

City of Harrah
City Council Meeting
January 19, 2012

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2012 in the City Council Room at 19625 NE 23rd Street, Harrah, Oklahoma for a Regular Meeting. Upon roll call, those found to be present were, Mayor Larry Fryar, Councilman Bill Lisby, Councilman Cass Smith & Councilman Tom Barron. Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson arrived a short while later. Councilman Barron led the salute to the flag. City Manager Earl Burson gave the invocation.

Items on the Consent agenda were as follows:

- a. Minutes from the [12/15/2011](#) regular meeting.
- b. [Cash Fund Estimate of Needs](#) for the quarter ending December 31, 2011.
- c. Harrah Senior Center [December 2011 Activity Report](#).
- d. Appoint Gage Beavers to the Park Board.
- e. [Updated Drug Policy](#) to coincide with changes in Oklahoma State Statutes.
- f. Authorize the [Request for Proposals \(RFP\)](#) for banking services.
- g. Submission of a Land & Water Conservation 50/50 Grant application to the Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department for funding to improve the restroom facilities at Lions Park.

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

Treasurer's Report (December 2011), Sale/Use/Franchise Tax – No action was taken on this item.

Agreement with PDG, Inc. (Splash Pad Design) – Jim Crosby – Councilman Smith made the motion to approve the agreement with PDG, Inc. for the splash pad design. Councilman Barron seconded. Motion carried.

Purchase of a new fire truck – Dennis with Conrad Fire – Councilman Lisby made the motion to approve the purchase of the new fire truck subject to staff and legal review of the paperwork. Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Amend Retail Attractions Economic Development Contract – No action was taken on this item.

Executive Session – Requested under the provisions of: 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(1) to discuss the contract of Earl Burson, City Manager – Councilman Smith made the motion to go into executive session. Vice-Mayor Patterson seconded. Motion carried.

Any action required as a result of Executive Session – Councilman Smith made the motion to direct the City Attorney to proceed with the preparation of the City Manager's contract as discussed in Executive Session. Councilman Barron seconded. Motion carried.

City Manager report:

- Attended City Managers Conference in Stillwater.
- Attended Eastern Oklahoma County Partnership Board of Directors Retreat on Monday, MLK Day. Discussed Branding, Industrial Rail Service, and development of industrial sites.
- Water line extension is boring under Harrah Road and getting close to half-way point.
- We continue to work with FEMA and residents on Straight Street regarding the flood plain.
- Carland Group is in the process of clearing for Senior Housing south of 10th on Harrah Road.
- We have had two Police Officers resign.
- County Commission people have agreed to help clear Industrial Park.
- Friends of the Park is working to complete their application for 501C3 IRS status as well as the upcoming Concert series and Movie Night in the Park.

- We have had several make contact regarding new businesses in Harrah.
- November and December saw the issuing of over 40 building permits.
- Had a Public Hearing that is required for applying for a L&WCF Grant. The consensus was that the bathrooms in Lions Park were a priority. The grant application will be going out shortly.
- Having problems at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and with the Lift Station on 29th. Both will be repaired soon.
- The creek clearing behind Heritage Park is going great and looking so much better.
- Fixing some things at Senior Housing. County to assist in placing tin horn.
- Going to have some special training on Sexual Harassment for the Supervisors given by OMAG. Also will have a Hazard Mitigation meeting on Tuesday!
- I'm sorry to advise you that little Logan Luka, our honorary Police Officer, passed away. His funeral was held January 14th .
- Dana Morrow with the Metro Library Association wants the Summer Arts Program for Children to be held at City Hall. We agreed for this to take place this Summer. More info will follow.
- Going to be having Film with the Stars beginning in May at Heritage Park. Will be showing a variety of films. The individual putting this is expending about \$10,000 for equipment, etc. and will gladly accept donations.
- Harrah Live 2012 concert series is coming together. Now that the Holidays are over hopefully performers will be eager to fill their 2012 schedule, responding quickly to our inquiries!
- Hope your Christmas was wonderful and that the New Year will be blessed with happiness, health and prosperity.
- Claims for [12/14/11-01/18/12](#)

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Larry Fryar, Mayor

Deborah Miner, City Clerk