

City of Nokomis
City of Nokomis Council Regular Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2023

The City Council of the City of Nokomis, County of Montgomery, Illinois held its regular meeting at the Nokomis City Hall on Monday, June 26, 2023. Mayor Goldsmith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and the Deputy Clerk called the roll. Those present were Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Also present Deputy Clerk Smith, Attorney Chris Sherer; Ellen Christener (Pana News) Ben Schwarm (Journal News) Allen Hard, Jessica and Derek Durbin, Joe Gasparich, and Kathy Daniels.

VISITORS

Jessica Durbin asked the council to approve her park permit at Fred B. Johnson Park for September 16, 2023 dog adoption and car show. Jessica stated that she has already lined up a food truck and she is working on getting venders. Jessica stated that her last dog adoption was a big success with four dogs being adopted that day. Jessica asked if they could have the block around the park blocked off. Commissioner Glenn suggested to leave open the street with the mailboxes which would be Central Street, so to only close off Spruce, Pine, and Union.

Joe Gasparich was present to give an update on the siren, he stated that it was on the trailer and will be installed as soon as they have an availability to install it. Joe went on to complain about the shed house at 204 S. Vine and all the dealings going on there. Joe would like something to be done. Mayor Goldsmith stated that they would look into the issue.

Kathy Daniels was present to ask the council permission to stay open until 3 a.m. on July 9th for the homecoming, stating that she has been allowed to every year. Kathy also asked to close Front Street between Pine and the bowling alley drive as she will be a stop for the Taylorville VFW poker run. Kathy stated that she was expecting them around 2 pm and would only have it blocked as long as the bikes where there.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the June 12, 2023 regular meeting were presented. Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Minutes of the June 12, 2023 executive meeting were presented. Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve the minutes with as written. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the

motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Resolutions, Petitions, Ordinances, Remonstrance

Ordinance 2106 was presented, an ordinance authorizing the disposal of surplus personal property owned by the City of Nokomis. Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve ordinance 2106 with the removal of the dump truck. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Ordinance 2107 was presented, an ordinance superseding ordinance number 2100 and amending article V, chapter 6 of the revised code of ordinance of the City of Nokomis. Commissioner Morris made a motion to adopt ordinance 2107. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve pay application #5 for the water main project L17-6229 in the amount of \$120,194.53. Commissioner Morris seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Reports of City Officers

Commissioner Morris presented a building permit for a fence at 310 S Pine stating that she and Commissioner Glenn went over and everything looked good. Commissioner Morris made a motion to approve the building permit at 310 S Pine. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Glenn reported on the street department's monthly report, adding that they have been out spraying weeds, pouring concrete for the sidewalk at North Pine, mowing, and added that he would like the fire hydrants to get flushed and painted. Commissioner Morris added that she would like to see a notice sent out before the flushing beings. Mayor Goldsmith stated that water superintendent is taking the lead on this and will be flow testing the hydrants as he goes. Commissioner Glenn added that the snow plow attachment will need to be added to the next agenda for payment approval.

Commissioner Arkebauer presented the water and wastewater reports with a brief discussion on valve exercising and the cameraing of the sewer lines. Commissioner Arkebauer stated that he is waiting on a call back to set up the training for the locator. Mayor Goldsmith stated that Benton and Associates is wanting to set up a zoom call for all incoming commissioner's to go over the wastewater project.

Commissioner Stauder was absent so Mayor Goldsmith presented the May's treasure's report.

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve the allocation of funds for the Union Street Project. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Mayor Goldsmith reported the monthly revenues at \$144,468.93.

Mayor Goldsmith presented the Police Department's monthly report.

Approval of Bills

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve the bill's totaling \$538,612.75. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Goldsmith stated that he and Eric Emmerich with EJ water will be having a meeting July 3rd to go over the EJ water supply agreement for Coalton.

Mayor Goldsmith stated that he spoke with Chris Coss giving a brief rundown of the meeting, and stated that the C & K contract can be taken off the agenda until the contract is due in 2024.

Mayor Goldsmith began the discussion for advertising of the lift station portable generator proposals, stating that this is to replace the one that caught on fire. Mayor Goldsmith added that we could get this in the paper on June 29, 2023 with the bid opening at the July 24, 2023 meeting and awarding the bid at the August 14th meeting or set up a special meeting. Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve the advertising for the lift station portable generator proposals. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Morris made a motion to approve the purchase of three computers for City Hall. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Glenn stated that the purchase of new mowers can be removed from the agenda for now, as the mowers can't be ordered until March of 2024.

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve Aumann's Auction to provide services to the City of Nokomis for the sale of City property with a 10% commission. Commissioner Morris

seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Morris made a motion to approve the park permit and blocking of Spruce, Pine, and Union around Fred B. Johnson Park for Jessica Durbin holding a dog adoption and car show. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to add a travel code to the City handbook in the amount of \$30 a day when traveling for the City of Nokomis. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Morris made a motion to approve Kathy Daniels at Bernardinis to stay open one hour later on July 9, 2023 with closing time of 3 am. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to approve Bernardinis request to block off Front Street from the bowling alley drive to Pine Street for the VFW poker run on July 8th. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Commissioner Arkebauer made a motion to approve the payment or reimbursement for the officials and clerks to attend the 2023 IML conference in Chicago. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Mayor Goldsmith stated that the Library would like help paying for the new cabinets at the new building, as they are leaving the existing ones in place at City Hall. The new cabinets total cost was \$1695.88 and the City could help with as much or as little as they would like. Commissioner Glenn stated that half would be fair. Commissioner Morris made a motion to approve \$850.00 to the library for purchase of cabinets. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to go into executive session during its regular session at 8:25 p.m. to speak about the Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or

more classes of the employees (5ILCS 120/2 (c) (2). Commissioner Morris seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Other Business

Commissioner Glenn made a motion to resume regular session at 8:45. Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried. Nothing to report from executive session.

Adjournment

Commissioner Morris made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 P.M. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, and Arkebauer; and Mayor Goldsmith. Commissioner Stauder was absent. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karri Smith
Deputy Clerk