

**CITY OF NICKERSON
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, September 2, 2014

MAYOR: Jim Gladden

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

EMPLOYEES

PRESENT: Robin Schmitt, Mark Gomes

GUESTS: Danny Schmitt

ATTORNEY: Stan Juhnke

ROLL CALL: Berridge, Rohling, Koon, Fleming,

ABSENT: Rife, Lewis

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 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 Fleming to approve the August 18, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Koon, Fleming, Berridge, **NO:** None

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

Council Member Koon confirmed the payable to USA Bluebook for \$1071.14 was for road striping paint.

Motion to approve the September 2, 2014 Payables was made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Berridge. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Rohling, Berridge, Fleming, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

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PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

LKM Voting Delegates – Motion to elect City Clerk Schmitt as voting delegate and Superintendent Gomes as alternate voting delegate to represent the City of Nickerson in the conduct and management of the affairs of the League was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Fleming, Berridge, Rohling, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

City Hall Repairs – Superintendent Gomes asked for and received a proposal from Huffman's General Renovations to repair the damaged ceiling in the City Hall bathroom, remove ceiling tiles and sheetrock the adjoining foyer to match bathroom ceiling and to re-plumb condensate drain line from the air-conditioner for a total of \$1187.00

Motion to accept the proposal from Huffman's General Renovation in the amount of \$1187.00 was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Fleming, Berridge, Rohling, Koon, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

IIMC Certification Institute – Clerk Schmitt requested approval to attend year four of the IIMC Certification Institute at a cost of \$624. Clerk Schmitt will graduate and then apply for her Certified Municipal Clerk certification once she meets all the requirements.

Motion to allow Clerk Schmitt to attend the IIMC Certification Institute was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Koon. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Berridge, Fleming, Koon, **NO:** None **ABSTAIN:**

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Koon – asked if the City has been slacking off on pressuring the owner of the house next to the Kwik Shop to complete the foundation. Superintendent Gomes stated that the owner was awarded his building permit and he has up until the last day of the permit to get the foundation completed. The City can choose not to renew the building permit once it expires.

Asked about the house on Avenue C with several vehicles parked in the yard. Clerk Schmitt confirmed that a letter is going out on Wednesday to that resident. Inquired about demolishing the house on Avenue B; Clerk Schmitt and Superintendent Gomes informed the Council that there is no money in the budget for tearing down buildings. Superintendent Gomes stated that there will

need to be a program set up for obtaining and setting aside funds for taking down condemned buildings.

Rohling – complimented the City crew on keeping the park and water park neat and clean and hopes the Council will continue to make progress on adding to the water park since it is such a success.

The water park is scheduled to close next weekend unless the weather stays warm, then it may stay open longer.

Berridge – also received lots of good comments on the water park and hopes the Council will continue to add to the water park. Thanked the City crew for the upkeep in the cemetery and received compliments on how the assistant clerk in the office takes care of everything.

Superintendent Gomes – reported that the trapping for the feral cat program will start on a Monday; the cats will go to the vet on Tuesday and be returned on Thursday.

The dust control and road hardening test has been a success, so \$3000 worth of product has been purchased and will be applied to the roads as dust control on some and as road hardener on others.

Clerk Schmitt- asked the Council to consider asking the voters for a ½% sales tax once the 1% sales tax expires in 2017 to be used specifically for taking down condemned buildings, side walk repairs and other beautification and cleanup projects. Also asked the Council to try and think of other revenues that do not require adding to the tax burden that can be used for these needs as well.

Mayor Gladden – reported that Last Chance Café has closed and the owner will be using the building for another type of business. Stated that more information on the Trap-Neuter-Return program will be in the City newsletter.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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