

**CITY OF NICKERSON
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NICKERSON, KS 67561**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, December 19, 2016

MAYOR: Jim Gladden

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

ATTORNEY: Stan Juhnke

ROLL CALL: Berridge, Richard, Rohling, Cottrell

ABSENT: Gilbert, Jenkins,

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Gladden at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 19, 2016 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 Rohling to approve the November 21, 2016 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Cottrell, Rohling, Richard, Berridge, **NO:** None

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

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Richard and Council Member Berridge to approve the December 19, 2016 Payables. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Richard, Rohling, Cottrell, **ABSTAIN:** Berridge, **NO:** None

CITY ATTORNEY

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Aryn Hedrick, chair of Planning and Zoning reported that they have completed the housing section of the zoning update and will be moving on to the transportation section at the next meeting that will be held on

Friday, December 30, 2016 at 7 pm. Aryn also stated that there has been a good response to the survey that the zoning committee put out a week earlier.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 2016-05 – An ordinance amending Chapter 14, Article 6, Section 14-601 of the City code relating to the operation of golf carts. There were two versions written for the Council to choose from. Version (a) has a restriction on the operation hours and version (b) does not have a restriction on operation hours.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Rohling to adopt version (b) of Ordinance 2016-05. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Richard, Berridge, Cottrell, Rohling **NO:** None

Mayor Gladden asked the Council to revisit the amendment in the future to address the one-time inspection requirement of Ordinance 2016-05.

NEW BUSINESS

NHS After Prom Donation – Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Richard to donate \$100 to the Nickerson High School After Prom committee. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Cottrell, Rohling, Richard, **NO: Abstain:**

Reno County Water Festival Donation – Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to donate \$100 to the Reno County Water Festival. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Rohling, Cottrell, Berridge, Richard, **NO: Abstain:**

CMB License Renewal – The Kwik Shop applied to renew their cereal malt beverage license for off premises sales.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Cottrell to approve the Kwik Shop's CMB license renewal. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Cottrell, Rohling, Richard, **NO: Abstain:**

Proclamation – Mayor Gladden issued a proclamation to recognize January 22-28, 2017 as Nickerson School Choice Week.

Vacation Policy Change – Clerk Schmitt provided a vacation policy revision for Council's consideration. This revision allows for 40 hours of vacation carry-over for the employees and specifies that the supervisors have the authority to assign time off with vacation pay to eliminate any excess of 40 hours carry-over.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Rohling and Council Member Cottrell to revise the vacation policy as presented with the addition of the anniversary date wording. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Rohling, Richard, Cottrell, **NO:** **Abstain:**

Christmas Gift Certificates – Each year the Council has provided \$40 Berridge's IGA gift certificates to the immediate staff, EMS, and Council members. After some discussion, the Council agreed a gift certificate should be provided to the City Librarian as well. Clerk Schmitt clarified that there was some confusion in the past as to whether or not to give more than one gift certificate to persons holding more than one position and that it was decided last year to give one per person no matter how many positions they hold.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Cottrell and Council Member Rohling to provide \$40 Berridge's IGA gift certificates to the immediate staff, EMS, Council members and the librarian. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Cottrell, Rohling, Richard, **NO:** **Abstain:** Berridge,

Council Member Berridge reminded the Council that a Christmas bonus had been given to the 6 main employees in lieu of a Christmas party in the past but was missed last year.

Motion was made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to give each of the 6 main employees a \$300 Christmas bonus. Motion carried by the following vote: **YES:** Berridge, Richard, Rohling, Cottrell, **NO:** **Abstain:**

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Richard – reminded everyone to turn in the planning and zoning survey before December 30th.

Berridge – thanked the City crew for the snow cleanup. Thanked the Chamber for the Christmas event and all the presents and bikes they collected for the kids and thanked the girls in the office who offered to help deliver the bicycles.

Rohling – Thanked the City crew as well for the snow cleanup. Has received complements about the girls in the city office and how nice they are to talk to. Thanked Brad and Brent for hanging up the Christmas lights. Personally thanked Mark for taking care of issues right away when he has called.

Cottrell – stated that the Christmas lights are amazing and enjoys seeing the entire city getting into the Christmas spirit. Complimented the Chamber on their craft event and chili feed, it was an awesome turnout. Thanked the Chamber members who volunteered for the gift wrapping. Thanked the City guys and said we couldn't do it without them.

Clerk Schmitt – reminded everyone that the City office will be closed on Monday, December 26th. Reported that the new brush truck has been purchased and insured and thanked the Mayor for taking three different trips to Hutch to get the title changed over. Thanked the Council for the employee bonuses.

Mayor Gladden – reported the ribbon cutting for the walking trail and disc golf course was attended by several scouts and parents.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, motion made and seconded by Council Member Berridge and Council Member Rohling to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Motion carried by show of hands.

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