

Neodesha, Kansas
September 23, 2020

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the great room at City Hall practicing social distancing at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 with Mayor Johnson presiding and Commissioners Moffatt and Nichol present.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the agenda with addition of Item 4.J Land Bank: Sale of Heritage Estates Lots; Item 4.K. Waterworks Amphitheater: Consider Beer Garden; and Item 4.L Accept Resignation of Public Works Employee. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

A presentation was made by Fire Chief Duane Banzet promoting Fire Captain Ross Jamison to Assistant Fire Chief. Congratulations were given by the Governing Body and staff.

Commission and Administrator Reports were heard.

Community Development Director report was heard.

Public Comments were invited and heard.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the minutes from the September 9, 2020 Meeting; minutes from the September 15, 2020 Special Call Meeting; Appropriation (2020) 18; Raw Water Project Bond Appropriation No. 78; and Gas Line Project Appropriation No. 14. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Due to time constraints and a guest being present having a prior engagement, Business Item 4.E. KHRC Infrastructure Grant Request was moved to the first item of business.

Administrator Truelove along with Community Development Director, Jeri Hammerschmidt and April Nutt, Executive Director of the Independence, KS Housing Authority, addressed the Commission regarding the submission of a grant request to the Kansas Housing Resource Commission to help offset the cost of infrastructure for a housing project. Discussion held.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the submission of a grant request to the KHRC. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1732

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA, KANSAS, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE “STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE FOR KANSAS CITIES”, EDITION OF 2020, WITH CERTAIN OMISSIONS, CHANGES AND ADDITIONS, PROVIDING CERTAIN PENALTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1698 AND ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH. (a complete copy of this Ordinance can be viewed in the City Clerk’s office)

Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve Ordinance 1732 adopting the 2020 Standard Traffic Ordinances as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1733

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PUBLIC OFFENSES WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA, KANSAS, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE “UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE FOR KANSAS CITIES,” EDITION OF 2020, WITH CERTAIN OMISSIONS, CHANGES AND ADDITIONS, PROVIDING CERTAIN PENALTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1699 AND ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH. (a complete copy of this Ordinance can be viewed in the City Clerk’s office)

Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve Ordinance 1733 adopting the 2020 Uniform Public Offense Code as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 1734

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 16-36 OF CHAPTER 16 OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA CODE REGARDING FEES FOR UTILITIES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF NEODESHA, WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS AND REPEALING OLD SECTION 16-36 OF CHAPTER 16 OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA CODE. (a complete copy of this Ordinance can be viewed in the City Clerk’s office)

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve Ordinance 1734, modifying the City’s fee structure Ordinance. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-13

A RESOLUTION FIXING A TIME AND PLACE AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF A HEARING BEFORE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA, KANSAS AT WHICH TIME THE OWNER, HIS AGENT, LIENHOLDERS OF RECORD AND OCCUPANTS OF THE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 906 CHURCH STREET, LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS TWENTY-ONE (21) AND TWENTY-TWO (22), BLOCK SIX (6) FORD’S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NEODESHA, WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS, MAY APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY SUCH STRUCTURE SHOULD NOT BE CONDEMNED AND ORDERED REPAIRED OR DEMOLISHED AS AN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS STRUCTURE; AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 20-10. (a complete copy of this Resolution can be viewed in the City Clerk’s office)

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Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve Resolution 20-13 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove, Community Development Director, Jeri Hammerschmidt along with Mike Billings, USDA via phone conference, addressed the Governing Body regarding the submission of a grant request to USDA-RD for fire equipment. Upon this submission, Mr. Billings notified us that the City has been approved for grant funding. Discussion held.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve the acceptance of the USDA Fire Department Equipment Grant and giving the Mayor permission to sign the necessary document. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the approval of a Meter Change Out Interface Agreement with gWorks. This agreement covers the cost of setting up the files necessary to facilitate the billing process related to the AMR project. Discussion held.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the service agreement with gWorks in an amount not to exceed \$1,500, with two equal payments of \$750. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the renewal of the incubator lease with AgEagle. The lease is set to expire this month. Discussion held.

Mayor Johnson moved to approve the AgEagle Incubator Lease extension, with an expiration date of December 31, 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried with Commissioner Nichol abstaining due to a possible conflict of interest, he being an employee of AgEagle.

Commissioner Nichol moved to convene as the Neodesha Land Bank to discuss the disposition of certain trailer homes in the Northgate Mobile Home Park and the sale of property at Heritage Estates. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried. Discussion held.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve the donation of mobile home number 2 to Kaylee Tigner and mobile home number 28 to Eddie Weicht. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the sale of Heritage Estates Lots 7 through 10 and Lots 13 through 19 to First Step Builders at a sale price of \$13,000. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to adjourn as the Neodesha Land Bank Board and re-convene as the City of Neodesha Governing Body. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding a request from representatives of the Waterworks Amphitheatre to consider a beer garden at the fireworks show slated for October 10, 2020. Discussion held.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve a beer garden for the Waterworks Amphitheatre fireworks show on October 10, 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove along with Public Works Director, Brent Wheeler, addressed the Commission regarding the resignation of a Public Works Department employee. Discussion held.

Commissioner Nichol moved to accept the resignation of Bryan Howell from the Public Works Department, effective October 2, 2020. Seconded by Mayor Johnson. Motion carried with Commissioner Moffatt abstaining due to a possible conflict of interest, he being a close relative of Bryan Howell.

The next regular meeting of the Governing Body will be held in the great room at City Hall on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

At 4:05 p.m. Commissioner Moffatt moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

/s/ Devin Johnson

Devin Johnson, Mayor

/s/ Stephanie Fyfe

Stephanie Fyfe, City Clerk