

May 22, 2024

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 2:00 p.m., on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, in the Commission Room at City Hall conducting the meeting by live streaming with Zoom with Mayor Johnson presiding and Commissioners Banzet and Vail-Keller present.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Business Item 4A: KMEA: Generator Update & GRDA Contract; and Business Item 4K: Discuss Library A/C Units. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet.

Commissioner Banzet, being a member of the Southeast Kansas Firefighters Honor Guard, surprised and presented a memorial tribute and plaque to City employee Georgia Carnett, memorializing her uncle who was killed in the line of duty. Merle Wells, along with three other Wichita firefighters, were killed in the line of duty on November 21, 1968 when a bowstring trust roof collapsed on them. The memorial plaque contained a picture of Captain Wells, a picture of his memorial brick at the National Memorial, and a picture of the National Memorial site located in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Georgia was also presented with a flag that was flown over the memorial. The City of Neodesha extends a heartfelt thank you to all of our veterans, service men and women both past and present. We appreciate you all.

Civic organization reports were invited and heard.

Public comments were invited and heard.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of minutes from the May 8, 2024 meeting; Appropriation (2024) 9; and Water System Improvements Bond 8. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

The Governing Body welcomed Tom Saitta and Gerry Bieker, KMEA, for a presentation and update on the City's generator project and GRDA contract. Discussion held. No action taken.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding an Ordinance on changes proposed to the City's Building Permit Fee Structure. Discussion held.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to table this agenda item to the June 12, 2024 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a resolution calling for a public hearing on July 10, 2024, to show cause why the structure located at 1008 Tank Street should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished as an unsafe or dangerous structure. Due to publication issues, this resolution was recreated to reflect the new hearing date. Discussion held.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-10

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 1008 TANK STREET; LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 11-14, BLOCK 3, DEER & MORRIS 1ST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NEODESHA, MAY APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY SUCH STRUCTURE SHOULD NOT BE CONDEMNED AND ORDERED REPAIRED OR DEMOLISHED AS AN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS STRUCTURE.

Section One: Resolution No. 24-10 repeals Resolution No. 24-06 which amends the Public Hearing date to July 10, 2024.

WHEREAS, Brogan Jones, the Enforcement Officer of the City of Neodesha, did on the 15th day of February, 2024, file with the Governing Body of said City a statement in writing that certain unoccupied structures hereinafter described are unsafe and dangerous; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing body of the City of Neodesha that a hearing will be held on the 10th day of July, 2024, before the Governing Body of the City at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Room of City Hall, 1407 N. 8th; at which time the owner, his agent, any lien holder of record and any occupant of the structure located at **1008 Tank Street** may appear and show cause why such structure should not be condemned as an unsafe or dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall cause this Resolution to be published two consecutive times and shall give notice of the aforesaid hearing in the manner provided by law.

Commissioner Banzet moved to adopt Resolution 24-10 setting a public hearing for July 10, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a resolution calling for a public hearing on July 10, 2024, to show cause why the structure located at 1007 Seward should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished as an unsafe or dangerous structure. Due to publication issues, this resolution was recreated to reflect the new hearing date. Discussion held.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-11

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 1007 SEWARD STREET; LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 3 & 4, BLOCK 2, BLAKESLEE'S 2ND ADDITION, CITY OF NEODESHA, MAY APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY SUCH STRUCTURE SHOULD NOT BE CONDEMNED AND ORDERED REPAIRED OR DEMOLISHED AS AN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS STRUCTURE.

Section One: Resolution No. 24-11 repeals Resolution No. 24-07 which amends the Public Hearing date to July 10, 2024.

