

**MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
120 S. Ash
City Council Chambers
Tuesday, March 2, 2021
7:00 p.m.**

NOTICE OF MEETING

A regular session of the City Council of Nevada, Missouri was posted pursuant to Section 2-6 and Section 2-7 of the City Code and RSMo., Chapter 610.021 with a tentative agenda on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

A regular session of the City Council of Nevada, Missouri was held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 pursuant to Section 2-6 and 2-7 of the City Code and Section 3.11 of the City Charter. The meeting could be watched by Facebook live:
<https://www.facebook.com/ournevadmo/>.

Mayor Knox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Mickey Russell gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

The following Council members were present for roll call:

Present: Lyndon Eberhard; Carol Gallagher; George Knox; Kendall Vickers

Absent: Ryan Watts

Mayor Knox excused Councilperson Watts due to work obligations.

Staff present: Mark Mitchell, City Manager; Wm. G. McCaffree, City Attorney; Michele Bailey, City Clerk; Richard DeBruin, Police Sergeant; Troy Denney, Fire Chief; Sharon Baker, HR Director

PROCLAMATIONS

There were no proclamations presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilperson Vickers moved to accept the February 23, 2021 regular session City Council minutes as written. Councilperson Eberhard provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

There were none.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS

Consideration of Bid for a replacement head on the 2009 Tymco Street Sweeper not to exceed \$11, 384.85.

Councilperson Gallagher moved to accept the bid from Local Equipment Co for the replacement heads on the 2009 Tymco Street Sweeper not to exceed \$11,384.85. Councilperson Eberhard provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed unanimously.

Aye: Vickers; Eberhard; Gallagher; Knox.

Nay: None

Absent: Watts

Next, Consideration of Bid for Fire Department Extrication Tools not to exceed \$19,240.00.

Councilperson Vickers moved to accept the bid from Alex Air Apparatus Councilperson Gallagher provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed unanimously.

Aye: Eberhard; Gallagher; Knox, Vickers

Nay: None

Absent: Watts

Next, Consideration of Bid for Water Treatment Plant Chemicals from Brentag not to exceed \$52,000

Councilperson Eberhard moved to accept the bid from Brentag for Water Treatment Plant Chemicals
Councilperson Vickers provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed unanimously.

Aye: Gallagher; Knox, Vickers; Eberhard;
Nay: None
Absent: Watts

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FROM THOSE REGISTERED WITH THE CITY CLERK

Wayne Blunt of 625 East Maple St. Nevada, Missouri voiced his concerns on the new Fire Rescue truck stating he thought it was odd that the city would finance something after it was received. The Mayor addressed his concerns noting the City Fire truck had been approved, purchased, and paid for over a year ago. Mr. Blunt also addressed the street sweeper repairs and made suggestions to the council. The repairs were then explained and visuals provided.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. Milo Fire Department- Assistant Fire Chief – Derek White spoke on behalf of Milo Fire Department and the need for the old Rescue truck the City of Nevada currently has that may come up for sale. A discussion ensued with the council when presented as a possible donation of the vehicle. The council stated they will discuss the vehicle and other items being placed in surplus and it will be brought forward at a later date.

Councilperson Eberhard voiced his concerns on donating a vehicle and stated the city would benefit more to sell it or continue to keep it in service.

Councilperson Vickers suggested Milo seek a possible grant or low interest loan to purchase the vehicle from the city and once a price has been decided on the vehicle may be placed up for sale.

2. Park Board Membership- Cyndia Haggard, Chair brought forth her concerns of the limitations on membership with the Park Board which currently has a limit on persons from the city and county seated on the board. Ms. Haggard stated

she would like to see a change in the regulation currently in place and enable the board to encompass the whole 64772 zip code. Ordinance No. 8345 was passed and adopted in June of 2020 and assigns seven (7) directors which may include City of Nevada and Vernon County residents with the majority chosen from residents of the city. The problem brought forth is that current members may move outside of city limit by one block and be unable to maintain a seat. Ms. Haggard asked the council to review and reconsider. Membership by persons of the city have been waning in the past several years and she believes the only way to get better membership is by allowing the board to encompass the metropolitan of the full area under 64772.

Councilperson Eberhard voiced concerns of changing the current ordinance and stated that persons outside of the city are allowed to come and utilize our parks for free and he feels we should keep it at the current standing of 7 members, 4 city and 3 county.

Councilperson Vickers stated he could see both sides and that he felt the reason persons move just outside the city limits is due to the inability to build the size of homes they wish to have due to current restrictions and the small lands available within the city limits. He does not feel the need to limit the majority of persons on the board to just the city.

Mayor Knox said the council will discuss the matter however, since the ordinance was revised to meet quorum it will have to be reviewed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

OLD BUSINESS

Next to be considered was Second Reading of Bill No. 2021-016 A General Ordinance of the City of Nevada Missouri amending Section 2-23 of the Code of the City of Nevada, Missouri.

Councilperson Gallagher moved to place Bill No. 2021-016 on second reading by title only. Councilperson Eberhard provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Vickers, Eberhard, Gallagher, Knox
Nay: None
Absent: Watts

The Mayor declared Bill No. 2021-016 read a second time, passed, approved and adopted. The Bill was numbered **Ordinance No. 8399** and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk. The Mayor directed said Ordinance be engrossed upon the corporate records.

Next, Consideration of Second Reading of Bill No. 2021-017 A Special Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri authorizing execution of an agreement for solid waste for solid waste disposal with Republic Services.

Councilperson Vickers moved to place Bill No. 2021-017 on second reading by title only. Councilperson Eberhard provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Eberhard, Gallagher Knox; Vickers;
Nay: None
Absent: Watts

The Mayor declared Bill No. 2021-017 read a second time, passed, approved and adopted. The Bill was numbered **Ordinance No. 8400** and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk. The Mayor directed said Ordinance be engrossed upon the corporate records.

Then consideration of, Second Reading of Bill No. 2021-018 A Special Ordinance authorizing the City of Nevada, Missouri to enter into a lease/purchase agreement with Metz Bank for the acquisition of a 2021 Freightliner Rescue Truck.

Councilperson Eberhard moved to place Bill No. 2021-018 on second reading by title only. Councilperson Vickers provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Gallagher; Knox, Vickers, Eberhard

Nay: None
Absent: Watts

The Mayor declared Bill No. 2021-018 read a second time, passed, approved and adopted. The Bill was numbered **Ordinance No. 8401** and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk. The Mayor directed said Ordinance be engrossed upon the corporate records.

Then, Consideration of the Second Reading of Bill No. 2021-019 A Special Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri accepting the option for BKD, LLP to conduct the annual audit for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.

Councilperson Eberhard moved to place Bill No. 2021-019 on second reading by title only. Councilperson Gallagher provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Knox, Vickers; Eberhard; Gallagher.
Nay: None
Absent: Watts

The Mayor declared Bill No. 2021-019 read a second time, passed, approved and adopted. The Bill was numbered **Ordinance No. 8402** and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk. The Mayor directed said Ordinance be engrossed upon the corporate records.

NEW BUSINESS

Next, a. Consideration of Bill No. 2021-020 A General Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri amending Section 40-29 of the Nevada City Code pertaining to water service connection cost approved by Ordinance 8382.

Councilperson Gallagher moved to place Bill No. 2021-020 on first reading by title only. Councilperson Vickers provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Gallagher; Knox; Vickers, Eberhard
Nay: None
Absent: Watts

Then, Consideration of Resolution 1575 – Resolution of the City of Nevada Missouri declaring certain equipment, vehicles, and items in the City’s inventory to be surplus property and authorizing its disposal.

Councilperson Gallagher moved to place Bill No. Resolution 1575 on first reading by title only. Councilperson Vickers provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Knox; Vickers; Eberhard, Gallagher
Nay: None
Absent: Watts

Noting the council were in favor of selling the road grader and fire rescue truck in lieu of placement on Purple Wave surplus.

REPORTS

Monthly Department Reports

The following reports were reviewed and are on file in the City Clerk’s Office:

Boards and Commissions Written Minutes/Reports

The following minutes were reviewed and are on file in the City Clerk’s Office:

November 18, 2020 NRMCLTC Board Minutes
January 27, 2021 Park Board Minutes

Mayor’s Report –

Mayor Knox reported on the groundbreaking for the new Freddy’s restaurant on March 1st stating it was wonderful to see new opportunity in Nevada. Freddy’s will be hiring approximately 80 employees. The Mayor then thanked Dr. Lovinger and his wife, Aimee Meyer and her husband Jesse for their efforts to bring new business to Nevada.

Mayor Knox held the Coffee and Conversation with the Mayor at the current location of Precision Coffee on February 25, 2021. He stated the conversation from when he first took office has shifted greatly over the past year and has gone from hearing complaints to getting compliments on how the city is working toward the future and well on the way to accomplishing numerous tasks that have set aside for long periods. The fact that persons now come forward and present a problem with a possible solution or suggestions and feel as if their concerns are well received; has brought positivity and a new attitude to the forefront. Citizens are taking notice that our city is improving.

The Mayor then thanked Ben Vickers for all his wonderful work he has done for and with the City of Nevada. Stating the city is looking forward to having Ben continue to work on additional projects with the city in future.

City Manager's Report

City Manager, Mark Mitchell presented his report to the council.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Councilperson Eberhard asked once again about the Austin Blvd improvement project and City Manager, Mark Mitchell stated it continues to be on hold and now with the company's staffing changes the contracts are under legal review.

Councilperson Gallagher questioned when the dispensary will begin to build and City Manager addressed the fact the dispensary is currently seeking to gain easement in the area behind the Pilot station and this will all take some time and be easements will be brought to council at a later date.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Mayor determined there was not a need for Executive Session and moved forward to adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before City Council, Mayor Knox asked for a motion to adjourn.


Councilperson Gallagher moved to adjourn the regular session of City Council. Councilperson Eberhard provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:


Aye: Knox, Vickers, Eberhard, Gallagher

Nay: None

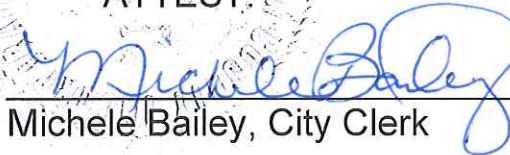
Absent: Watts

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.


Michele Bailey, City Clerk


George Knox, Mayor

(seal)
ATTEST:


Michele Bailey, City Clerk