

**City of Nokomis**  
**City of Nokomis Council EXECUTIVE SESSION Minutes**  
**May 22, 2023**

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The City Council of the City of Nokomis, County of Montgomery, Illinois went into an executive session at 7:41 P.M. during their regular City council meeting on Monday, May 22, 2023. Those present were Commissioners Morris, Glenn, Arkebauer, Stauder and Mayor Goldsmith. Also present was City Clerk Hill, Attorney Chris Sherer.

Commissioner Morris made a motion to enter executive session at 7:41 P.M. for The Purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body (5ILCS 120/2 (c ) (5) the setting of a price for sale of lease of property owned by the public body (5ILCS 120/2 (c )(6). The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee of the Public Body (5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1). Commissioner Arkebauer seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, Arkebauer, Stauder and Mayor Goldsmith. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Mayor Goldsmith brought to the Councils attention that a property located at the corner of Griffin and Carl Street in currently owned by the County and has been up for sale for a long time. Mayor Goldsmith stated he has spoken with County and believes the City could purchase the property for around \$700.00. Mayor Goldsmith stated he thinks the property next to it could also be purchased and the City could potentially purchase both properties for cheap. Mayor Goldsmith stated the property could potentially be useful if we do a storm sewer project in that area, or even if we just purchase it to get the lot cleaned up. Commissioner Stauder questioned what it would cost to get the trees on the property cleaned up. Adding that it would probably cost another \$1,200 for the tree clean up. Commissioner Glenn asked if the state could be giving out money for storm sewers. Mayor Goldsmith stated that the EPA is interested in flood control and he has asked Roger Nuxoll of Farnsworth to keep an eye out for potential storm sewer grants. Commissioner Stauder stated that part of the problem is that we had a lot of rain in a short period of time and the Cities culverts are not designed for that. Stating our culverts are not designed for fifty year storms but designed for the average ten or five year storm. Not big rains. Commissioner Morris added that her culvert goes out but is usually drains pretty fast. But that she did get a complaint about the culvert at Capps that left mud on the road. Mayor Goldsmith let the council know that he also spoke to the USDA office about the direction the water flows through town. Commissioner Glenn stated he is not sure he has the money in the budget and let the Council know that we need to make sure the culverts are open. Discussion was then held on cleaning out ditches and culverts. Mayor Goldsmith stated that if no one is interested in the property we will terminate the idea for now. Discussion was held on non-union employee raises. Mayor Goldsmith stated he would like to do individual employee reviews.

With nothing more to discuss. Commissioner Morris made a motion to exit executive session at 7:58 P.M. Commissioner Glenn seconded the motion. Voting yes, Commissioners Morris, Glenn, Arkebauer, Stauder and Mayor Goldsmith. Nays, none. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Hill,  
City Clerk