

**HARRAH CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 2015**

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday , December 17, 2015 in the City Council Room at 19625 NE 23rd Street, Harrah, Oklahoma for a Regular Meeting.

Roll Call, Flag Salute & Invocation.

At roll call the following members were present: Mayor Fryar, Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson, Councilor Bishop, Councilor Barron, and Councilor Martin. Others present: City Manager Earl Burson and City Attorney Robert Thompson. Absent: None. Dr. Underwood led the flag salute and Mr. Burson gave the invocation.

Approval of Consent agenda:

- a. Minutes from the [2015.11.10](#) special meeting.
- b. Harrah Senior_Monthly [Report](#) November 2015..
- c. Approve agreement with Aberdeen regarding collection of fines.
- d. Approve Master Service Agreement with OMES for online fees to state.
- e. Approve [Agreement](#) with Choctaw for emergency animal control services by the City of Harrah.

Discussion and possible action regarding items removed from the consent agenda. **None.**

Motion by Councilor Bishop to accept and approve the consent agenda. Second by Councilor Martin. Motion carried.

Aye: Bishop, Martin, Barron, Patterson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

Review, consideration and possible action regarding:

- a. Treasurer's Report for [November](#) & [Sales Tax, Use Tax, etc & Franchise Tax](#).

Patty Coleman, City Treasurer reported on the finances for November.

Motion by Councilor Martin to accept and approve the treasurer's report. Second by Vice-Mayor Patterson. Motion carried.

Aye: Martin, Patterson, Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- b. Presentation from Dr. Underwood from EOC Tech on bond issue.

Dr. Underwood from Eastern Oklahoma County Tech addressed the council on the importance of voting for approval of the bond issue coming up. Dr. Underwood stated that the bond benefits all the Eastern Oklahoma County Schools, including Harrah Public Schools.

- c. Presentation of Harrah's Hometown Hero's.

Councilor Martin presented Jackson Lemons, Sam Dozier, and Clay Goad with Hometown Hero Certificates for going above and beyond by helping a Veteran with his lawn. Erich Eden was honored for being named a National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalist. Not present was Scout Troop #65 for their help at the Market in the Park and Pig's in the Park event.

- d. Approve [surplus items](#) for the police department.

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve the request from the police department to declare items on the attached list as surplus. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Aye: Barron, Bishop, Martin, Patteson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- e. Approve [Resolution No. 12172015CC](#) Notice of Election.

Motion by Councilor Martin to approve Resolution No. 121720105CC Notice of Election for Ward 2 and Ward 4. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Martin, Barron, Bishop, Patterson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- f. Consideration and possible action with respect to [Resolution No. 12172015CC2](#) of the City of Harrah, Oklahoma (the City) approving and authorizing the Harrah Tax Increment Finance Authority (the Authority), the City an HX4, LLC; approving and authorizing the execution of a security agreement by and between the Authority and the City pertaining to the Tax Increment revenues; approving the use of assistance in development financing; and containing other provisions relating thereto.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to approve Resolution No. 12172015CC2 authorizing the Harrah Tax Increment Finance Authority, the City an HX4, LLC approving and authorizing the execution of a security agreement by and between the Authority and the City pertaining to the Tax Increment revenues; approving the use of assistance in development financing; and containing other provisions relating hereto. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Aye: Patterson, Bishop, Barron, Martin, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- g. Consideration and possible action declaring a Moratorium for granting plats of new subdivisions in the area of the new turnpike corridor for a period of one year, per request of the [Oklahoma Turnpike Authority](#). **No action.**
- h. Approve Resolution No. 12172015CC3 pertaining to the proposed turnpike.

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve Resolution No. 12172015CC3 pertaining to proposed Turnpike. Second by Vice-Mayor Patterson. Motion carried.

Aye: Barron, Patterson, Bishop, Martin, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

The Council requested the City Manager to put together a letter to the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority addressing the cities wishes concerning the placement of the turnpike. The council would like to see the turnpike east of Triple X and West of Luther. Places to avoid

cemeteries, schools, and the main town of Harrah.

