

CITY OF NIOTA

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners

November 12, 2018

Date of Approval: DECEMBER 10, 2018

Approved by Commissioners: DILBECK and REED

Call to Order: A meeting of the City of Niota Board of Commissioners and Mayor was held in the Niota Memorial Building Fellowship Hall, Niota Tennessee on November 12th, 2018. The meeting convened at 7:00 P.M., Mayor Preece presiding, Jeannie Anderson as City Recorder.

Members in attendance: Commissioner's Baker, Dilbeck, Reed and Watkins

Invocation: Todd Baker

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Preece

Reading of the Minutes:

Mayor Preece made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on Oct 8, 2018 as read. All voted aye, motion passed.

Reports from Members of the Governing Body:

Depot Committee: Mayor Preece stated that there was no report to give at this time.

Library report: Commissioner Baker stated that The Friends of the Library will be getting a table and chairs for the children and outside table for under the pavilion.

Finance report: Jeannie Anderson stated that due to the internet being down throughout the city a finance report was not available for this meeting.

Police report: Commissioner Watkins gave report to: 4 arrests, 33 traffic citations issued, 147 dispatched calls, 90 stops.

Commissioner Watkins stated that Tiffani Denton is due \$1.00 an hour raise regarding her TBIRS certification and for it to be retro paid back to when she received the certification 17 weeks ago.

Commissioner Watkins made a motion to approve Mrs. Denton's raise, seconded by Commissioner Baker. All voted aye, motion passed.

Fire Department report: Fire Chief Harrison Slack gave report to: 16 calls, 2 call for fires in October. The Fire Department is currently taking applications on Monday and Thursday nights for underprivileged children in the City to receive Christmas gifts.

Chief Harrison requested to let the Niota Volunteer Fire Department participate in other local city's Christmas parades. Commissioner Watkins made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Commissioner Reed. All voted aye, motion passed.

Sewer Department report: Mayor Preece states that there is no report at this time.

Street Department report: Commissioner Reed stated that the street's truck is currently at Jackie Jones Ford for repairs. Cost of repairs will be approximately \$1K.

Commissioner Reed made motion for the amount of \$1K to be approved, seconded by Commissioner Watkins. All voted aye, motion passed.

Water Department report: Commissioner Dilbeck stated that Ridgeview Apartments is requesting a water bill adjustment due to large leak. Adjustment will take the sewer fees off as the water did not go into the sewer. Adjusted bill will be \$1995.00 for water only.

Commissioner Dilbeck made the motion to adjust the sewer portion of the Ridgeview Apartments water bill, seconded by Commissioner Reed. All voted aye, motion passed.

Gregg Roberts needs to be brought on as a regular part time employee, instead of being considered temporary help.

Commissioner Baker made motion to hire Gregg Roberts on as a part time employee, seconded by Commissioner Reed. All voted aye, motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUS:

MTAS training: Comm Baker recommends Dwight Stapleton out of Knoxville, will come to us and do training for free. Can help us get grants and monies for the city as well. Commissioner Baker states he will follow up with him as the Mayor has made efforts to contact him with no response to set up training for Commissioners.

Police cars: Ad for bids on new cars has not had a positive response. Chief Brown provides stats and research on the Missouri Highway Patrol Fleet Vehicles that are available for half the cost of a new car. Should be under \$18k fully equipped.

Commissioner Baker made motion for the City to pursue a 2016 or newer model, low mileage, and fully equipped for under \$19K, seconded by Commissioner Reed. All voted aye, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Library MOE:

Mayor made motion to leave the amount at \$13,500 which is our normal contribution, seconded by Commissioner Reed. All voted aye, motion passed.

Resolution for water meter match:

Mayor Preece made a motion to accept Resolution No. 11122018 for the Water System Improvements Project for matched funding from the City of Niota for the ARM's (auto read meters), seconded by Commissioner Dilbeck. All voted aye, motion passed.

Concrete for the Police Department bay flooring:

Repairs for the Police Department bay floor are needed. These repairs include concrete to replace the old flooring. Three estimates were obtained with Sequatchie Concrete being the least expensive at \$1175.00.

Commissioner Reed made the motion to accept the estimate of \$ 1175.00 from Sequatchie Concrete to repair the Police bay flooring, seconded by Commissioner Baker. All voted aye, motion passed.

Radios for Police Department:

Police Chief Jeb Brown requested the purchase of 3-4 new police radios.

Commissioner Watkins made motion to purchase 3 new police radios, seconded by Commissioner Dilbeck. All voted aye, motion passed.

Load of mulch for City playground:

Commissioner Reed will be checking on if needed and how much.

Invoice from Mike Walden presented:

Commissioner Baker made motion to always accept and approve invoices from Mike Walden without bringing to the Board for vote, seconded by Commissioner Reed. All voted aye, motion passed.

Christmas Bonuses:

Commissioner Watkins made motion to give City employees Christmas “gifts” in the amounts of \$100 for full time employees, and \$50 for part time employees, seconded by Commissioner Baker. All voted aye, motion passed.

Sewer/Finance Commissioners:

Commissioner Baker makes motion to move to Sewer Department and Mayor Preece move to Finance. Seconded by Commissioner Reed. All voted aye, motion passed.

Announcements:

The City will hold its annual Christmas decoration contest. Anyone inside the City limits can participate.

Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mayor Preece. All voted aye, meeting adjourned.

Mayor

City Recorder