

City of Harrah
City Council Meeting
October 14, 2010

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, 2010 in the City Council Room at 1900 Church Avenue, Harrah, Oklahoma for a Special Meeting. Upon roll call, those found to be present were Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson, Councilman Cass Smith & Councilman Gordon Jeney. Mayor Larry Fryar & Councilman Tom Barron were not in attendance at roll call. Vice-Mayor Patterson led in the salute to the flag. City Manager Earl Burson gave the invocation.

Items on the Consent agenda were as follows:

- a. Approval of the minutes from the [09/14/10](#) regular meeting.
- b. Approval of [claims](#).
- c. Surplus the safety deposit boxes acquired through the building purchase and authorize the City Manager to sell them through sealed bids.
- d. Surplus [various misc. furniture](#) items.
- e. Approve the appointments of Krista Cooper & Karen Feldhake to the Park Board.
- f. Approval to open a new checking account for Capital Improvement Sales Tax.
- g. Approval to open a new savings account to accept donations for a water/splash park.
- h. Approval of [REAP grant resolutions](#).
- i. Approval of the [Addendum](#) to the City of Harrah & Harrah Senior Center agreement, July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011.

With no items removed, Councilman Smith moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Jeney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Review, discussion and possible action regarding:

Additions to the Trails - Phase II Project – Scott Fairbairn, Howard-Fairbairn Site Design, addressed the Council concerning additions to the Trails project in an effort to satisfy the needs and concerns of the St. Theresa's Catholic Church leaders. Councilman Jeney made the motion to approve the changes including three (3) drives and a buffer between the trail and their parking lot for an estimated cost of \$27,000. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

(Councilman Barron arrived)

Treasurer's Report ([September 2010](#)) & [Sales/Franchise Taxes](#) – Councilman Smith moved to accept the treasurers report. Councilman Jeney seconded. Motion carried.

Adopt [Ordinance 2010-07](#) per the recommendation of the Planning Commission to rezone property owned by William Lisby III and adopt the emergency clause – Councilman Jeney made the motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Barron seconded. Motion carried. Councilman Jeney made the motion to adopt the emergency clause. Councilman Barron seconded. Motion carried.

OMAG recommendation to [deny a tort claim](#) submitted by Brian Servant – Councilman Jeney moved to follow the recommendation to deny the tort claim. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

OMAG Worker's Compensation reimbursement – Councilman Barron moved to accept the reimbursement. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Entrances to property located at 19625 NE 23rd (new city hall location) – Danny Trent – Trey Swan addressed the council concerning this item. After a lengthy discussion, the item was tabled with no action taken.

City Manager report:

- Attended the OML Conference.
- Meeting at EOCT regarding Economic Development Agreement. All the towns in Eastern Oklahoma County have agreed to participate except for Nicoma Park.
- The Carland Group called to let the City know that they have received their grant and will be building the senior housing on Harrah Road south of tenth.
- The bids for renovations at the new city hall came in higher than I had planned. After close examination public works has done the demolition and has started the construction of the new counter. I am very pleased with their willingness and hard work to create a attractive work environment. We will be utilizing our existing sign on city hall at the new location.
- The police have been preparing for their move into the present city hall.
- Most of the furniture has been purchased and came in well under budget.
- The committee met to discuss the TIF district and how it will look. They will be meeting with Mr. Owsley in the near future.
- Bob Dillion has completed our audit and will be doing the presentation at the next meeting.
- Attended the City Manager lunch.
- This Sunday will be the St. Teresa of Avila dedication of their family center. You have all been invited. Art and I will be attending.
- James Farris our intern has completed his work with us, we wish him the best.
- ACOG met regarding our request for Councils to appoint a non-elected official as a voting member on the ACOG board. They voted not to allow a non elected official to be a voting member. This was very disappointing since the federal Government said that they could allow it.
- Next week ODOT will start the overlaying of 23rd and Church.
- The County will be having a Public Hearing regarding the four lanes along Harrah rd. south from 29th to 44th.
- Fiesta at the senior center was a success. We are working with Cox to try to get internet to the senior center. We have some computers that we no longer use and have been declared surplus that we will be donating to the Center to use.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Duane Patterson, Vice-Mayor

Deborah Miner, City Clerk