

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 21, 2015**

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 in the City Council Room at 19625 NE 23rd Street, Harrah, Oklahoma for a Special Meeting.

Roll Call, Flag Salute & Invocation.

At roll call the following members of the Harrah City Council were present: Mayor Larry Fryar, Councilor Kim Bishop, Councilor Tom Barron. Others present: City Attorney Robert Thompson and City Manager Earl Burson. Absent: Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson and Sammy Martin. Zane Florez led the flag salute and Mr. Burson gave the invocation. Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson arrived at 7:25 p.m.

Approval of Consent agenda:

- a. Minutes from the [2015.06.18](#) special meeting.
- b. Harrah Senior Monthly [Report June 2015](#).
- c. Approve Invoice [#2026679](#) Myers Engineers for Water Well Projects.
- d. Approve first quarter [Street & Alley Funds](#) Estimate of Needs and Requests for Appropriations
- e. Approve second quarter [Street & Alley Funds](#) Estimate of Needs and Requests for Appropriations.

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

Aye: Barron, Bishop and Fryar.

Nay: None.

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

Review, consideration and possible action regarding:

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

Motion by Councilor Bishop to accept and approve the treasurer's report. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- b. Approve Item(s) as surplus. (Police Department)
[K-9 Containment Unit for 2006 Chrysler-Unit 506](#)

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve the K-9 Unit for 2006 Chrysler-Unit 506 as surplus by the Police Department. Second by Councilor Bishop.

Aye: Barron, Bishop, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- c. Change policy regarding longevity pay disbursement.

Vice-Mayor Patterson requested that discussion on the wording for the longevity pay be on the agenda to address concerns about giving false hope to employees by approving the pay before the final financials have shown the pay will be received and then would be paid on or before the 15th day of August.

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve re-wording the policy on longevity pay for employees if qualifications have been met. Second by Councilor Bishop.

Aye: Barron, Bishop, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- d. Approve [Ordinance No. 2015-16](#) re-zone request by Randy Beller on behalf of the 2012 Beller Family Trust at 2933, 2945 S. Pottawatomie Road and 21933 S.E. 29th Street from A-1 General Agriculture District to A-2 Suburban District at the request of the Planning Commission.

Motion by Councilor Bishop to approve Ordinance No. 2015-16 re-zoning property on behalf of the 2012 Beller Trust at 2933, 2945 S. Pottawatomie Rd. and 21933 S.E. 29th Street from A-1 General Agriculture District to A-2 Suburban District at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- e. Approve emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2015-16.

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2015-16. Second by Councilor Bishop.

Aye: Barron, Bishop, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- f. Approve final plat at the corner of Tim Holt and N.E. 10th at the request of the Planning Commission

Discussion with the developer, Kyle Isbell regarding the housing that would be placed on the properties assured the council it was not native american, low income, or rental property.

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve the final plat for at the corner of Tim Holt and N.E. 10th at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Second by Councilor Bishop.

Aye: Barron and Fryar.

Nay: None.

Abstain: Bishop due to a conflict of interest.

Councilor Bishop recanted her abstention and re-voted the item.

Aye: Barron, Bishop, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

g. Mayor's (re)-appointment of Park Board. Tabled.

h. 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 any individual salaried public officer or employee. **Tabled.**

i. 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. **Nothing.**

Comments:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

JULY 21, 2015

- Had a telephone conference with FEMA, Jerry Clark and Dave Patterson regarding the Straight Street flood plain problem. Still comes down to a very expensive procedure requiring a LOMR that will require technical data. Will explain in more detail at the meeting.
- Attended the City Managers Association of Oklahoma Summer Conference last week in Claremore! It was an excellent conference. I was one of the speakers at a session.
- The dressing up of the sewer line repair in Fall Creek is complete. Public Works continues to water the sod. The replacement of the residents' fences taken down for this repair will be done by the residents.
- EOC Partnership will have a meeting on August 4th regarding needed water concern resolutions. Katie Miller has been asked to compile answers to the questions that were handed out to participants and determine possible cost.
- Have made offers to Police Officer and Administrative Assistant for Police Department applicants and are now doing the final testing.
- Bo Bedford, our Inspector, advised that last month had a lot of exciting things happening. Harrah Land LLC has started work on Phase III of the Fall Creek Addition and we have issued 17 new construction permits for that addition. We have issued a total of 113 permits and licenses for the month of June. The Inspection Department is in the process of reviewing plans for the new Dollar General at Britton and N. Harrah Road and 2 other new house construction sites.
- **Reminder –** The performance scheduled for this Saturday night at Heritage Park, Oklahoma Shakespeare, has been canceled. The next Harrah Live performance, Edgar Cruz, is August 1, 2015 at 8:00 pm.
- The next movie at the Park is The Boxtrolls on August 7th.

- This Friday's Neighborhood Arts – Children's Program is Cimarron Opera at 10:30 am. If you have time come enjoy the performance, a bag of popcorn and most of all the audience of very enthusiastic children.
- The Fire Department tanker truck that had the front end problem has been repaired.
- Public Works Department is doing a lot of mowing.
- Tim Kyle has written several citations for nuisances and is getting people to clean up their property. He has written a citation to the Friendly Store. The store has been shut down by the Tax Commission. I understand the owner was in this weekend removing all items from the store.
- Fire Station #1's air conditioning is out. Neal is looking into getting it repaired or replaced.
- Neal Young met with Midwest Ambulance who is desirous of moving their operation back to the Fire Station. Has inquired about the old bus barn but it has been made into batting cages. We may have an issue on how to accommodate our fire equipment and at the same time house Midwest City Ambulance service.

City Council members

Bishop: Nothing

Barron: Nothing

Patterson: Nothing

Mayor: Praise for keeping things mowed and cleaned-up

City Attorney: Items from the police station that had been ceased will be heard in District Court on July 30th.

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 7:55 p.m.

Mayor Larry Fryar

City Clerk Cindy Pollard