

**CITY OF HARRAH
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 21, 2021**

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 21, 2021 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 Danny Trent, Vice-Mayor Cass Smith, Councilor Tom Barron, Councilor Paul Wiegert, and Councilor Chris Lally. Absent: None. Joe Kreke led the flag salute and Pastor Doug gave the invocation. Others present are City Manager Clayton Lucas and City Attorney Robert Thompson.

Approval of the consent agenda:

- a. Oklahoma County Emergency Management [Agreement](#) with the City of Harrah.
- b. Re-new Jail Services [Agreement](#) with Oklahoma County and the City of Harrah.
- c. Amended minutes from the [2021.05.17](#) Regular Meeting.

Motion by Wiegert to accept and approve the consent agenda. Second by Smith. Motion carried.

**Aye: Wiegert, Smith, Barron, Lally, and Trent.
Nay: None.**

Review, consideration and possible action regarding:

- a. Discussion and possible action on paving/repairing roads turnpike. (Mayor)

Representatives from the OTA brought information regarding the roads that need repaired from the construction of the turnpike being built. Those roads are Luther, Dobbs, and Peebly. The Turnpike Authority estimated the cost to be approximately \$599,625.00 and the City of Harrah would be responsible for \$300,000 for their share of the repairs.

- b. Treasurer [Report: Sales & Use Tax, Franchise Taxes, Revenues & Expenditures](#).
(Brandy Ruff)

City Treasurer Brandy Ruff reported on the status of the city's finances for the month of May.

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

**Aye: Barron, Lally, Wiegert, Smith, and Trent.
Nay: None.**

- c. Discussion and possible action to adopt [Ordinance No. 2021-9](#) of the Harrah City

Motion Smith to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-9 amending Section 12-371(C)(1) and amending Ordinance No. 2017-4 of September 2018. Second by Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Smith, Barron, Wiegert, Lally, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- d. Discussion and possible action to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-9.

Motion by Smith to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-9. Second by Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Smith, Barron, Wiegert, Lally, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- e. Discussion and possible action to approve Specific Use Agreement between the City of Harrah/Harrah Public Works Authority and the Oklahoma Board of County Commissioners for the repair of Luther Rd. ([Agreement](#), [Map](#), [Scope of Work](#)). (Clayton)

Motion by Smith to authorize the mayor to sign the Specific Use Agreement between the Oklahoma County and the City of Harrah to repair the road at Luther and NE 23rd St. Second by Lally. Motion carried.

Aye: Smith, Lally, Barron, Wiegert, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- f. Discussion as to whether the city can allow a subdivision to tie into our sewer lines. (Mayor)

This item was tabled for the purpose of getting plans to bring back at a later date.

- g. Discussion and possible action on PA System. (Mayor)

Mayor Trent requested a PA System for city hall.

Motion by Smith to get a PA system with projection screen system for city hall. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.

Aye: Smith, Wiegert, Barron, Lally, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- h. Discussion and possible action on signs to advertise council meetings. (Mayor)

Mayor Trent requested signs to be put out throughout the City of Harrah advertising council meeting dates.

Motion Wiegert to approve purchase signs to put out advertising council meetings. Second by Lally. Motion carried.

Aye: Wiegert, Lally, Barron, Smith, and Trent.

- i. Discussion and possible action on keeping the pavilion unlocked. (Mayor)

This item was tabled until the July meeting.

- j. Discussion and possible action on agenda. (Mayor)

Mayor Trent is requesting a draft agenda be sent out on the Wednesday before council meeting and final agenda on Thursday at noon.

Motion by Barron to approve the request of the mayor for a draft agenda on Wednesday and final agenda Thursday at noon. Second by Smith.

Aye: Barron, Smith, Wiegert, Lally, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- k. Discussion and possible action plan for Limb pick-up. (Mayor)

The mayor discussed the possibility of a bulk rate charge by yardage or tonnage as opposed to the hourly rate and the pick up would be supervised by city employee. Jerry stated Public works is short staffed as of right now with the regular summer schedule and would be hard pressed to lose one employee to managing limb pick up.

- l. Discussion and possible action to award/reject bid for limb pick-up.

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| 1. Firestorm Enterprise, LLC | \$250.00 PER HOUR |
| 2. HARRAH DISPOSAL | \$150.00 PER HOUR |

Motion by Barron to split the remaining limb pick up between both bidder's to get done faster and giving them direction on what areas to pick up. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.

Aye: Barron, Wiegert, Lally, Smith, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- m. Discussion and possible action to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve/deny revised [PUD](#) for River Mist.

