

**CITY OF HARRAH  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 16, 2017**

The City Council for City the of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 16, 2017 at City Hall, at 19625 NE 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Harrah, Oklahoma for a Regular Meeting.

Roll Call, Flag Salute & Invocation.

At roll call the following members were present: Mayor Larry Fryar, Councilor Bishop, and Councilor Barron. Absent: Vice-Mayor Patterson and Councilor Kreke. Others present: City Manager Earl Burson and City Attorney Robert Thompson. Brandy McKay led the flag salute and Justin Dunn led the invocation.

Approval of Consent agenda:

- a. Minutes from the [2017.02.23](#) Special Meeting.
- b. Harrah [Senior Monthly Report](#) February 2017.
- c. Approve payment for \$8,252.71 TIF reimbursement.
- d. Re-new Concession Contract with Terry Sanchez for 2017-2018.

**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. Special Presentations by the Mayor.

**The mayor recognized each of the Park Board and the Friends of the Park for all their efforts in making Harrah parks family friendly and to provide many different events to bring people to Harrah.**

- b. [Community Garden](#) presentation.

**William Bredemeyer presented to the council the possibility of a community garden for Harrah with a layout to show how it would look when completed. Mr. Bredemeyer asked the council about using the city property vacant on Tim Holt and Main for the garden.**

**Motion by Councilor Bishop to allow the Park Board to use the property for the garden. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.  
Nay: None.**

- c. Presentation from Tim Hight. (EOC)

**Tim Hight, EOC reported on the status of businesses locating to Harrah and what demographics the city has to get entice them to our community.**

- d. Treasurer's [Report for February & Sales Tax, Use Tax, etc. and Franchise Tax.](#)

**Patty Coleman, City Treasurer reported on the current finances of the city.**

**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.**

- e. **Executive Session: Consideration and possible** action regarding conflict over obstruction easement at Maxey Drive by Mr. Powers requested under the provisions of 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(4)
- f. **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.

**Motion by Councilor Barron to enter into executive session for items 4e and 4f. Second by Councilor Bishop. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.**

**Nay: None.**

**The Harrah City Council entered into executive session at 7:52 p.m. and reconvened at 8:18 p.m**

- g. Any action necessary following the executive session.

**Motion by Councilor Bishop to direct city manager to proceed as directed in executive session for item 4E. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.**

**Nay: None.**

**Motion by Councilor Bishop to direct city manager to proceed as directed in executive session for item 4F. Second by Councilor Barron. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Bishop, Barron, and Fryar.**

**Nay: None.**

**Comments:City Manager Report, Misc. Correspondence, Claims Report**

## CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

### 3-16-17

- Attended the OMAG Conference in Orlando Florida last week!! Great conference and the weather was wonderful!
- The Public Works new maintenance barn is finished!
- The well houses have both had their roofs poured and the MIOX units are being installed. OG&E will be starting to run the electric to the wells this week.
- The new exercise equipment at Heritage Park is complete and a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held last Saturday with the Rotary Club present.
- Attended an EOC Partnership meeting on 2-22-17 and have asked Tim Hight to give an update at the March Council meeting.
- Quote for fencing on the basketball courts was \$7,500. This is an item that has not been budgeted for. Had a conversation with the Park Board. The Park Board does not want fencing put up around the basketball courts.
- The Disk Golf Tournament was held with over 100 participating.
- Attended the City Managers Luncheon at ACOG with the new Choctaw City Manager, Ed Brown.
- Police car down with mechanical problems that was damaged by flooding during heavy rains has been totaled by OMAG. Staff will be deciding whether to total and keep the car or take the car back and be paid for salvage value. Gary believes the car can be repaired for minimum cost.
- Harrah Live concert series and Movies in the Park has been finalized and cards with the dates and movie/performer are available at City Hall
- Will be meeting with the FOP on the 22<sup>nd</sup>!!
- Will be attending a Meet and Greet for the new Choctaw City Manager on the 16<sup>th</sup> at the Choctaw Golf Course from 4:00 – 7:00 pm.
- Chamber of Commerce and City Hall are working together to make a list of all available properties, vacant land and buildings, for an inventory of economic development properties.
- We have obtained a table for the Chamber of Commerce Auction on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know if you will be attending.
- **Spring is coming on the 20<sup>th</sup>!!! Hope the ups and downs of the temperature now will give way to warm temperatures every day!! Have a great weekend!!**

City Council members

**Councilor Bishop:** Informed the council about inquiring to ACOG what procedures

OTA would follow to have runoff water safe during the construction.

**Councilor Barron:** None.

**Mayor:** None.

**City Attorney:** None.

Staff –Fire Department Report, Police Dept1, **Code Enforcement Weekly Report**

**EOC Report-Councilor Joe Kreke**

**ACOG Report-Councilor Bishop**

**Chamber Report-Brandy McKay**

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 8:18 p.m.**

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**Mayor Larry Fryar**

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**City Clerk Cindy Pollard**