

**CITY OF NIOTA
MINUTES
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners
April 12, 2021**

Date of Approval: May 10, 2021

Approved by Commissioners: Mayor Preece and Watkins

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 April 12, 2021. The meeting convened at 6:00 P.M., Mayor Preece presiding, Jeannie Anderson as City Recorder.

Members in attendance: Commissioner's Brakebill, Dilbeck and Watkins

Invocation: Attorney Chuck Pope

Pledge of Allegiance: Officer Bates

Reading of the Regular Minutes:

Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on March 8, 2021 as read. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion passed.

Reports from Members of the Governing Body:

Finance report: Jeannie Anderson reported that we are staying on budget with revenues and expenditures. Continuing to work on 21-22 budget.

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

Police report: Commissioner Watkins gave the Police report stats for March: 3 arrests, 4 calls for medical, 37 traffic citations, 88 dispatched calls, 38 traffic stops.

Fire Department report: Chief Slack not present.

Sewer Department report: The CDBG is at 90% of the completion plan. There have been no overflows or violations.

Street Department report: Commissioner Brakebill reported that they are working on debris pickup and that clean up week was going to be held April 19-23. Tires will be picked up by the City, however, there will be a fee for their disposal at the landfill.

Commissioner Brakebill made a motion for the City to pick up any tires during clean up week only with the City paying the landfill fees for them. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.

Water Department report: Commissioner Dilbeck reported that we now have 1,100 ARMS working well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Second reading of Ordinance 21-23 on revision of Ordinance 13-108 to streamline the process of getting lots cleaned up in a timely manner.

Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 21-23 on revision of Ordinance 13-108 to streamline the process of getting lots cleaned up in a timely manner, Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.

Update on land development: Developer Rob Cunningham is progressing with the purchase of land on HWY 309. The subdivision will consist of approximately 162 homes and it will be annexed into the City.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Dept: The Water Dept is requesting that as of July 1, 2021, A Dumpster Policy be put into place regarding the apartments at 200 E Main Street. The City will no longer provide sanitation services to 200 E. Main St and the landlord will be solely responsible for all waste removal from the premises.

Commissioner Watkins made a motion to accept the Dumpster Policy regarding the City will no longer provide sanitation services to 200 E. Main St and the landlord will be solely responsible for all waste removal from the premises. Commissioner Brakebill seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.

Water Dept: On April 20, 2021, Niota Water Works Superintendent, Richie Layman will be due for his annual raise of \$1/per hr.

Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to give Richie Layman \$1/per hr raise for his first annual review. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.

Water Dept: Brad Anderson will be attending a Backflow/Cross Connection Training for Certification on 4/14-4/16/2021. The City will be responsible for mileage and meals during his attendance.

Water Dept: Richie Layman will be attending training for continued education purposes on 4/16/2021.

Street Dept: A letter was sent to the entire city regarding cleaning up lots. Those not complying to the letter will receive a certified letter being given a time frame in which to have the clean up done or they will be cited.

Street Dept: On April 22, 2021, Eric Brown will be due for his annual raise of \$1/per hr.

Commissioner Brakebill made a motion to give Eric Brown \$1/per hr raise for his first annual review. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.

Announcements:

- a. Next meeting will be held May 10, 2021

Adjournment:

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