

**CITY OF NIOTA  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners  
November 8, 2021**

**Date of Approval: DECEMBER 13, 2021**

**Approved by Commissioners: WATKINS and DILBECK**

**Call to Order:** A meeting of the City of Niota Board of Commissioners and Mayor was held in the Niota City Municipal Building, Niota, Tennessee, on November 8, 2021. The meeting convened at 6:00 P.M., Mayor Preece presiding, Jeannie Anderson as City Recorder.

**Members in attendance:** Commissioner's Baker, Brakebill, and Dilbeck

**Invocation:** Commissioner Todd Baker

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Brakebill

**Reading of the Regular Minutes:**

**Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 11, 2021 as read. Commissioner Brakebill seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion passed.**

**Commissioner Brakebill made a motion to approve the minutes from the Beer Board meeting held on October 11, 2021 as read. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion passed.**

**Reports from the Commissioners, Members of the Governing Body and Other Officers:**

**Depot Committee –** No report

**Reports from Members of the Governing Body:**

**Finance report:** Jeannie Anderson gave the budget report that we are at 33% of the 21-22 budget and all is going well.

**Commissioner Baker made a motion to accept the Finance reports as read, Commissioner Dilbeck seconded, all voted aye, motion passed.**

**Police report:** Mayor Preece gave the Police report stats for October: 1 arrests, 4 calls for medical, 25 traffic stops, 22 traffic citations, 81 dispatched calls.

A total of \$1683.75 was paid in citations for the month.

THSO grant was awarded.

**Fire Department report:** Chief Slack reported that they received 24 calls, 1 building, 1 brush, 4 medical assists, 8 accidents.

**Sewer Department report:** No violations this past month. Sampler was repaired. Pretreatment reports submitted. A letter was sent to the state regarding a pre-treatment coordinator stating that we did not hire one because the verbiage in the contract cannot be changed after the contract is signed. Also, we are requesting to no longer be required to have a pre-treatment coordinator based on a report from MTAS.

**Street Department report:**

Commissioner Brakebill stated that everything is going well.

**Water Department report:** Commissioner Dilbeck reported that all of the ARM's are working well and approximately 75% are installed. The water department office will be getting new Local Government software, moving out of Flexgen into Nextgen.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**City Building Inspector:** The State is giving Mr. Madden a difficult time in renewing his license and will require him to take the course and testing again. He does not feel that at this point he is willing to go through the process again.

**Antique Fair:** The City has decided not allow Shannon Brock to "rent" out the City property due to numerous issues that this could possibly present. Keith Bester said he would be willing to help the City hold an antique fair of its own.

**City Pavilion Repairs:** The pavilion by the Museum/Gift Shop will be taken down due to the extent of the needed repairs. There will be no costs to the City for the removal of the pavilion. The pavilion in the park can be repaired and bids are still being taken.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Finance Dept:** The City has joined the McMinn County Chamber of Commerce which will have many benefits for the City.

**Water Dept:** The new Local Government software that will be installed will costs a total of \$8,314.30

**Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to approve the installation of the new Local Government Nextgen software for the amount of \$8,314.30, Commissioner Baker seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

**Water Dept:** Jeanette Brown will be attending the TAUD conference Dec 1-3, 2021.

**Depot:** Termite damage was found under the Depot and treatment is needed. Volunteer Pest Control will treat the damage and due preventative maintenance for \$2,040. This will be covered under the Depot funds.

**Mayor made a motion to move forward with a termite treatment and preventative maintenance for the Depot for the amount of \$2040.00, Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

**Police Dept:** Chief Davis requests a \$.50/per hr pay raise for Samantha Hall stating that she is now cross trained in all City departments. Discussion was held as to the extent of the cross training and raise. No motion was made to do so.

**Request to Speak: Paul Morrill** stated that there are things happening in the City that should be looked into regarding a certain citizen running slum housing but he would not disclose who are what was happening. He was told that the issues could and would be addressed if he or the people involved would come forward with an official complaint.

**Announcements:**

- a. Next meeting will be held on Monday, December 13, 2021
- b. Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show – Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>
- c. Christmas Boutique and Parade - Dec. 4th

**Adjournment:**

**Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Baker, all voted aye, meeting adjourned.**

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CITY RECORDER

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MAYOR