

MINUTES
NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL
November 19, 2024 - 7:00 PM
Neosho Council Chambers
203 E. Main St., Neosho, MO

OPENING PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Jeff Higgins opened with prayer and Mayor Davidson led the pledge of allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Davidson called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Angela Thomas was absent.

CITY OFFICERS PRESENT:

David Kennedy, City Manager; Derek Snyder, City Attorney; and Cheyenne Wright, City Clerk, minutes taken by clerk.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to Approve the Agenda; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Cobb made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda to include:

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Bill No. 2024-95

Bill No. 2024-96

Bill No. 2024-97

Bill No. 2024-99

Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

VISITOR'S BUSINESS

There was no one present for visitor's business.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATION

Certification Presentation for Cheyenne Wright

Kamy Kulow and Karen Rost presented City Clerk Wright with her MRCC Certification.

Plaque Presentation

Nancy Tomlinson was presented with a plaque in recognition of her work with Celebrate Neosho and the Neosho Fall Festival.

BIDS

Parks Picnic Tables and Benches

Parks and Recreation Director Balls addressed the city council stating that the this agenda item is to seek council approval for the purchase of picnic tables and park benches for the Scrap Recycled Tire Grant that the city of Neosho was awarded, and then receive reimbursement from DNR. The parks department submitted and was awarded a Recycled scrap tire grant for newly recycled tire picnic tables and park benches. This grant is through the Department of Natural Resources. DNR provided a list of businesses that make this product, and as long as we choose one of the recommended businesses on the list, we are not required to send out a traditional bid. Champlin Tire Recycling, INC is the only business on the list that does scrap tire recycling for picnic tables and park benches. Champlin Tire Recycling INC.

Bid/Quote

6 - Three foot Park Benches @ \$439.00 = \$2,634.00

20 - Six foot Park Benches @ \$539.00 = \$10,780.00

30 - Six foot Picnic Tables @ \$994.00 = \$29,820.00

Fright \$1,523.00

Total = \$44,757.00

The amount that the city of Neosho has been awarded is based on this quote for the Scrap Tire Recycling Grant for the picnic tables and park benches. The awarded amount is \$44,757.00. The city of Neosho purchases these items and then receives reimbursement from DNR.

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to Approve the purchase of the park picnic tables and benches ; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

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Extrication Tools Bid for the Fire Department

Fire Chief Houk addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for a new set of extrication tools. The Fire Department went out to bid for a new set of extrication tools. We are replacing the old hydraulic tools which had a power unit made up of a motor with a hydraulic pump, and hoses that attached the power to the tools so they could operate. The new upgraded tools will be battery powered, and will not require the power unit and hoses to make the tools work. These tools are safer due to not having to worry about a trip hazard from the hoses, a pin-sized hole that will release fluid at 10,00 PSI through the hole, as well as being more user-friendly, and supplying more power for cutting and prying. We sent out 3 bids and received 2 bids back. Both met the qualifications.

Jon's Mid-America \$33,140.00

Dixie Rescue Solutions \$34,115.00

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to Approve the bid from Jon's Mid-America in the amount of \$33,140.00; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Surplus Vehicle Sale

Public Works Director Siler addressed the city council stating that the this agenda item is to seek council approval for a bid to sell surplus vehicles to the highest bidder. The following City of Neosho surplus vehicles were advertised for sale by sealed bid.

We received one bid for each vehicle:

2008 Chevrolet Uplander: Cyndy Hutchings \$4,401.00

2014 Ford F150 XL: City of Seneca \$9,000.00

2012 Ford F150 XL: City of Seneca \$8,500.00

2002 Ford F150 XL: Neil Oxendine \$300.00

All bids except the 2002 Ford F150 exceeded the starting bid. The starting bid for the 2002 Ford was \$1,000.

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to Approve the sale of the four vehicles; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Clarifier Skirting

Alliance Water Resources Manager, Ken Brady, addressed the city council stating that the this agenda item is to seek council approval for the bid from D&S Erectors, LLC. I went out for bids to rebuild the second clarifier at the Shoal Creek Waste Water plant. Bids were sent to several bidders and the following were received:

D&S Erectors, LLC Bid: \$74,285.33

K&B Excavating & Construction Bid: \$82,500.00

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417 Concrete & Construction Bid: \$84,675.00

This is a budgeted item in this fiscal year in the amount of \$90,000.00

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to Approve the bid from D&S Erectors, LLC in the amount of \$74,285.33; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

City Hall Vehicle Bids

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the purchase of a new city hall vehicle. The approved the purchase of a new vehicle to replace the 2008 van used for city employee traveling. Griffith gave a quote on a 2024 Chevrolet Trailblazer LT for the sale price of \$25,400.00 and a 2025 Chevrolet Trailblazer LT for the sale price of \$27,975.00. Staff requests council's approval for the 2024 vehicle.

