

**CITY OF NICKERSON
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011**

MAYOR: Jim Gladden

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

EMPLOYEES

PRESENT: Robin Schmitt, Mike Kelsey

GUESTS: None

ATTORNEY: Stan Juhnke

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

ABSENT: None

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2011 at Nickerson City Hall.

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

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member Berridge to approve the August 15, 2011 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 September 6, 2011 Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Fleming, Brown, Koon, Russell, **NO:** None
ABSTAIN: McLemore

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

Council Member Fleming asked about a cemetery lot that was purchased back by the City. Motion to approve the payables was made and seconded by Council Member McLemore and Council Member Fleming. Motion carried by

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

CITY ATTORNEY Stan Juhnke – Absent

Mayor Gladden presented the information on the easement descriptions and offers that City Attorney Stan Juhnke has written up.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution 2011-4 pertaining to Retail Liquor Sales on the Special Election ballot was not approved by the Reno County Councilor. Motion was made and second to rescind Resolution 2011-4 by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Russell. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Brown, Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, **NO:** None

The Special Election will be held on November 22, 2011.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Brown to allow retail liquor sales in the city of Nickerson. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Russell, Berridge, Brown, Koon **NO:** McLemore, Fleming

Discussion about the possibility of adopting a Golf Cart Ordinance was tabled until a workshop scheduled on September 29th. Motion to table the Golf Cart Ordinance discussion was made and seconded by Council Member McLemore and Council Member Russell. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, Koon, Brown, **NO:** None

Council discussed the bids from the gun dealers for the retired police weapons and passed a motion to allow Police Chief Kelsey to sell or trade the four Smith and Wesson weapons to Heartland for \$200 or trade at his discretion. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member McLemore and Council Member Koon. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Russell, Koon, Brown, Fleming, McLemore **NO:** None

NEW BUSINESS

City Clerk Robin Schmitt presented information on the Municipal Clerks Certification Institute and requested a motion to allow Schmitt to attend the first year certification training in Wichita on November 7-11. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member McLemore and Council Member Fleming. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** McLemore, Russell, Koon, Brown, Fleming, Berridge **NO:** None

EXECUTIVE SESSION (PERSONNEL) for 15 MINUTES. Motion made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member Berridge to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes. Motion carried by a show of hands. 7:40 p.m.

Mayor Gladden called the meeting back to order. 7:55 p.m.

City Clerk Robin Schmitt requested a motion to move forward with having the Kansas League of Municipalities start the codification process of adding existing ordinances to the City Code Book. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member Brown. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Brown, Koon, Russell, McLemore, Berridge, Fleming **NO:** None

OFFICERS REPORT

Council Member McLemore reported a complaint about the recycle cans not being emptied on the previous Friday. City Clerk Robin Schmitt said she would call Stutzman Refuse and inform them of the oversight.

Council Member Koon reported complaints about houses with cars and items sitting around that need to be cleaned up. Council Member Koon asked if the City needs to hire Scott Swindoll to head up trying to get the Recreation Commission under the 309 School District. Discussion on the subject ensued. Council Member Brown said he will contact Scott Swindoll about helping the City with this issue.

Mayor Gladden presented three requests from Maintenance Supervisor Mark Gomes.

The first request was permission to list 2 lift stations and 3 trucks on Purple Wave. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member McLemore and Council Member Russell. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Brown, Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, **NO:** None

The second request was approval to purchase Bacteria Packets from Industrial Specialist for lagoon treatment estimated at \$1500.00. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member Berridge . Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Koon, Brown, Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, **NO:** None

The third request was approval to purchase lift station maintainer from ChemQuest estimated at \$3000.00. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Russell and Council Member McLemore. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Russell, McLemore, Berridge, Fleming, Brown, Koon **NO:** None

Mayor Gladden presented Maintenance Supervisor Mark Gomes report on the several complaints received about the exterior condition of various residences within the city, the replacement of a concrete driveway due to a water leak, Mr. Slifer's interest in the possible sale of the old sewer plant property, and the training in Iola Kansas that he and Robin Schmitt attended.

Council Member Berridge brought up a discussion on the bricks that were removed because of the sewer project. The Council discussed the possibility of selling them. Mayor Gladden will speak with Maintenance Supervisor Mark Gomes about the status of the bricks.

City Clerk Robin Schmitt reported on the training in Iola Kansas the she and Mark Gomes attended.

Police Chief Kelsey requested a commitment from the Council to be able to use the diversion money to purchase a new Police vehicle. Council Member Brown made a motion to allow Police Chief Kelsey to purchase a new Police vehicle using the diversion fund money. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Brown and Council Member McLemore. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Fleming, Berridge, McLemore, Russell, Koon, Brown **NO:** None

City Clerk Robin Schmitt clarified that the codification process discussed earlier in the meeting would be taking place in 2012.

Mayor Gladden asked the Council to think about how to present the Special Election to the public.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, motion made and seconded by Council Member Fleming and Council Member Berridge to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. A Motion was carried by a show of hands.

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