

City of Harrah  
City Council Meeting  
October 20, 2011

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2011 in the City Council Room at 19625 NE 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Harrah, Oklahoma for a Regular Meeting. Upon roll call, those found to be present were Mayor Larry Fryar, Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson, Councilman Bill Lisby, Councilman Cass Smith & Councilman Tom Barron. Mayor Fryar led the salute to the flag. City Attorney Robert Thompson gave the invocation.

**Items on the Consent agenda were as follows:**

- a. Minutes from the [09/22/11](#), [09/27/11](#) and [10/11/11](#) special meeting minutes.
- b. Harrah Senior Center [September 2011](#) Activity Report
- c. Cash Fund [Estimate of Needs](#) – Street & Alley
- d. Acceptance of a 2008-2009 [Worker's Compensation reimbursement](#) in the amount of \$23,367.61.
- e. Cancel the November 17, 2011 City Council regular meeting and call a special meeting for Tuesday, November 22, 2011.
- f. Four (4) REAP Grant [Resolutions](#)
- g. Lion's Club Turkey Shoot – Gary Fitzgerald
- h. Treasurer's Report ([September 2011](#)), [Sale/Use/Franchise Tax](#).
- i. [Proclamation](#) in support of National American Indian Heritage Month.

With no items removed from the agenda, Vice-Mayor Patterson moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Barron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2011-07 providing for additional annexed areas into the City limits** – Vice-Mayor Patterson made the motion to annex into the Harrah city limits that area designated as # 6 (*the North 370' of the Northwest Quarter, Section 5, Township 11 North, Range 1 East*) on the [proposed annexation map](#). Councilman Lisby seconded. Motion carried. Vice-Mayor Patterson made the motion to adopt the emergency clause. Councilman Lisby seconded. Motion carried.

**City Manager report:**

- The Mayor will be meeting with the "Chairman" of the Kickapoo Tribe soon.
- The winners of the Name the Newsletter contest have been awarded gift certificates to one of our local restaurants.
- Cracks have been sealed in the Cappella Addition. Are now working on sealing the cracks in the trails at Heritage Park.
- Four (4) Building Permits have been issued: 2 – Residential and 2- Multi unit.
- Have been contacted by three (3) different businesses wanting to come to Harrah and are looking for sites.
- Doing our first "Employee Spotlight" in our Newsletter. This will be a monthly feature of the Newsletter where a City of Harrah employee is highlighted. The first employee to be featured is Gary Morgan our Police Chief!!
- We are ready to initiate the averaging of the sewer rates on this month's utility bills. This was approved at the September City Council meeting.
- We will be providing a new optional service to the customers called E-Bill. Just another way of keeping up with the trend of paperless bills and convenient online bill paying for our customers.
- We are preparing the boxes for the Employee Christmas Toy Collection. This special project will run thru November 30<sup>th</sup>! If you feel the desire to donate an unwrapped toy to this worthy project please be assured you will be blessed!
- Remember that City Hall will be closed Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> in observance of Veteran's Day.
- Received a letter from BancFirst informing us they will no longer waive our fees associated with processing our accounts. In the past they have waived hard charges for account activity. However, they tell us they can no longer do this due to current market conditions without reasonable compensation. Therefore, effective January 1, 2012 they will begin these charges. These charges will total more than \$10,000 annually. I will be seeking your advice on how to handle this. My recommendation is we do RFPs.
- Citizen [Thank You\(s\)](#)
- Claims [09/21/11 – 10/18/11](#)

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Larry Fryar, Mayor

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Deborah Miner, City Clerk