WHEREAS, Brogan Jones, the Enforcement Officer of the City of Neodesha, did on the 15th day of February, 2024, file with the

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Governing Body of said City a statement in writing that certain unoccupied structures hereinafter described are unsafe and dangerous; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing body of the City of Neodesha that a hearing will be held on the 10th day of July, 2024, before the Governing Body of the City at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Room of City Hall, 1407 N. 8th; at which time the owner, his agent, any lien holder of record and any occupant of the structure located at **1007 Seward Street** may appear and show cause why such structure should not be condemned as an unsafe or dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall cause this Resolution to be published two consecutive times and shall give notice of the aforesaid hearing in the manner provided by law.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to adopt Resolution 24-11 setting a public hearing for July 10, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a resolution calling for a public hearing on July 10, 2024, to show cause why the structure located at 1024 Seward should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished as an unsafe or dangerous structure. Due to publication issues, this resolution was recreated to reflect the new hearing date. Discussion held.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-12

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 1024 SEWARD STREET LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 31 & 32, BLOCK 1, BLAKESLEE 2ND ADDITION, CITY OF NEODESHA, MAY APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY SUCH STRUCTURE SHOULD NOT BE CONDEMNED AND ORDERED REPAIRED OR DEMOLISHED AS AN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS STRUCTURE.

Section One: Resolution No. 24-12 repeals Resolution No. 24-08 which amends the Public Hearing date to July 10, 2024.

WHEREAS, Brogan Jones, the Enforcement Officer of the City of Neodesha, did on the 15th day of February, 2024, file with the Governing Body of said City a statement in writing that certain unoccupied structures hereinafter described are unsafe and dangerous; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing body of the City of Neodesha that a hearing will be held on the 10th day of July, 2024, before the Governing Body of the City at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Room of City Hall, 1407 N. 8th; at which time the owner, his agent, any lien holder of record and any occupant of the structure located at **1024 Seward Street** may appear and show cause why such structure should not be condemned as an unsafe or dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall cause this Resolution to be published two consecutive times and shall give notice of the aforesaid hearing in the manner provided by law.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to adopt Resolution 24-12 setting a public hearing for July 10, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding bids received for the demolition of Immediate Hazard structures for the properties located at 616 Indiana Street, 1340 N 4th Street, and 1704 N 8th Street. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the demolition bid from REcrete Design for the demolition of the property located at 616 Indiana Street, at a cost not to exceed \$4,000. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to approve the demolition bid from REcrete Design for the demolition of the property located at 1340 N 4th Street, at a cost not to exceed \$3,500. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the demolition bid from REcrete Design for the demolition of the property located at 1704 N 4th Street, at a cost not to exceed \$4,800. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding proceeding with the processes for the approved demolitions. Discussion held.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to approve the Notice of Award for the demolition of the properties located at 616 Indiana Street, 1340 N 4th Street, and 1704 N 8th Street, to REcrete Design and to allow the City Administrator sign the document. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the Notice to Proceed for the demolition of the properties located at 616 Indiana Street, 1340 N 4th Street, and 1704 N 8th Street, to REcrete Design and to allow the City Administrator sign the document. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding bids received to repair and replace the damaged sidewalk and curb apron in front of the Fire/EMS Station. This agenda item was tabled from the May 8, 2024 meeting in order to obtain an in-house bid from the Public Works Department. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the bid from REcrete Design to repair and replace the damaged sidewalk and curb apron at the Fire/EMS Department in an amount not to exceed \$10,417. Seconded by Mayor Johnson with Commissioner Vail-Keller voting nay. Motion passed 2 – 1.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a request for a donation of the property located at 1731 N Skyline Drive from the Neodesha Land Bank.

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Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to convene as the Neodesha Land Bank to consider the donation of property.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the donation of the properties located at 1731 N Skyline Drive: Lot One (1) through Lot Forty (40), and Lot Sixty-nine (69), North Gate Subdivision, City of Neodesha, Wilson County, Kansas, to Griffith Development LLC, as an economic development incentive. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Commissioner Vail-Keller moved to adjourn as the Neodesha Land Bank and reconvene as the City of Neodesha Governing Body. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a resignation from the Neodesha Recreation Board. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to accept the resignation of Tommy John from the Neodesha Recreation Board effective immediately. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding a request from the Rankin Memorial Library for the purchase of a new A/C unit. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to reimburse Rankin Memorial Library in an amount not to exceed \$12,000 for the installation of a new A/C unit. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

Commission reports were heard.

City Administrator reports were heard.

Community Development Director Reports were heard.

Financial reports were distributed.

The next regular meeting of the Governing Body will be held at City Hall on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

At 4:24 p.m. Commissioner Banzet moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Vail-Keller. Motion carried.

/s/ Devin Johnson

Devin Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Stephanie Fyfe

Stephanie Fyfe, City Clerk