

CITY OF NIOTA

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners

March 11, 2019

Date of Approval: April 15, 2019

Approved by Commissioners: Watkins and Preece

Call to Order: A meeting of the City of Niota Board of Commissioners and Mayor was held in the Niota Memorial Building Fellowship Hall, Niota Tennessee on March 11, 2019. The meeting convened at 7:00 P.M., Mayor Preece presiding, Jeannie Anderson as City Recorder.

Members in attendance: Commissioner's Baker, Dilbeck, Watkins and Reed

Invocation: Todd Baker

Pledge of Allegiance: Lee Mason

Reading of the Minutes:

Commissioner Reed made a motion to accept the minutes from the regular meeting held on February 11, 2019 as read. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion passed.

Reports from Members of the Governing Body:

Depot Committee: Exterior support floor joists are almost done and the old parquet interior flooring has been sold to Glen Whiting for \$300.00

Library report: Emily Serra was unable to attend the Summer Reading Conference in Crossville on February 21, 2019. She is currently working on summer programming. The YMCA is doing a summer program that will be held at the Niota Elementary School.

Finance report: Jeannie Anderson gave the financial summary report for each department.

The Mayor made a motion to accept the finance report as read, Commissioner Dilbeck seconded, all voted aye, motion passed.

Police report: Commissioner Watkins gave report to: 67 stops, 3 arrests, 3 medical, 32 traffic citations issued, 81 dispatched calls.

Fire Department report: Fire Chief Harrison Slack gave report: 8 minor calls. Requests that the Railroad move their sign that sits on the NFD corner lot.

Sewer Department report: Small amount of overflow due to unusual heavy rains. Overall, everything has been good with the amount of rain received.

Street Department report: No report given.

Water Department report: Commissioner Dilbeck stated that the water department is doing well and praised Dean Campbell for handling extra work load during Jackie Riden's absence. Water tanks will be cleaned on March 12, 2019 costing around \$3,000. Rye Engineering is to begin work on March 13, 2019.

UNFINISHED BUS:

Condemning of city residences – Notice to DPA from Chris Ingram, final reports needed from Chris Ingram then a letter with a hearing date will be sent to property owners.

Condemning of the Niota Textile Building – Will has letter ready to send to Etowah Properties, LLC with the City's concerns and intent.

Purchase of tractor for Street Department – The request for bids will run in the DPA for 2 weeks.

Commissioner Reed makes a motion to purchase a used tractor for the Street Department. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.

Metal roof for the playground/library pavilion – Commissioner Reed is waiting on prices.

NEW BUSINESS:

Accept Police Chief Jeb Brown's resignation letter - see attached.

Commissioner Reed made the motion to accept Jeb Brown's letter of resignation. Commissioner Watkins seconded, all voted aye, motion passed.

Hiring of new Police Chief – ad will run for 2 weeks in DPA

Commissioner Watkins made a motion to run an ad for a new Police Chief for 2 weeks in the DPA, Commissioner Reed seconded the motion, all voted aye, motioned passed.

Officer Cody Neely was terminated from employment with the City of Niota effective immediately. **Commissioner Watkins made a motion to terminate Officer Cody Neely from employment with the City of Niota. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

Cold patch and gravel are needed to make street repairs and to add to the parking lots and driveways.

Commissioner Reed makes a motion to purchase cold patch for needed street repairs and for gravel to add to parking lots and driveways as needed. Commissioner Dilbeck seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.

TAUD online training for commissioners. May have all commissioners meet together to do the training.

Jeannie Anderson completed the TIBRS training and should receive the standard \$1/hr raise for certification.

Commissioner Watkins made a motion to approve a \$1/hr raise for Jeannie Anderson for becoming TIBRS certified. Commissioner Baker seconded, all voted aye, motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Board meeting will be held April 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Budget meeting will be held April 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Easter Egg Hunt set for April 20th

Clean up week set for April 22nd -27th

Train Show set for May 4th -5th

PEOPLE REQUESTING TO SPEAK

Becky Dawson made a complaint regarding a dog tearing up her garbage. Commissioner Baker will look into it and report back.

ADJOURMENT

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

Mayor

City Recorder