

**CITY OF NIOTA  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners  
October 10, 2022**

**Date of Approval: November 14, 2022 +**

**Approved by Commissioners: Dilbeck 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 October 10, 2022. 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 present, Commissioner Baker was absent.

**Invocation:** Commissioner Dilbeck

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Attorney Chuck Pope

**Reading of the Regular Minutes:**

**Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on September 12, 2022 as read. Commissioner Watkins, seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion passed.**

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

**Depot Committee** – No report at this time.

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

**Finance report:** Jeannie Anderson gave the budget report that we are now 25% into the 2022-23 budget year and all is going well.

**Commissioner Brakebill 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:

**September:** 4 arrests, 54 traffic stops, 30 traffic citations, 5 medical calls, 97 dispatched calls.

A total of \$1495.00 was paid in citations for the month.

Chief reports that they closed out THSO Grant for the year. Chief is going to the TALEDO conf in November.

Officer Ordmandy has been recertified in methamphetamine interdiction class.

**Fire Department report:** Chief Newberry reported: 29 calls, 7 vehicle accidents, 4 med assists, 16 misc. Chief Newberry is requesting that his pay be split with Assistant Chief Slack.

**Mayor made a motion to accept Fire Chief Newberry's request to split his monthly pay with Assistant Fire Chief Slack. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

**Sewer Department report:** No violations or overflows, all is going well.

**Street Department report:**

Commissioner Brakebill reported that the tractor is being repaired. Pot holes are being repaired.

**Water Department report:** Commissioner Dilbeck reported that the roof on the small warehouse is complete. A few new ARM's were installed this past month but there has been significant delays due to not being able to get meters in stock. Additionally, fire hydrants are being repaired or replaced if needed. Replacement costs are \$5,400 per hydrant. The County will give \$6,000 toward replacement costs.

**Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to charge \$50 for a profile fee if the customer requests one, if the problem is found to be on our side then NWW will pay the fee. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading on the rezoning of the Reynolds property –**

**Mayor made a motion to have the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading on the rezoning of the Reynolds property from R-1 low density to AG on zoning map. Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to table the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading, Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

b. **Purchase of old Capital Bank building:** After doing a walk through of the bank building it was determined that it was not suitable for the City's needs and we would not be bidding on it.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Water Department:** Jen Cagle requests to attend the TAUD Conference Nov. 30- Dec. 2, 2022.

**Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to approve Jen Cagle attending the TAUD conference Nov. 30- Dec. 2, 2022, Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

- b. **Finance:** Jeannie Anderson requests to attend the TN PRIMA conference Nov. 2-4, 2022.

**Commissioner Brakebill made the motion to approve Jeannie Anderson requests to attend the TN PRIMA conference Nov. 2-4, 2022. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

- c. **Water Department:** Hiring of Linda Ward.

Linda Ward is willing to work temporarily in the water department to fill in for Jeannette Brown while on maternity leave and then to be part time after she returns.

**Mayor made the motion to approve the hiring of Linda Ward to work temporarily in the water department to fill in for Jeannette Brown while on maternity leave and then to be part time after she returns. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

- d. **Water Department:** Announcement per the water department: The water department can no longer tag delinquent bills due to customer complaints and arguments on being tagged or not. This was a courtesy but not a policy or requirement. A notice was put on the September bills.

On October 10, 2022 a Called Board Meeting was held regarding the Rezoning on N. Burn Road/ Reynolds Property from residential to agricultural. The Ordinance was tabled on its second reading until next month. Attendance list will be attached.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. Public Hearing - 5:30p.m. November 14, 2022
- b. Next Board Meeting – 6:00p.m. – November 14, 2022
- c. Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show – October 15, 2022
- d. Trunk or Treat on Main Street – October 23, 2022
- e. Don't Forget to Vote – November 8, 2022
- f. Veteran's Day Program – November 11, 2022

**Adjournment:**

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

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**CITY RECORDER**

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**MAYOR**