

A REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEKOOSA WAS HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Brad Hamilton.

Robert Schultz      Larry Krubsack      August Woiak  
Donald Nelson      Dan Carlson

Alan Marcoux and Donald Nickel – Absent.

Moved by Woiak, seconded by Nelson to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT  
GENERAL FUND  
JUNE 30, 2007

GENERAL

TOTAL RECEIPTS 6-30-2007	258,665.60
BOOK BALANCE 5-31-2007	<u>128,512.22</u>
	387,177.82
DISBURSEMENTS 6-30-2007	<u>325,475.27</u>
BOOK BALANCE 6-30-2007	61,702.55
VOIDED CHECKS 6-30-2007	<u>24,299.04</u>
	86,001.59
OUTSTANDING CHECKS 6-30-2007	<u>9,355.73</u>
	95,357.32
OUTSTANDING DEPOSIT 6-30-2007	<u>5.00</u>
BANK BALANCE 6-30-2007	95,352.32

WATER

TOTAL RECEIPTS 6-30-2007	3,105.96
BOOK BALANCE 5-31-2007	<u>50,012.61</u>
	53,118.57
DISBURSEMENTS 6-31-2007	<u>35,628.79</u>
BOOK BALANCE 6-31-2007	17,489.78
OUTSTANDING DEPOSIT	<u>30.00</u>
BANK BALANCE 6-30-2007	17,459.78

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Grosskreutz  
Treasurer, City of Nekoosa

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Nelson to accept the Treasurer's Report as written.  
Carried.

Forget Me Not (Poppy) Sale for Disabled Veterans will be held on Friday, July 27, 2007 at Nekoosa Bank, Terry's Amoco and Piggly Wiggly.

Wood County Sheriff Reichert will conduct Listening Session at City Hall on Thursday, August 30, 2007 from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

WHEREAS, two legislative committees held a hearing on AB 207 and SB 107, bills aimed at bringing video competition to Wisconsin consumers-at the cost to Wisconsin citizens of local consumer protections, local public access channels and local regulation; and

WHEREAS, video competition will be coming to Milwaukee without AB 207 or SB 107, thanks to an interim agreement in a lawsuit against AT&T; and

WHEREAS, several communities already enjoy video competition without AB 207 and SB 107; and

WHEREAS, Verizon has easily obtained local franchises covering nearly 8 million U.S. households but only offers video service to 30 percent of them, and AT&T has franchises covering 60 percent of its national footprint yet only offers video service in a tiny fraction of selected markets; and

WHEREAS, public access from the video subscriber's living room to the actions of local government, community schools, area youth groups and religious services the resources are at risk under AB 207 and SB 107; and

WHEREAS, AB 207 and SB 107 would eliminate or undermine local control of rights of way, eliminate or undermine in-kind support that public, educational and governmental (PEG) channels receive from cable and video providers, reduce franchise-fee revenues, eliminate dedicated PEG support fees, impose impossible content requirements and eliminate cablecast technical standards; and

WHEREAS, none of these community resources need be sacrificed in the name of a goal that everyone in Wisconsin seeks: video competition based on fair rules and on a level playing field; and

WHEREAS, federal law requires cable companies to provide public, educational and governmental (PEG) channel support according to community needs, and there is no reason state law cannot hold all video providers to the same standard;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Nekoosa urges the Wisconsin Legislature to reject the state-knows-best philosophy embodied in AB 207 and SB 107, and enact legislation maintaining local control over video providers while ensuring a level playing field for competition; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Nekoosa recommends adoption of the language of the interim agreement between the City of Milwaukee and AT&T as a framework to maintain local control and encourage competition; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Nekoosa in the alternative urges the Wisconsin Legislature to support and adopt the amendments to proposed AB 207 and SB 107 as recommended in the March 26, 2007 memorandum from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities, the Wisconsin Alliance of Cities and the Wisconsin Association of PEG Channels to preserve local control over video providers and local rights of way.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City of Nekoosa, that the City Clerk forward copies of this resolution to Sen. Julie Lassa, Rep. Marlin Schneider, Rep. Amy Sue Vruwink, the League of Wisconsin Municipalities, the Wisconsin Alliance of Cities and the Wisconsin Association of PEG Channels.

## WAYS & MEANS

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Nekoosa Common Council:

A Ways & Means meeting was held on Tuesday, July 10, 2007 at 6:15 p.m. in the Nekoosa Council Chambers. Members present were: Dan Carlson-Chairperson, Brad Hamilton-Secretary, August Woiak, Robert Schultz. Also in attendance were: Don Nelson.

1. Audited all bills.
2. Recommend Temporary Class "B" Retailers License to Sacred Heart Church.
3. Recommend cigarette license for Gauri LLC (The Store).
4. Recommend Class "A" Beer License for Gauri, LLC (The Store).
5. Recommend resolution opposing Assembly Bill 207 and Senate Bill 107 regarding State Video Franchising Legislation.
6. Recommend Applications for License to Serve Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors to: *Best in Town*; Donna Williamson, Shereen Lindsay: *Party Connection*; Amy VanMeter, Judith Downing: *The Store*; Neetaben Raval, Bhagban-Bhai Patel, Jyayprakash Raval: *Piggly Wiggly*; Athena Peterson: *Sacred Heart*; Dennis McLaughlan, Rev. John Swing: *Nekoosa Fire Dept.*; Joseph Krcmar, Kenneth Moody, Dustin Moody, David Reinschmidt.

Respectfully submitted,

Moved by Carlson, seconded by Nelson that the Ways & Means Committee Report of July 10, 2007 be accepted as written. Carried.

Moved by Carlson, seconded by Krubsack that Items 2-6 of the Ways & Means Committee Report of July 10, 2007 be adopted for action.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Carried.