- i. Approve [Ordinance No. 2015-25](#) re-zoning property at 581 N. Peebly Rd. from A-1 General Agricultural District to A-2 Suburban District at the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Motion by Councilor Martin to approve Ordinance No. 2015-25 re-zoning property at 581 N. Peebly Rd. from A-1 General Agricultural District to A-2 Suburban District at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Aye: Martin, Bishop, Barron, Patterson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- j. Approve emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2015-25.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2015-25. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Patterson, Barron, Bishop, Martin, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- k. Approve Lot-Split in the PUD of Fall Creek Addition at the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to approve Lot-Split in the PUD of Fall Creek Addition at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Aye: Patterson, Bishop, Barron, Martin, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- l. Approve Ordinance No. 2015-26 collection of fines.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to approve Ordinance No. 2015-26 collection of fines. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Patterson, Barron, Bishop, Martin, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- m. Approve emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2015-26.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to approve emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2015-26. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Patterson, Barron, Bishop, Martin, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- n. Re-appointment of Board of Adjustment Members.

Mayor Fryar recommends re-appointment of Mark Mathews and Jerry Janowick to the Board of Adjustments for a three year term.

Motion by Councilor Martin to approve recommendation from the mayor and re-appoint Mark

Mathews and Jerry Janowick to the Board of Adjustments for a three year term. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Aye: Martin, Bishop, Barron, Patterson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

o. Mayor's appointment of Park Board members. **None at this time.**

p. **Executive Session**: Requested under the provisions of 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(1) to discuss the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of Ricky Hayes, (2) in open session taking action as appropriate based on the discussion in executive session.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to enter into Executive Session. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Aye: Patterson, Bishop, Barron, Martin, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

The Harrah City Council entered into Executive session at 8:02 p.m.

q. **Executive session**: Requested under the provisions of: 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (C)(10) a request for executive session for the purpose of conferring on the matters pertaining to economic development including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to locate within the City of Harrah because public disclosure of the matter to be discussed would interfere with the development of products or services and would violate the confidentiality of the business. (2) in open session taking action as appropriate based on the discussion in executive session.

The Harrah City Council reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

r. Any action necessary following the executive session. **There was no action in Executive Session.**

Comments:

a. City Manager Report, [Claims Report](#)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

12-17-15

· **Glad to be back after my surgery!! Moving a little slow but hope to be up to speed soon!**

· **Took Jerry Chipman to Cattleman's Restaurant to celebrate his 30th anniversary with the City of Harrah. Joe Morgan enjoyed the celebration lunch as well!**

· **Park Board meeting was held on December 3rd. Those interested in being on the Board were present!**

· **Attended Bill Knox's funeral! The First Baptist Church was packed with people who knew and loved Bill!!**

- **Attended ACOG meetings on December 10th!!**
- **Will be attending an E.O.C. Partnership meeting on December 16th!**
- **Don't forget to RSVP if you plan on attending the City Employees Christmas Breakfast on December 23th at 9:00 am at JB's Steakhouse!!**
- **City Hall will be closed for the Christmas holiday Thursday and Friday, December 24th and 25th!!**
- **Planning a special Highway Dedication honoring Brian Maughan, District 2 County Commissioner for his efforts in the Harrah Road widening project. Will keep you posted when the date has been decided.**
- **Hope you are well on the way to completing your Christmas shopping!!! Have a great week!!**
- b. City Council members
 - Vice-Mayor Patterson: Acknowledged the Chamber and their support of shopping local. Merry Christmas.
 - Councilor Bishop: Kim said the new meter system is great!!
 - Councilor Barron: Great job by the Police and Chamber (Brandy and Michele) for giving out money for those in need.
 - Councilor Martin: Atta Boys for the Police and Churches for their donations and to the Chamber as well.
- c. Mayor: Thanked the Historical Society for naming the street after Bill Knox. Merry Christmas.
- d. City Attorney; Nothing.
- e. Staff –[Fire Department Report](#), [Police Dept1](#)

Consideration of new business, if any, which has arisen since the posting of the agenda, which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the posting of the agenda. [25 O.S. Section 311.9]

Citizen's Participation

Adjournment

The meeting of the Harrah City Council adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk