

**CITY OF HARRAH
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 21, 2017**

The City Council for City the of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 21, 2017 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, Councilor Kim Bishop, and Councilor Tom Barron. Absent: Vice-Mayor Duane Patterson and Councilor Joe Kreke. Others present: City Manager Earl Burson, City Attorney Robert Thompson, City Auditor Bob Dillion, and Pastor Jonathan . City Auditor Bob Dillion led the flag salute and Pastor Jonathan gave the invocation.

Approval of Consent agenda:

- a. Minutes from the [2017.11.16](#) Regular Meeting.
- b. Harrah Senior [Monthly Report](#) November 2017.
- c. Approve payment for TIF \$5610.96

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

Aye: Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

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

Review, consideration and possible action regarding:

- a. [2016-2017](#) Audit Findings. (Bob Dillion)

Auditor Bob Dillion reported on the 2016-2017 audit. Mr. Dillion stated his findings were that of an unqualified opinion which in his professional opinion the city of Harrah is in good standings financially.

- b. Treasurer's Report for [November: Sales Tax, Use Tax, etc, and Franchise Tax.](#)

City Treasurer, Patty Coleman reported on the current finances for the year. 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.

- c. Re-new [Animal Welfare Agreement](#) with Midwest City.

Motion by Councilor Barron to approve the Animal Welfare Agreement with Midwest City. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.

Aye: Barron, Bishop, and Fryar.

Nay: None.

- d. Discussion on radio issues with the county.

Councilor Bishop and Police Chief Gary Morgan addressed the council regarding the current situation with the county regarding radio calls. Chief Morgan said that MWC was interested in entering into an agreement with the City of Harrah and surrounding towns. Councilor Bishop also added that at a current meeting with ACOG the budget indicated a large sum of money to help with equipment and software for the cities. Councilor Bishop and Chief Morgan will follow-up on this issue and report back to the council.

- e. **Executive Session: Discussion and possible action** on request 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. **None.**
- f. Any action necessary following the executive session. **None.**

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

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT 12-21-17

- Spoke to Senator Sharp regarding possible funding for very badly needed spotlight at the intersection of Hwy 62/23rd/Church Avenue. Have submitted an e-mail and follow-up letter to him regarding this intersection this is very badly congested with commuter cars, as many as twenty (20) at a time, and that this funding would alleviate the congestion and safety concerns. Hoping this comes to pass!!!
- The new Fire Truck has been ordered.
- Have completed hauling sludge from the WWTP for the year.
- Reminder that Council meeting is December 21, 2017
- Remember that Employees Christmas Breakfast is December 22nd at Myer's Sports Grill. Have you told Sue your plans to attend?
- January 3rd was the date that the Oklahoma County Assessor was to be here at City Hall to provide assistance to those filing their 2018 Personal Property return for farm equipment and livestock. We have been advised that they have to change that date to January 10th!
- Continue to work with the Turnpike and as it continues to progress as they purchase right-of-way. Plans are proceeding for construction to start next year. The

City of Harrah has sent in the application for the required permit to move our water main out of the path of the new Turnpike. The City is working with ODOT, Turnpike and County to assure we have access roads on both side of the Turnpike. There will be 3 exits in Harrah city limits. One at 23rd, Reno and 29th. The City is getting a lot of interest from developers regarding retail and hotels.

- **Work continues on the development of a Comprehensive Plan for Harrah and three (3) other communities. The Advisory Committee meets on a regular basis with Freese and Nichols.**

- **Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous and healthy New Year!!**

City Council members:

Councilor Bishop: **Rode in the Christmas parade and attended the Fireman's Christmas Party.**

Councilor Barron: **Merry Christmas and the park looked really nice.**

Mayor: **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. The park looked fantastic, what I have been waiting for a lit up park for Christmas.**

City Attorney: **Police cars are approved for surplus. Get titles and add to next agenda.**

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

EOC Report-Councilor Joe Kreke: None.

ACOG Report-Councilor Bishop: Reported on radio issues

Chamber Report-Brandy McKay: Busy Christmas handing out money and ribbon cuttings

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 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 7:50 p.m.

Mayor Larry Fryar

City Clerk Cindy Pollard