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to Approve the purchase of the vehicle from Griffiths for City Use; Councilwoman Robinson seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

ARPA bids (Hatchery/Lower School Branch)

City Manager Kennedy addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the recommendation of ALLGEIER, MARTIN and ASSOCIATES, INC. (AMA) for storm water projects. We reviewed the two (2) bids on November 12, 2024, for the construction of the storm water drainage ditches known as the Hatchery Branch and Lower School Branch. It is the recommendation of AMA that the City award the contract to Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc. from Carl Junction, Missouri. This recommendation is predicated upon the following:

1. Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc. is the low responsive, responsible bidder with a Base bid plus Additive in the amount of \$2,632,444.98.
2. AMA experience with projects performed by Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc. suggests that they are capable of performing the work as stated in the plans and specifications.
4. The Missouri Department of Transportation recognizes Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc., as an approved highway contractor.

The total of the Base Bid plus Additive Bid is in the amount of \$2,632,444.98. It is the recommendation of AMA to accept the Additive Bid.

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to Approve the bid from Jeff Asbell Excavating and Truck, Inc. in the amount of \$2,632,444.98; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

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Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman
No: None
Abstain: None
Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 2024-100: Updated User Agency Agreement for Inquiry Access to the Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System(MULES)

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, authorizing Agreements between the City of Neosho, Missouri, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol for the purpose of establishing standard operating procedures for transactions using the Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System ("MULES") and National Crime Information Center ("NCIC") systems; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2024-100 in title only.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to Approve and Discuss Bill No. 2024-100; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Police Chief Baird addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the new MULES agreement. This agreement removes all 'entry' abilities, and drops the department back to "Inquiry only". The new MULES agreement removes all 'entry' abilities, and drops the department back to "Inquiry only". This reduction will allow the clerks to receive training (re-certification) online and will speed up the audit process. The police department has never utilized the entry option with MULES. All entry is done at the dispatch level. This change will have no negative impacts on the police department.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman
No: None
Abstain: None
Passed.

Bill No. 2024-101: 2025 Contract with the Newton County Central Dispatch

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri, authorizing an Agreement between the City of Neosho and the County of Newton, Missouri, for the purpose of providing dispatch services; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2024-101 in title only.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to Approve and Discuss Bill No. 2024-101; Councilman Workman seconded.

Police Chief Baird addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to seek approval for the 2025 Contract with the Newton County Central Dispatch. This is an updated 2025 agreement with the Newton County Central Dispatch. The agreement covers police, fire, and public works divisions. This agreement is good until December 31, 2029.

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Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Bill No. 2024-102: Baxter Street Speed Limit

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho, Missouri, amending the posted speed limit on Baxter Street to thirty-five miles per hour (35 mph) for east and west bound traffic from the intersection of Hickory Street to the junction of Business Interstate 49 within the limits of the City of Neosho.

City Attorney Snyder read Bill No. 2024-102 in title only.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to Approve and Discuss Bill No. 2024-102; Councilman Workman seconded.

A request for an increase to the speed limit on Baxter Street was made by citizens. The Traffic Commission met on Monday, October 28, 2024, regarding the request to increase the speed limit on Baxter Street from Summit to Business 49. The request was made to increase the posted speed limit from 25 mph to 30 mph or higher. A discussion by the board was had, and they decided to propose an increase of the posted speed limit to 35 mph since there was no longer semi-traffic using Baxter Street. The board voted in favor of the change. We were asked by the council to draft an ordinance reflecting this change.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

City Audit Services Engagement Letter

Finance Director Forest addressed the city council stating that this is an engagement letter with KPM for the city's annual audit.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to Approve the engagement letter with KPM for the city's audit; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

October Financial Report

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Finance Director Forest addressed the city council stating that the purpose of this item is to update the council on the October financials.

CLOSED SESSION

Section 610.021 (1) RSMo,...Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys.

Mayor Davidson asked for a motion to go into closed under Section 610.021 (1).

Councilman Cobb made a motion to go into closed session under Section 610.021(1); Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

Mayor Davidson closed the open session at 7:28 p.m.

Mayor Davidson reconvened open session at 7:55 p.m. and announced that one vote was taken in closed.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the council, Mayor Davidson asked for a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to Adjourn; Councilman Workman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, Tom Workman

No: None

Abstain: None

Passed.

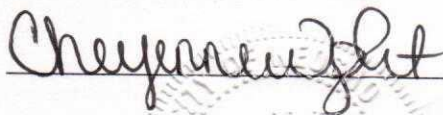
Mayor Davidson adjourned the November 19, 2024 Council Meeting at 7:56 p.m.

APPROVED

NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL

Mayor

ATTEST



City Clerk

