

**HARRAH CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2016**

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 18, 2016 at City Hall, 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 Larry Fryar, Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson, Councilor Tom Barron, Councilor Kim Bishop, and Councilor Joe Kreke. Absent: None. Also present were City Manager Earl Burson and City Attorney Robert Thompson. City Manager Earl Burson led the flag salute and City Attorney Robert Thompson gave the invocation.

Approval of Consent agenda:

- a. Minutes from the [2016.07.21](#) regular meeting.
- b. Harrah Senior Monthly [Report](#) July 2016.
- c. Re-New [Lease Agreement](#) with Oklahoma County Commissioners on property in the Industrial Park.
- d. Re-New [General Mutual Cooperation Agreement](#) with Board of County Commisisoners of Oklahoma County.
- e. Re-New [Agreement](#) with Harrah Senior Center.
- f. Re-new [Treasurer's Bond](#) for Patty Coleman.
- g. Approve payment to the TIF \$9089.01.

Councilor Kreke asked that items C&D be removed from the consent agenda.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to accept and approve the consent agenda items A, B, E, F, and G. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Yay: Patterson, Bishop, Barron, Kreke, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

Discussion and possible action regarding items removed from the consent agenda.

Councilor Kreke asked items C & D be removed for discussion. Councilor Kreke's concerns with the Lease Agreement and the General Mutual Cooperation Agreement was what the city was gaining from the county by the two agreements. The Lease Agreement is \$1 for use of property and storing equipment and the Mutual Cooperation Agreement is not clear on what the county provides to the city in materials and labor. City Attorney Robert Thompson stated he would visit with the Assistant District Attorney for more clarity regarding the agreements.

This item was tabled.

Review, consideration and possible action regarding:

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

Patty Coleman, City Treasurer reported on current city financials and sales and use taxes. Motion by Councilor Bishop to accept and approve the treasurer's report. Second by Councilor Kreke. Motion carried.

Yay: Bishop, Kreke, Barron, Patterson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- b. Open Public Hearing: Discussion on recommendation from Abatement Board on Properties at:

20639 Prairie Hills

20679 NE 10th

134 Echo Ln.

Close Public Hearing and take action on properties at

20639 Prairie Hills

20679 NE 10th St

134 Echo Ln.

Mayor Fryar opened the public hearing regarding the above mentioned properties. No one was present for the public hearing. Mayor Fryar closed the public hearing and entertained a motion to accept the recommendation of the Abatement Board to abate the following properties:

20639 Prairie Hills

20679 NE 10th St.

134 Echo Ln.

Motion by Councilor Barron to accept the recommendation of the Abatement Board to abate the properties. Second by Vice-Mayor Patterson. Motion carried.

Yay: Barron, Patterson, Bishop, Kreke, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- c. Re-Appoint Kim Patterson to the Metropolitan Library Commission.

Motion by Councilor Kreke to re-appoint Kim Patterson to the Metropolitan Library Commission. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Yay: Kreke, Bishop, Barron, Patterson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- d. Approve [purchase of fire truck](#).

Dewayne Jenkins reported to the council \$45,000 was budgeted for a brush truck. The truck will cost approximately \$26,974.00 and added equipment will make a total of \$45,000.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Patterson to approve the purchase of a fire truck. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.

Yay: Patterson, Barron, Bishop, Kreke, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- e. Approve OU College of Architecture on recommendation of the Planning Commission on outlining plans and working towards a comprehensive plan for future growth in the City of Harrah.

The City Council suggested that the city manager move forward with a propped contract to be brought back for the council's approval.

- f. Approve date for Halloween.

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve Monday, October 13, 2016 as Halloween in Harrah. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Yay: Barron, Bishop, Kreke, Paterson, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- g. Discussion/action on moving meeting dates in September and October.

The special meeting dates for September and October will be Thursday, September 22, 2016 and Thursday, October 27, 2016.

- h. **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.
- i. Any action necessary following the executive session.

Comments: [City Manager Report](#), Misc. Correspondence, [Claims Report](#)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT 8-18-16

- **Meeting with Tim Gatz, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, at his office on August 16th. Plans are still being formulated for the Turnpike. As you are aware the County has already requested that they buy easement for frontage roads in the County. If we would like for them to consider the same we would need to do a Resolution. This does not mean that they will do the frontage roads but they will take it into consideration as they are drawing up their final plans.**
- **Planning Commission met last week discussing an Ordinance regarding storm shelter and other items. Wiley will continue to work on the Storm Shelter Ordinance and as soon as they have approved something we will forward it to Council.**
- **The next Harrah Live concert at Heritage Park August 20th at 8:00 pm at which time Edgar Cruz and the 3 Amigos will perform!!! Bring your chairs, having something cold to drink and enjoy this long time favorite!!**
- **Tim Hight, Eastern Oklahoma Economic Development Partnership (EOC Partnership) is moving out of his temporary office, our Conference Room, into their new office. Their Open House is scheduled for August 25th from 4:00 – 7:00 pm.**
- **Reminder – On September 24th the Senior Citizen Center Auction will be held. This is always a fun time and an opportunity to help our Senior Citizens Center.**
- **Advertising for a Building Code Inspector and Part Time Administrative Assistant for the Police Department.**

- Tim Kyle has returned after attending Animal Control School in Shawnee last week. He is playing catch up with all of the tall grass and derelict vehicles and property.
- Public Works is in the process of tearing down the house at 2010 Canadian. The Abatement Board will meet here tomorrow on several properties that have been abated and several others that are properties new to the Abatement Board in need of being cleaned up. Several tickets had to be issued for non-compliance weeds and trash this past week.
- On August 5th and 6th Corporal Williams and K9 Blecky competed in the 1st annual Narcotic K9 competition hosted by Police K9 Solutions at Shawnee Firelake Arena. In this competition K9 Blecky competed against 15 other K9 teams from across the state. K9 Blecky took 2nd place in this competition in which Corporal Williams and K9 Blecky were required to find as many Narcotics in an area the size of a basketball court in a 3 minute timeframe. Corporal Williams and K9 Blecky were one narcotic find behind the winner of the competition despite being the youngest dog at the competition. K9 Blecky performed well at this competition in which other agency heads, handlers, and vendors were impressed by his exceptional body of work.
- Don't forget Harrah Day is coming up the second Saturday in September.
- The Harrah Day Pageant is Saturday, August 27th at which time Tiny Tots, Princess and King and Queen will be crowned.
- Have a great week and enjoy a little cooler weather!!!!

City Council members

Councilor Bishop: Thank you to the police and code enforcement for helping out in her neighborhood.

Councilor Barron: Nothing.

Vice-Mayor Patterson: Thank you to the city staff for cards and well wishes during a trying time.

Mayor: Thank you to city staff for their work and commitment to the city.

City Attorney: Congratulations to K-9 on his 2nd place finish in the first annual Narcotic K9 competition.

Staff –[Fire Department Report](#), [Police Dept1](#), **Code Enforcement Weekly Report**

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]

7. Citizen's Participation: Public comments on city related agenda items or non-agenda items. In accordance with State Law, the City Council and City Staff are not allowed to respond to any comments made. Preference will be given to Harrah Residents and **NO** formal action will be taken. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes for a total of 15 minutes. You must sign in with the City Clerk 10 minutes prior to the meeting to be recognized with name, address, and phone number. Members of the audience are encouraged to hold their comments to this portion of the agenda. **No comments shall be made during the business portion of the meeting.**

8. Adjournment

The meeting of the Harrah City Council adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Larry Fryar

City Clerk, Cindy Pollard