

**CITY OF HARRAH  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 16, 2021**

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 16, 2021 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 Danny Trent, Vice-Mayor Cass Smith, Councilor Paul Wiegert, Councilor Barron, and Councilor Lally. Absent: None. Others present: City Manager Mike Bower and City Attorney Robertson. Councilor Barron led the flag salute and Mayor Danny Trent gave the invocation.**

Approval of the consent agenda:

- a. Accept and approve the minutes of the [2021.07.19](#) Regular Meeting and the [2021.08.05](#) Special Meeting.
- b. Harrah Senior Monthly [report](#) for July.
- c. Approve TIF payment \$8744.68
- d. Approve request for Fire Chief to proceed with application for a 80/20 grant through the [Oklahoma Forestry Department](#).
- e. Approve Street & Alley [Funds](#) for 2nd Quarter of 2021.

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

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

**Nay: None.**

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

Review, consideration and possible action regarding:

- a. Discussion and possible action requesting an Oklahoma State Audit & Inspector to provide an audit for the City of Harrah/Harrah Public Works Authority.

**No action was taken by the council on item 4a.**

- b. Discussion and possible action to review and amend meeting dates for 2021 and 2022 approved on August 5, 2021.

**The dates passed August 5th as special meeting dates will remain as special meeting dates and 2022 meeting dates will be discussed in December when the meeting schedule will be brought before the council for approval.**

- c. Discussion and possible action to disband the search committee for new city manager and allow the council/trustees search and interview candidates.

**Motion by Lally to disband the search committee for the hiring of a new city**

manager. **Second by Smith. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: Trent.**

- d. Discussion and possible action to approve training from OML on how to conduct meetings for all the city boards.( Council, HPWA, Planning, Park)

**Motion by Lally to approve training from OML on how to conduct meetings with all city boards participating. Second by Smith. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: Trent.**

- e. Discussion and possible action regarding all surplus equipment from all city departments (city, Public Works, Fire, Police)

**Motion by Smith to request all departments have a surplus list by October 1, 2021. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- f. Discussion and possible action to approve lease purchase agreement and [amortization schedule](#) with FNB for four (4) police vehicles including outfitting.

**Motion by Smith to approve the lease purchase agreement and amortization schedule with FNB for four (4) police vehicles including outfitting. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- g. Discussion and possible action on purchase of [brush trucks](#) for the Fire Department.

**Motion by Smith to approve the purchase of brush trucks for the Fire Department. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- h. Discussion and possible action to approve purchase of motorcycles (3) for the Police Department.[Invoice Motorcycles Police Department.pdf](#)

**Motion by Smith to approve the purchase of motorcycles (3) for the Police Department. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- i. Discussion and possible action to adopt/deny [Ordinance No. 2021-12](#) amending Sec 12-101 of the Harrah City Code allowing business owners who reside outside the Harrah City limits to be members of the Planning Commission.

**Motion by Wiegert to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-12 amending Sec 12-101 of the Harrah City Code allowing business owners who reside outside the Harrah City limits to be members of the Planning Commission. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

- j. Discussion and possible action to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-12.

**Motion by Wiegert to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-12. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

- k. Discussion and possible action to approve/deny [preliminary plat](#) for VIP Plumbing at the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

**Motion by Wiegert to approve the preliminary plat for VIP Plumbing at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Second by Lally. Motion carried.**

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

- l. Discussion and possible action to approve /deny [final plat](#) for VIP Plumbing at the recommendation of the Planning Commission

**Motion by Wiegert to approve the final play for VIP Plumbing at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Second by Lally. Motion carried.**

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

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

**Motion by Barron to approve the revised PUD for River Mist. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Barron, Wiegert, and Trent.**  
**Nay: Lally and Smith**  
**(The Planning Commissions vote was 2-2)**

- n. Discussion and possible action to approve/deny recommendation from Planning Commission on parking spaces for Dollar General at Reno & Peebly.

**Motion by Smith to approve recommendation from the Planning Commission to accommodate Dollar General Store at Reno & Peebly on fewer parking spaces required by code. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- o. Discussion and possible action to approve/deny the recommendation from the Planning Commission on the aesthetics for the front facade of the Dollar General Store at Reno & Pebbly.

**Motion by Smith to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission to allow the facade to be consistent with the other Dollar General Stores. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- p. Discussion and possible action to approve/deny recommendation from the Planning Commission on the aesthetics for the building at 18608 NE 23rd St.

**Item 4 P was tabled for more review and information.**

- q. Discussion and possible action to revise the fee for signs and billboards.

**Item 4 Q was tabled for more information from the Planning Commission.**

- r. Discussion and possible action on food trucks and the required license.

**Motion by Smith to direct city attorney to amend ordinance for special events and food trucks. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- s. Discussion and possible action to amend Sec 12-380 of the city codes to include the section to say a permit is required for a driveway.

**Item 4 S was tabled for more information.**

- t. Discussion and possible action to review and revise [fees](#) presented by the staff.

**Motion by Smith to raise fees for contractors to \$150.00 and re-inspection fees to \$50.00. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- u. Appointment of Board of Adjustment member by the mayor.

**Item 4 U was tabled.**

- v. Appointment of Planning Commission Member by the mayor.

**Motion by Smith to approve mayor's appointment of Kari Lacefield to the Planning Commission. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- w. **Executive Session: Discussion and possible action** on request under the provisions of: 25 O.S. Sec 307(B)(10) for the purpose of conferring on matters pertaining to economic development including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice 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 including discussion and possible approval of real estate purchase.

**Item W was tabled due to wrong statute numbers, therefore tabled.**

- x. **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.
- y. **Executive Session: Discussion and possible action** under the provisions 25 O.S 307 (B)(4) regarding contract negotiations with Thompson Square by the city manager.
- z. **Executive Session: Discussion and possible action** under the provisions 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(4) regarding the potential claims involving Fall Creek.
- aa. **Executive Session: Discussion and possible action** under the provisions 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(4) regarding the potential claims involving Cedar Pointe.

**Motion by Barron to enter into executive session for x, y, z, and aa. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

**The Harrah City Council entered into executive session at 9:05 p.m. and reconvened at 9:45 p.m.**

- bb. Any action taken in executive session.

**On item x the city manager will continue with negotiations with the FOP, item y direct city manager to continue negotiations with Thompson Square, no action on item z, direct city manager to move forward as discussed in executive session on aa.**

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

City Council members

Wiegert: Harrah Day makes sure residents mow and clean.

Barron: Nothing to report.

Lally: Nothing to report.

Smith: Nothing to report.

Mayor: Circle B will be starting the sewer line on 23rd st.

City Attorney

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

ACOG Report- **Nothing to report.**

Economic Development: **Nothing to report.**

Chamber Report: **Community Guides have arrived.**

Department Head Comments: **Gary reported he spoke with the state about reducing speed limits at NE 23rd by the turnpike and at Landmark.**

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 9:45 p.m.**

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**Mayor**

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**City Clerk**