon, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

**CD# 4149** – CD# 4149 in the amount of \$60889.55 will mature as of August 21, 2014 unless the Council chooses to cash in the CD.

Motion to allow CD# 4149 to mature was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Fleming, Berridge, Lewis, Rohling, Koon, Rife, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

**Trap-Neuter-Release Program** – Clerk Schmitt presented information on a Trap-Neuter-Release Program sponsored by Ark Vet in Sterling. This program will focus on the feral cats in Nickerson that are breeding and exhibiting nuisance behaviors. Discussion ensued.

Motion to participate in the Trap-Neuter-Release program, with an evaluation of results in one year, was made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Lewis. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Rohling, Koon, Rife, Fleming, Lewis, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

Berridge – Thanked the crew for painting the stripes on Main Street. The walking trail which Amber Rohling promoted has been another good thing for Nickerson. The Cemetery looks nice. Received good comments on the Water Park. Has

received numerous good comments on the City Newsletter which June Gladden is putting out and everyone wants it to continue.

Rife – Lakeside Boating and Camping members have commented on how they appreciate the businesses in town that provide for their needs. Wants to encourage the Council to continue supporting the businesses in town. A veteran has a concern about the flags not being lit at night at the mud volleyball pits. Superintendent Gomes will have them taken down.

Rohling – A fundraiser at the Nickerson Elementary School open house will be held on Thursday, August 21<sup>st</sup> from 7 – 8pm for HEAL (Healthy Eating, Active Living). Thanked the City crew for a good job on mowing. Asked Superintendent Gomes about potholes on Avenue F. Gomes will follow-up in his report.

Lewis – Followed up on the walking path comments and thinks it's awesome.

Fleming – Complemented the City crew on how nice the gutters look since they purchased the new street sweeper attachment. Received complaints that the new utility bill is hard to read, they need to be darker. Ditto on the comments from the others.

Koon – Asked if the 9 cars at a residence on West C could be moved according to the City Code. Thanked the City for replacing the street sign at West Avenue I.

Superintendent Gomes – Reported that a test product which is a biodegradable byproduct from molasses was put down on Avenue I, a dirt road across from the high school, and it was very successful in hardening the road like pavement and keeping the dust down. Gomes would like to continue with doing more dirt roads. Council agreed to go on to more roads and had previously approved purchasing the product if the test worked.

The City crew is replacing a 500 foot water line on Avenue E.

Mayor – Directed Clerk Schmitt to check on the vehicle issue on Avenue C.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS**, motion made and seconded by Council Member Rife and Council Member Berridge to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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