

**MINUTES**  
**NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL**  
**January 4, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.**  
**Neosho Council Chambers**  
**203 E. Main St., Neosho, MO**

**OPEN & CALL TO ORDER**

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

**OPENING PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Doubek gave the opening prayer and Mayor Doubek led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, William Doubek, Julie Humphrey, and Angela Thomas were present.

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Tyler DeWitt and Ashton Robinson were absent.

CITY OFFICERS PRESENT:

Jordan Paul, City Attorney; David Kennedy, City Manager; Cheyenne Wright, City Clerk. Minutes taken by Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to approve the agenda as amended and approve the Consent Agenda to include the minutes from December 21, 2021 Open and Closed Session Council Minutes and Bill No. 2021:130; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll call vote:

Charles Collinsworth – Yes

Richard Davidson – Yes

William Doubek – Yes

Julie Humphrey – Yes

Angela Thomas – Yes

*Motion carried.*

**VISITOR'S BUSINESS**

1. David Bagstad spoke on the issues with traffic on Oak Ridge Drive.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Thank you to the Parks Department read in its entirety by City Clerk Wright.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES (1<sup>st</sup> Readings)**

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**Public Hearing for Bill No. 2022-05 Special Use Permit for 1205 Ozark for a Hair Salon/Barber Shop**

Mayor Doubek opened the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

There was nobody present to speak.

Mayor Doubek closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

**Bill No. 2022-05: Special Use Permit for 1205 Ozark for a Hair Salon/Barber Shop, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO SUMMER HOLTON FOR PURPOSES OF OPERATING A HAIR SALON/BARBER SHOP, AT 1205 OZARK, NEOSHO, MISSOURI.**

*Bill No. 2022-05 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.*

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-05: Special Use Permit for 1205 Ozark for a Hair Salon/Barber Shop, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading; Councilman Collinsworth seconded.

Development Services Director Holcomb addressed the Council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to review a special use permit application for operating a hair salon/barber shop for Summer Holton. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on December 14, 2021 and passed this SUP with a 4-0 vote. There was nobody present to speak at the public hearing held at this planning and zoning meeting.

Roll call vote:

William Doubek – Yes

Julie Humphrey – Yes

Angela Thomas – Yes

Charles Collinsworth – Yes

Richard Davidson – Yes

*Motion carried.*

**Public Hearing for Bill No. 2022-06 Rezoning for 314 E. Spring Street from M-1 to C-2 for Heather Hummel**

Mayor Doubek opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.

There was nobody present to speak.

Mayor Doubek closed the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.

**Bill No. 2022-06 Rezoning for 314 E. Spring Street from M-1 to C-2 for Heather Hummel, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, REZONING THE BELOW DESCRIBED PROPERTY A PLOT OF LAND AT 314 E SPRING ST FROM M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT TO C-2, GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, FOR THE PURPOSES OF HAVING A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING ON THE PROPERTY.**

*Bill No. 2022-06 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.*

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Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-06 Rezoning for 314 E. Spring Street from M-1 to C-2 for Heather Hummel, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading; Councilman Collinsworth seconded.

Development Services Director Holcomb addressed the Council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to review a rezoning request from Heather Hummel to change her building from M-1 to C-2. The buildings around her are C-2. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on December 14, 2021 to discuss this request and had a 4-0 vote in favor. There was nobody present to speak at the public hearing held at this planning and zoning meeting.

Roll call vote:

Julie Humphrey – Yes  
Angela Thomas – Yes  
Charles Collinsworth – Yes  
Richard Davidson – Yes  
William Doubek – Yes  
*Motion carried.*

**Bill No. 2022-03 Ballot Language requesting a Charter Amendment for Council Voting Requirements for April 5, 2022 Election, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2022, A PROPOSITION TO AMEND SECTION 2.16, "VOTING," OF THE CITY CHARTER; AUTHORIZING THE NEWTON COUNTY CLERK TO CONDUCT SAID ELECTION; AND FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO SUCH ELECTION.

*Bill No. 2022-03 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.*

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-03 Ballot Language requesting a Charter Amendment for Council Voting Requirements for April 5, 2022 Election, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading; Councilman Collinsworth seconded.

Attorney Paul explained that the purpose of this request is to request that this ballot language be put on the April 5, 2022 Election asking the citizens of Neosho to decide on voting requirements for Council. The City Clerk has software that will be in place in the future to allow for electronic voting, however the City Charter states that all votes of the Council shall be taken by roll call in alphabetical order. The City is requesting this part of the Charter to be updated by the Citizens to keep up with the electronic advancements and to streamline the meetings.

Roll call vote:

Angela Thomas – Yes  
Charles Collinsworth – Yes  
Richard Davidson – Yes  
William Doubek – Yes  
Julie Humphrey – Yes  
*Motion carried.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Emergency Management Director**

Fire Chief Houk addressed the Council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to appoint Aaron Houk to the emergency management director and would then be approved through Missouri State Emergency Management Agency. This position works closely with the City Manager to create emergency action plans and works in conjunction with City of Neosho Emergency Operations team during large scale events. This position is required for grant opportunities, as well as grants that have already been awarded to the City of Neosho. This position is also responsible for the testing and upkeep of the storm warning sirens in the City of Neosho and works closely with Blue Valley Public Safety.

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to appoint Aaron Houk, Fire Chief, as the Emergency Management Director; Councilwoman Thomas seconded.

Roll call vote:

- Charles Collinsworth – Yes
  - Richard Davidson – Yes
  - William Doubek – Yes
  - Julie Humphrey – Yes
  - Angela Thomas – Yes
- Motion carried.*

**ADJOURN**

Mayor Doubek asked if there was any further business to come before Council, with no response, he asked for a motion to adjourn; a motion was made by Councilman Collinsworth; seconded by Councilwoman Humphrey.

Roll call vote:

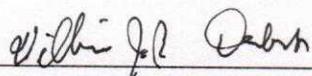
- Richard Davidson – Yes
  - William Doubek – Yes
  - Julie Humphrey – Yes
  - Angela Thomas – Yes
  - Charles Collinsworth – Yes
- Motion carried.*

Mayor Doubek adjourned the regular session meeting at 7:24 p.m.

APPROVED

ATTEST

NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL

  
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Mayor

City Clerk

