

Regular City Council Meeting 6-17-2026

The Regular City Council Meeting for the City of Neola opened at 5:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Karla Pogge was present along with city council members Robb Locky, Charles Redinbaugh, Joe Munch and Ty Ungrad. Others in attendance were Ember Locky, Clint Fichter, Wyatt Crocker, Wyatt Aufdenberg, Scott Reelfs, Mike Jorgensen, Gene and Rachel Johnson and Kelli Schneegass.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Munch and seconded by Locky. All in favor.

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Ungrad. Discussion was held on claims and withholding payment to McCarthy Trenching due to discrepancy in previous work completed. Motion seconded by Redinbaugh. All in favor.

Discussion was held on the Water Treatment Plant Improvement regarding final approval and pay application. Mike Jorgensen of Snyder was present to address concerns. Motion to approve completion of Water Treatment Plant Project and pay application 120.1088.09A made by Ungrad, seconded by Redinbaugh. All in favor.

Motion to approve Resolution 26-0617-01 accepting completion of work for Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project made by Ungrad, seconded by Redinbaugh. Roll call vote: Munch aye, Locky aye, Redinbaugh aye, Ungrad aye.

Motion to approve 2025 Street Improvement Project for Carley Construction and Pay Application #2 125.0881.09 for \$340, 009.84 made by Redinbaugh, seconded by Munch, all in favor.

Motion to approve Resolution 26-0617-02 approving a mortgage secured, tax exempt note, with Shelby County State Bank in the amount of \$362,600.00, made by Munch, seconded by Locky. Roll call vote: Redinbaugh aye, Ungrad aye, Munch aye, Locky aye.

Discussion was held on Erosion Control at Meyerring Phase I with Scott Reelfs. Reelfs presented 4 options to help with the easement drainage issue. Option #2 to extend the ditch with grading and seeding. Scott will prepare a scope of work and send bids to local contractors and prepare a report for a July 1st special meeting. No action taken.

Discussion was held on a permanent training site for the NVFD. Motion to table until July 2026 meeting to confer with NVFD about specifics to related issues to the training site, made by Redinbaugh, seconded by Munch. All in favor.

Discussion was held on bids for a retaining wall on the East side of 2nd and Front St. Motion to table until next council meeting where Steve Christensen of EZ Enterprises can explain his bid/proposal in depth made by Munch, seconded by Ungrad. All in favor.

Discussion was held on possible action for street closures for HooDoo. Motion to accept with requests that the city provide temporary no parking signage made by Munch, seconded by Redinbaugh. All in favor.

Motion to approve Hydrant Parties starting the first part of July into the first part of August on Fridays made by Munch seconded by Redinbaugh. All in favor.

Discussion was held on the Farm Lease for Meyerring Hill Phase III. Motion made by Munch to accept the terms of the Farm Lease-Cash Rent with Brody Barrier for the crop year ending November 15, 2026 for the total amount of \$6,900.00 seconded by Redinbaugh. All in favor.

Discussion was held on the City Code Chapters 1-5. No action taken.

Discussion was held on Noah Dickerson's requests for July 4th Fireworks show at the Ballpark. Motion made by Redinbaugh to accomodate requests seconded by Locky. All in favor.

Discussion was held on tree removal on the city right of way at 500 3rd St. Motion to approve removal at 500 3rd St for \$700 from Zeb Wahle made by Redinbaugh, seconded by Munch. All in favor.

Discussion was held on Employee raises with Harris receiving 3% to make her hourly wage \$25.75. Locky 2.2% to increase her hourly wage to \$23.00 and was also given 60 hours of paid time off. Crocker was given 3.06% with a \$1 performance raise to make his hourly rate \$34 and Aufdenberg was given 3.06% and \$1 performance raise to make his hourly rate \$26.60. The health stipend was raised from \$575 a month to \$750 per month. Motion made to approve raises, time off and increase in stipend made by Redinbaugh, seconded by Munch, Ungrad in favor, Locky abstain.

Employee Reports: Clerk Locky presented a report on utilities from last month. There were 50 delinquent letters, 13 red tags and 0 shut offs. Crocker and Aufdenberg reported on spraying weeds, putting up basketball hoops and fixing volleyball nets, as well as making sure the baseball/softball field is ready for games. Crocker reported on Sludge removal and hoping for that to be resolved next week. Crocker also put in temporary power to the new construction homes at Meyerring Phase III. Aufdenberg reported that after taking classes, he has registered through the DNR to take his level I wastewater test.

No Public Official comments were made.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Redinbaugh, seconded by Locky. All in favor. Meeting officially adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Karla Pogge, Mayor

ATTEST: Ember Locky, City Clerk