

MINUTES
NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL
May 17, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.
Neosho Council Chambers
203 E. Main St., Neosho, MO

OPEN & CALL TO ORDER

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

OPENING PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mark Taylor gave the opening prayer and Mayor DeWitt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Carl Cobb, Charles Collinsworth, Richard Davidson, Tyler DeWitt, Julie Humphrey, Ashton Robinson, and Angela Thomas were present.

COUNCIL ABSENT:

None were absent.

CITY OFFICERS PRESENT:

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve the agenda; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinsworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve and Consent the Agenda to include the following items:

May 3, 2022 Open Session Council Minutes
May 3, 2022 Closed Session Council Minutes
Bill No. 2022-34: Amending Section 300.020 Definitions-Motor Vehicle (Golf Carts)
Bill No. 2022-35: Agreement with Wisper ISP LLC – Antenna Lease
Bill No. 2022-36: Newton County Mutual Aid Agreement – Fire Department
Bill No. 2022-37: FY22 Budget Amendment
Bill No. 2022-38: Amending Ch 500 Sec 500.050 Section 1608 Snow Loads
Councilman Cobb seconded.

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Roll Call Vote:

Charles Collinsworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bill No. 2022-39: Agreement with Daniel and Connie Shea for Airport Access

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Neosho, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with Daniel and Connie Shea, husband and wife, for the purpose of authorizing residential “through-the-fence” airport access; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

Bill No. 2022-39 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-39: Agreement with Daniel and Connie Shea for Airport Access; Councilman Collinsworth seconded.

There was no discussion

Roll Call Vote:

Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinsworth - Yes
Motion carried.

VISITOR’S BUSINESS

There was nobody present for visitor’s business.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you to Caleb Ridenour and Zachary Chapman read in its entirety by City Clerk Wright

Thank you from Anderson Winslow-Kephart read in its entirety by City Clerk Wright.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES (1st Readings)

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Public Hearing for Bill No. 2022-41 Rezoning for Timber Valley Estates from R-1 to R-2

Opened Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m.

Ken Robinson spoke on his position on the Timber Valley Estates going in behind his property. He does not want the excess traffic and the moving of his driveway.

Josh Roadhow with Anderson Engineering is working on this project for Frog Pond Endeavors. He explained in detail the plat and plans for this property. All City codes have been met and followed in this process.

Closed Public Hearing at 7:33 p.m.

Bill No. 2022-40: Rezoning for Timber Valley Estates from R-1 to R-2

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, REZONING THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED BELOW, GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN 925 AND 945 BAXTER STREET, FROM R-1, FIRST DWELLING HOUSE DISTRICT, TO R-2, SECOND DWELLING HOUSE DISTRICT.

Bill No. 2022-40 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-40: Rezoning for Timber Valley Estates from R-1 to R-2; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Development Services Director Leavens addressed the Council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to seek Council's approval of the rezoning of a property located between 925 and 945 Baxter St. from R-1 to R-2. This request was first brought to the Planning and Zoning Commission in their April 12th meeting and tabled at that time because the commission had additional questions that could not be answered at that meeting. At the May 10th meeting, Planning and Zoning did not reach a quorum. The City Ordinance requires a response within 60 days of the application.

Staff recommends the approval of this rezoning.

Roll Call Vote:

- Tyler DeWitt – Yes
- Julie Humphrey – Yes
- Ashton Robinson – No
- Angela Thomas – Yes
- Carl Cobb – Yes
- Charles Collinsworth - Yes
- Richard Davidson – Yes

Motion carried.

Public Hearing for Bill No. 2022-40: Final Plat for Timber Valley Estates

Opened Public Hearing at 7:38 p.m.

There was nobody present to speak.

Closed Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

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Bill No. 2022-41: Final Plat for Timber Valley Estates

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF TIMBER VALLEY ESTATES II SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, NEWTON COUNTY, MISSOURI.

Bill No. 2022-41 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.

Councilwoman Humphrey made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-41: Final Plat for Timber Valley Estates; Councilwoman Thomas seconded.

Development Services Director Leavens addressed the Council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to seek Council's approval of the Timber Valley Estates II Subdivision final plat. Frog Pond Endeavors is seeking approval of the final plat of this subdivision.

Staff recommends the approval of the final plat for Timber Valley Estates II.

Roll Call Vote:

Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – No
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinsworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Motion carried.

Bill No. 2022-42: Hammer Road Roundabout Engineering Supplement No. 1

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Neosho, Missouri, to enter into Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Engineering Services Contract with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc., a Missouri Corporation, for the purpose of providing engineering services related to the planning, design, and construction inspections of a dual lane roundabout at the intersection of Missouri State Highway 86 and Hammer Road; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

Bill No. 2022-42 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.

Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-42: Hammer Road Roundabout Engineering Supplement No. 1; Councilman Cobb seconded.

City Manager Kennedy stated that this is a supplemental engineering agreement with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. for services on the Hammer and 86 highway projects. This authorizes the City of Neosho for prepayment of the remaining costs associated with this project.

Roll Call Vote:

Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes

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Charles Collinsworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Motion carried.

Bill No. 2022-43: Gateway and Hwy 86 Engineering Supplement No. 1

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Neosho, Missouri, to enter into Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Engineering Services Contract with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc., a Missouri Corporation, for the purpose of providing engineering services related to contract administration and construction inspections of intersection improvements at Missouri State Highway 86 and Gateway Drive; and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Neosho.

Bill No. 2022-43 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.

Councilman Davidson made a motion to approve and discuss Bill No. 2022-43: Gateway and Hwy 86 Engineering Supplement No. 1; Councilwoman Thomas seconded.

City Manager Kennedy stated that this is a supplemental engineering agreement with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. for services regarding the Gateway and 86 highway projects. This authorizes the City of Neosho for prepayment of the remaining costs associated with this project.

Roll Call Vote:

Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinsworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW RESOLUTIONS

Resolution Bill No. 2022-08: Amended Tax Abatement for Marco Group, Inc.

A RESOLUTION approving real property tax abatement for improvements on real property located at 5400 Doniphan Drive, Neosho, Missouri, within the Neosho/Newton County Enhanced Enterprise Zone; and authorizing the City Clerk to provide a copy of this Ordinance to the Director of the Missouri Department of Economic Development.

Resolution Bill No. 2022-08 was read in title only by Attorney Paul.

Councilman Davidson excused himself from the dais and discussion due to ownership of Marco Group, Inc. Councilman Collinsworth excused himself from discussion due to being an employee of Marco Group, Inc.

Attorney Paul addressed the Council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to extend the period of the tax abatement. The Enhanced Enterprise Zone was created on January 17, 2006 and expires after twenty-five

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years, which is January 17, 2031. Chapter 135, RSMo. Allows for an abatement granted within the last ten years of the EEZ to extend for up to a total of ten years. Because Marco Group, Inc. requested the maximum tax abatement term and this is what was discussed during EEZ Board Meeting and Council Meetings, including the associated public hearings, I have prepared an amended resolution that would extend Marco Group, Inc. abatement for a full ten years, from January 17, 2031 to August 3, 2031.

Councilman Cobb made a motion to approve Resolution Bill No. 2022-08 Amended Tax Abatement for Marco Group, Inc.; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinsworth - Abstain
Richard Davidson – Abstain
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Amendment to the Liberty Contract

Public Works Director Siler addressed the Council stating that the purpose of this agenda item is to request amending the Liberty Utilities contract. This amendment is for the installation and usage for 5 streetlights along Bogey Lane and Eagle Drive. These lights are a part of the Greens II Subdivision.

Councilwoman Thomas made a motion to approve the amendment to the Liberty Utilities Contract as presented; Councilwoman Humphrey seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Charles Collinsworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Motion carried.

Police Department Employment Training Contract

Police Chief Baird presented the employment training contract to Council for approval.

Councilman Collinsworth made a motion to approve the employment training contract; Councilman Davidson seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Richard Davidson – Yes

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Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinworth - Yes
Motion carried.

Fire Department Employment Training Contract

Battalion Chief Williams presented the employment training contract to Council for approval.

Councilwoman Robinson made a motion to approve the employment training contract; Councilman Cobb seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Motion carried.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

City Manager Kennedy informed the Council that the State has opened up ARPA funding set up through DNR as grants. HSTCC will be working on obtaining grants for storm water, the Public Works Director will be working with Allgeier on the distribution side for grants, and Alliance Water Resources will be working towards applying for lift station and slip lining grants.

ADJOURN

Mayor DeWitt 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 Collinworth; seconded by Councilwoman Humphrey.

Roll Call Vote:

Julie Humphrey – Yes
Ashton Robinson – Yes
Angela Thomas – Yes
Carl Cobb – Yes
Charles Collinworth - Yes
Richard Davidson – Yes
Tyler DeWitt – Yes
Motion carried.

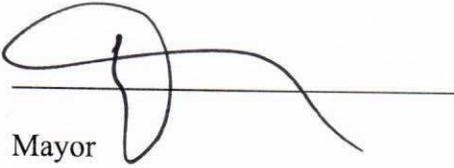
Mayor DeWitt adjourned the regular session meeting at 8:02 p.m.

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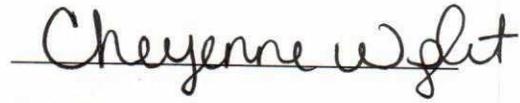
APPROVED

ATTEST

NEOSHO CITY COUNCIL



Mayor



City Clerk