Tabled due to lack of quorum for the Planning Commission meeting.

- n. Discussion and possible action to approve Juneteenth as a Federal holiday and giving employees an opportunity to participate in the new holiday by adding to the personnel handbook.

Motion by Smith to approve Juneteenth as a Federal Holiday for city employees and adding to the personnel handbook and giving employees July 2, 2021 off to participate in the new holiday for 2021. Second by Lally. Motion carried.

Aye: Smith, Lally, Barron, Wiegert, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- o. Discussion and possible action to approve [Resolution No. 20210621CC/HPWA](#) giving Chris Lally permission to seek a position on the OkMRF Board of Trustees.

Motion by Smith to approve Resolution No. 20210621CC/HPWA giving Councilor/Trustee Chris Lally permission to seek a position on the OkMRF Board of Trustees. Second by Barron. Motion carried.

Aye: Smith, Barron, Wiegert, Lally, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- p. Discussion and possible action on requesting a Oklahoma State Audit & Inspector to provide an audit for the City of Harrah. (Mayor)

The mayor has requested that the City of Harrah should have the State Auditor do an audit for the possibility of any wrongdoing.

Motion by Lally to have an audit from the State Audit & Inspector. Second by Trent. Motion denied.

Aye: Lally and Trent

Nay: Smith, Barron, and Wiegert.

- q. Discussion and possible action to change the meeting date in July.

No action since the date is the regular scheduled meeting date.

- r. Discussion and possible action on Economic Development Reports on what is being achieved. (weekly progress reports of contacts, progress. (Mayor)

The mayor would like monthly economic development reports provided by Tracy.

- s. Appointment of Planning Commission Member. (Mayor)

The mayor requested Jeff Brzozowski be appointed to the Planning Commission.

Motion by Smith to approve the appointment of Jeff Brzozowski to the Planning Commission. Second by Lally. Motion carried.

Aye: Smith, Lally, Barron, Wiegert, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- t. Re-appointment of Gary Fitzgerald to the Planning Commission. (Mayor)

Motion by Wiegert to re-appoint Gary Fitzgerald to the Planning Commission. Second by Smith. Motion carried.

Aye: Wiegert, Smith, Barron. Wiegert, and Trent.

Nay: None.

- u. **Executive Session:** Discussion and possible action on request under provision 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(1) for the purpose of renegotiating employment agreement for the city manager [contract](#).
- v. **Executive Session:** Discussion and possible action on request under provision 25 O.S. Sec. 307(B)(2) for the purpose of reviewing and discussing the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the FOP.
- w. **Executive Session:** Discussion and possible action on request under provision 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(3) relating to matters of the sale or purchase of real estate.

Motion by Lally to enter into executive session for items V, W, and N from Public Works. Second by Smith. Motion carried.

Aye: Lally, Smith, Barron, Wiegert, and Trent.
Nay: None.

The Harrah City Council/Trustees entered into executive session at 9:08 p.m. and reconvened at 9:37 p.m.

- x. Any action taken in executive session:
- y. Discussion and possible action on renewing or terminating the city manager's existing contract.

Mayor Trent entertained a motion to go into executive session to discuss the city manager's existing contract excluding Clayton Lucas from the executive session.

Motion by Smith to enter into executive session and have Clayton Lucas present in the executive session. Second by Lally. Motion carried.

**Aye: Smith, Lally, Barron, and Wiegert.
Nay: Trent.**

The Council entered into executive session at 9:46 p.m and reconvened at 10:14 p.m.

Motion by Smith to terminate the city manager as of June 30, 2021 with a six month (6) severance package with benefits. Second by Lally. Motion carried.

**Aye: Smith, Lally, Barron, Wiegert, and Trent
Nay: None.**

z. Discussion and possible action to approve Collective Bargaining Agreement with the FOP.

This item was tabled for a later date.

aa. Discussion and possible action to accept/deny offer on property at the Industrial Park.

Motion by Lally to deny the offer on the land at the Industrial Park. Second by Smith. Motion carried.

Aye: Lally, Smith, Barron, Wiegert, and Trent.

Nay: None.

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

City Council members

Barron: **Nothing to report.**

Wiegert: **Nothing to report.**

Lally: **Nothing to report.**

Smith: **Nothing to report.**

Mayor: **Nothing to report.**

City Attorney: Ruling on property seized was now the city's.

Staff – [Fire Department Report](#), PoliceDept1

ACOG Report- **Nothing to report.**

Chamber Report: **Nothing to report.**

Department Head Comments: **Nothing to 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]

Citizens' Participation

Adjournment

The meeting of the Harrah City Council adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk