

**CITY OF NIOTA  
MINUTES  
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners  
Nov. 20, 2023**

**Date of Approval: Dec 11, 2023**

**Approved by Commissioners: Brakebill and Ward**

**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 Nov 20, 2023. The meeting convened at 6:00 P.M., Mayor Preece presiding, Jeannie Anderson as City Recorder.

**Members in attendance:** Commissioner's Brakebill, Dilbeck and Ward were present and Commissioner Manney.

**Invocation:** Commissioner Dilbeck

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Shane Duncan

**Reading of the Regular Minutes:**

**Commissioner Ward made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on Oct 9, 2023 as read. Commissioner Dilbeck, seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion approved.**

**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 finance report that we are 33.33% into the new fiscal year. Property taxes are coming in and most of the revenue lines are on track or exceeding the projected budget.

**Commissioner Manney made a motion to accept the Finance report as read, Commissioner Brakebill seconded, all voted aye, motion approved.**

**Police report:** Commissioner Ward gave the Police report stats for:

**October:** 0 arrests, 0 traffic stops, 0 traffic citations, 33 dispatched calls.

A total of \$1177.50 was paid in citations for the month.

**Fire Department report:** Asst. Chief Slack reported that for the month of October there were 4 medical assists, 2 building fires, 5 accidents with injuries, 1 accident without injuries, 11 misc. calls.

**Sewer Department report:** Mayor reported that there have been no violations incurred. Everything is going well and the CDBG project will be completed in time to reapply for the next year's CDBG funds.

**Street Department report:**

Commissioner Brakebill reported that the F350 is down as well as the 6x6. It was agreed upon that the city needs to begin looking into a new city street department truck.

**Water Department report:** Commissioner Dilbeck reported that all ARM's are in except the ones that need extensive repairs. The new subdivision is growing rapidly and new customers are coming in almost daily.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading for the revisions to Ordinance 23-59** Sewer access for city residents only.  
**Mayor made the motion to accept 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 23-59, Commissioner Manney seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion passed.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **New City Hall update:** The move went well, there are a few issues that are still being resolved with IT and TDS. However, overall, things went smooth and City Hall and the NWW are doing business as usual.
- b. **Police Dept. Update:** On November 10, 2023, Chief Tim Davis Jr., Court Clerk Samantha Hall and Officer Shaun Ordmandy turned in their resignations.  
**Commissioner Ward made a motion to accept their resignations, Commissioner Manney seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion approved.**
- c. **Christmas Bonus Checks:** Request for Christmas bonus checks approval for the amounts of \$200 full-time and \$100 part-time.  
**Commissioner Dilbeck made a motion to approve the Christmas bonuses in the amounts of \$200 full-time, \$100 part-time, Commissioner Brakebill seconded the motion, all voted aye, motion approved.**
- d. **Water Dept:** - Jen Cagle presented the option of outsourcing the water bills. She will have complete information and quotes at a future date. Will be approximately \$3,000 more than the current budget allows for postage, however, this includes, postage, ink, paper and labor. A decision will be made after all information is presented before the January meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. Dec. 9, 2023 – Christmas Boutique
- b. Dec. 11, 2023 - Board Meeting
- c. Dec. 16, 2023 – Christmas Parade

**Adjournment:**

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