

**CITY OF NICKERSON
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, November 21, 2016

MAYOR: Jim Gladden

COUNCIL: Jon Rohling – President, Brad Berridge, Trent Gilbert, Angela Richard, Jane Jenkins, Angela Cottrell

ATTORNEY: Stan Juhnke

ROLL CALL: Berridge, Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Rohling, Cottrell

ABSENT: None

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2016 at Nickerson City Hall.

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

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Jenkins and Council Member Cottrell to approve the October 17, 2016 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Berridge, Cottrell **NO:** None

Motion made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Jenkins to approve the Agenda as written. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Jenkins, Richard, Gilbert, Rohling, Cottrell **NO:** None

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Richard to approve the November 21, 2016 Payables. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Cottrell, Richard, Gilbert, Rohling, Berridge, Jenkins **NO:** None

CITY ATTORNEY

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Aryn Hedrick, Chair of Planning and Zoning provided the council with a survey the Planning and Zoning Commission is planning to

approve for distribution to the public to better understand the desires of the community for the new comprehensive plan. Aryn asked for input on the survey and suggestions on how the Council would like to see them distributed. Council Members Jenkins and Cottrell suggest mailing the survey rather than going door to door to get a better response from citizens. Planning and Zoning is considering offering a raffle prize to those who turn the survey back in as an incentive to get as many back as possible. An invitation was extended to the Council to attend the regularly scheduled Planning and Zoning meeting on Monday, November 28th.

OLD BUSINESS

Golf Cart Ordinance – Council Member Rohling asked the Council to review the current ordinance and suggested changing the time allowance for the golf carts to be on the street from the current sun up to sun set policy to sun up to midnight. Other suggestions were that the section requiring blinkers on the golf carts be removed and that the yearly permit fee be changed to a one-time permit fee. Council Member Cottrell expressed concern over how the ordinance would be enforced and how would the safety issues be addressed. Clerk Beshears explained the ordinance would be enforced as all other code violations are if the City is made aware of the issues. Discussion ensued on the routes available for the golf carts to travel.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Jenkins to amend the Golf Course Ordinance to remove the blinker requirement, change the curfew time to sun up until Midnight and to make the permit fee of \$15.00 to be paid as a one-time fee. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Berridge, Cottrell, Rohling **NO:** None

NEW BUSINESS

Berridge IGA Cereal Malt Beverage License – Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Rohling to approve the cereal malt beverage license for Berridge IGA. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Cottrell, Rohling **NO:** **Abstain:** Berridge

Holiday Closing Request – The City employees request permission to close the office on Friday, November 25, 2016 following the Thanksgiving holiday. Mayor Gladden suggested making the day a paid day off rather than requiring the employees to use a vacation/personal day. Council Member Jenkins questioned if this would be every year going forward or a one-time event. Mayor Gladden suggests they discuss it if the request is made again in the future.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Berridge to close the office on Friday, November 25, 2016 as a paid holiday. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Rohling, Gilbert, Richard, Cottrell **NO:** Jenkins **Abstain:**

Winter Wonderland Street Closure Request – Amy Boyea emailed a request to close Speare Street from Avenue A to Avenue G on Saturday, December 3, 2016 for the Winter Wonderland Festival. Luminaries will be placed along the walking trail and burn barrels will be placed in the street for the Smore's marshmallow roast.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Gilbert and Council Member Richard to close Speare Street from Avenue A to Avenue G on December 3, 2016 from noon to 10:00pm or until the activities end. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Cottrell, Berridge, Jenkins, Richard, Gilbert, **NO:** **Abstain:**

Request To Close Petty Cash Fund – Clerk Schmitt requests Council approval to close the Petty Cash fund and transfer the balance of \$228.07 into the general account. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Gilbert and Council Member Berridge to close the Petty Cash fund and roll the balance over to general fund. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Rohling, Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Cottrell **NO:** **Abstain:**

Dump Truck Purchase – Superintendent Gomes request Council approval to extend an offer on a dump truck Grant township has for sale. The City owned dump truck has more miles and is older than the one being sold but could be sold on Purple Wave to recoup some of the cost of the new truck. Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Gilbert to allow Superintendent Gomes to bid on the offered truck up to but not to exceed \$9000. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Cottrell, Rohling, Gilbert, Richard, Jenkins, Berridge **NO:** **Abstain:**

Executive Session, Personnel, 5 minutes – Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Cottrell to go into executive session for personnel for 5 minutes. Motion carried by show of hands.

Council went into executive session at 7:39 p.m.

Mayor Gladden called the meeting back to order at 7:44 p.m.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Cottrell to pay Earl King 80 hours of vacation pay on the next pay period and to allow Supervisors to monitor vacation hours. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Rohling, Gilbert, Cottrell, Jenkins, **NO:** Richard **Abstain:**

OFFICER REPORTS

Jenkins – Invited everyone to attend the 3rd annual craft fair and chili feed on Saturday, November 26th from 9am to 3pm at the Community Center

Gilbert – Thanked the Maintenance Crew for all their work. Is happy the disc golf is installed at the park.

Rohling – Thanked Council Member Jenkins for her hard work on putting the craft fair together. Thanked the girls in the office and the crew for working out in the cold. Was impressed how the walking trail and disc golf turned out. Questioned if the sidewalk would be repaired in front of the seed house.

Berridge – Thanked the Maintenance crew and the office staff for all their hard work. Thanked the Chamber for putting the Snowflake festival together and Council Member Jenkins for getting the craft fair going.

Richard – Wanted to share that every time she has been at the park she has seen the walking trail being used. Thanked Kenny Burgess for all his years of service as the District 3 Fire Chief. Thanked Clerk Beshears and Superintendent Gomes for installing the sound panels at the Community Center.

Cottrell – Thanked Jacob Tuxhorn for his dedication to getting the disc golf installed. Thanked the Chamber for putting in all the hard work for getting the community events together. Gave a sincere thank you to the City, citizens and Council for all the concerns, kind words and cards while she was out ill.

Mayor – Commented on the difficult task of repairing the water leak where Earl and Tyler were in water up to their waist.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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