## PUBLIC WORKS

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Nekoosa Common Council:

A Public Works meeting was held on June 20, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the Nekoosa Council Chambers. Members present were: Al Marcoux-Chairperson, Don Nickel-Secretary, Don Nelson and August Woiak. Also in attendance were: John Richmond, Kirk Skoog, Body Leda, Mich Dumasil, Terry Shymanski-DPW, and Mayor Freeman.

1. Preconstruction meeting for Industrial Park construction start June 20, 2007 with substantial completion- November 16, 2007. Final completion May 23, 2008.
2. Covered federal rules on project as grant money is involved; Intergity Grading to comply and file report to feds.
3. Emmet Peterson to coordinate water valve turnons and shutoffs. Phone 570-1802.

Respectfully submitted,

Members present were: Al Marcoux -Chairperson, Brad Hamilton – Secretary, Don Nelson and Don Nickel. Also in attendance were: Bob Schultz, Dan Greve – MSA, Terry Shymanski, Mike Lieber, Emmet Peterson, Mayor Freeman, Julie Giese – USDA.

1. Received report from MSA on WWTP. Discussed funding WWTP project with Julie Giese – USDA.
2. Discussed Industrial Park – construction is beginning. Recommend mayor sign Notice to Proceed with Project A.

Respectfully submitted,

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Nelson that the Public Works Committee Reports of June 20, 2007 and July 9, 2007 be accepted as written. Carried.

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Woiak that Item 2 of the Public Works Committee Report of July 9, 2007 be adopted for action.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Carried.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

To The Honorable Mayor and Members of the Nekoosa Common Council:

A Public Safety meeting was held on Tuesday June 26, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Nekoosa Council Chambers.

Members present were: Larry Krubsack – Chairperson, Brad Hamilton – Secretary, Don Nelson and Gus Woiak. Also in attendance were: Al Marcoux, Don Nickel, Robert Schultz, Mayor Freeman, Asst. Fire Chief Kelnhofer, Fire Chief Hartje, Ambulance Chief Harnisch, Asst. Ambulance Chief Moody, Police Chief Reimer, Bill & Nancy Kautzer.

1. Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Nelson to go into closed session pursuant to WI Stats 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss police personnel issues. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Nekoosa Common Council:

A Public Safety meeting was held on Tuesday July 5, 2007 at 6:15 pm. in the Nekoosa Council Chambers.

Members present were: Larry Krubsack – Chairperson, Brad Hamilton – Secretary, Gus Woiak and Don Nelson. Also in attendance were: Mayor Freeman, Al Marcoux, Police Chief Reimer, Don Nickel, Bob Schultz, Fire Chief Hartje, Ambulance Chief Harnisch and Phil Hartley – Humane Society.

1. Discussed Humane Society contract with Phil Hartley.
2. Recommend purchasing three laptop computers from Best Buy for approximately \$3,000.00 total.
3. Recommend Fire Dept apply for 50/50 grant from the DNR for approximately \$12,000.00

7. Recommend bids be let for new squad.
8. Motion by Woiak, seconded by Nelson to go into closed session pursuant to WI Stats 19.85(1)(c) to review applications for police officer. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Nekoosa Common Council:

A Public Safety meeting was held on Tuesday, July 9, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Nekoosa Council Chambers.

Members present were: Larry Krubsack – Chairperson, Brad Hamilton – Secretary, Gus Woiak and Don Nelson. Also in attendance were: Al Marcoux, Police Chief Reimer and Mayor Freeman.

1. Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Woiak to go into closed session pursuant to WI Stats 19.85(1)(c) to interview candidates for the Nekoosa Police Department. Carried.
2. Motion by Hamilton, seconded by Nelson to go into open session pursuant to WI Stats 19.85(2) to make recommendation from closed session. Carried.
3. Recommend conditional offer of employment to Dustin J. Gessert.

Respectfully submitted,

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Woiak that the Public Safety Committee Reports of June 26, 2007, July 5, 2007 and July 9, 2007 be accepted as written. Carried.

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Woiak that Items 2-7 of the Public Safety Committee Report of July 5, 2007 be adopted for action.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Carried.

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Woiak that Item 3 of the Public Safety Committee Report of July 9, 2007 be adopted for action.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Carried.

### **PROPERTY RECREATION & HUMAN AFFAIRS**

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Nekoosa Common Council:

A Property Recreation & Human Affairs meeting was held on July 5, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Nekoosa Council Chambers.

Members present were: Brad Hamilton – Chairperson, Larry Krubsack – Secretary, Robert Schultz and Don Nickel. Also in attendance were: Mayor Freeman and Al Marcoux.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROPERTY INSURANCE FUND RESOLUTION**

RESOLVED, that from and after the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 2007, the buildings and other property belonging to the City of Nekoosa be insured in the Local Government Property Insurance Fund, under Chapter 605, Wis. Stats. and amendments thereto.

The clerk of the City of Nekoosa is hereby directed to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.  
Adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

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Gordon G. Freeman, Mayor

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Joseph M. Rusch II, City Clerk

Moved by Woiak, seconded by Nelson to adopt Local Government Property Insurance Fund Resoluiton.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Carried.

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Nelson to accept the Police Chief's monthly report as written. Carried.

Moved by Woiak, seconded by Nelson to accept the Ambulance Department's monthly report as written. Carried.

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Nelson to accept the Fire Depaqrtnent's monthly report as written. Carried.

General Bills	\$211,161.41
Water Bills	\$40,614.08

Moved by Woiak, seconded by Nelson to pay all bills as written and read.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Carried.

Moved by Krubsack, seconded by Woiak to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph M. Rusch II  
City Clerk