

**CITY OF HARRAH  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 19, 2021**

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 19, 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 Tom Barron, Councilor Paul Wiegert, and Councilor Chris Lally. Absent: None. Others present: Interim City Manager Mike Bower and City Attorney Robert Thompson. Tom Barron led the flag salute and Pastor Jonathan gave the invocation.

Approval of the consent agenda:

- a. Accept and approve the minutes of the [2021.06.14](#) Special Meeting, the [2021.06.21](#) Regular Meeting and the [2021.07.06](#) Special Meeting.
- b. Harrah Senior Monthly [report](#) for June.
- c. Re-new Hazardous Waste [Agreement](#) with Midwest City.
- d. Re-new School Resource Officer [Agreement](#) with Harrah Public Schools.
- e. Re-new [agreement](#) with Harrah Senior Center for 2021-2022.
- f. Re-new [agreement](#) with MISSION (Jeremy Davidson) web-site administrator.
- g. Approve [Treasurer's Bond](#) (Brandy Ruff) for Oklahoma County
- h. Approve TIF payment \$9478.66

**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. **Executive Session:** Consideration and possible vote to enter into executive session for discussions regarding the status of negotiations for a new Collective Bargaining Agreement for FY 2021-2022 with FOP, Lodge No. 165 including discussions regarding prior negotiations by the former City Manager for any proposed changes from the prior Collective Bargaining Agreement for FY 2020-2021 including changes to pay plan as well as Letters of Understanding signed by the former City Manager pertaining to the Collective Bargaining Agreement dated June 18 and 28, 2021 as authorized by 25 O.S. Sec. 307 (B)(2).

**Motion by Lally to enter into executive session. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**The Harrah City Council entered into executive session at 7:12 p.m. and**

reconvened at 7:58 p.m.

- b. Consideration and possible vote on items discussed in executive session including directions to the City's new negotiating team regarding negotiations for a new Collective bargaining Agreement for FY 2021-2022 with FOP, Lodge No. 165 including any prior negotiations and representations of the former City Manager not approved by the City Council.

**Motion by Smith to direct Interim City Manager and Attorney Margaret Love to enter into negotiations for a collective bargaining agreement with the FOP and bring back proposal. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

- c. Consideration and possible action on the status of Letters of Understanding dated June 18, 2021 and June 28, 2021 not presented to or approved by the city council.

**Motion by Barron to direct City Attorney and outside counsel to report to the executive committee the status of Letters of Understanding for June 18, 2021 and June 28, 2021. Second by Lally. Motion carried.**

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

- d. Discussion and possible action to revise existing leave [policy](#).

**Motion by Lally to keep the leave policy as written in the personnel handbook. Second by Smith. Motion carried.**

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

- e. Monthly reports from Myers Engineering. (Bill Myers).

**No action. Bill Myers was unable to attend.**

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

**No action was taken.**

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

**Motion by Mayor Trent to request an Oklahoma State Audit & Inspection to provide an audit for the City of Harrah/Harrah Public Works Authority. Died due to a lack of second.**

- h. Discussion and possible action to adopt/deny [Ordinance No. 2021-10](#) rezoning property at 3101 S Dobbs from A-2 to A-1 at the recommendation of the Planning

Commission.

**Motion by Wiegert to adopt Ordinance NO. 2021-10 rezoning property at 3101 S Dobbs from A-2 to A-1 at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Second by Smith. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- i. Discussion and possible action to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-10.

**Motion by Wiegert to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-10. Second by Smith. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- j. Discussion and possible action to adopt [Ordinance No. 2021-11](#) amending Ordinance No. 2010-08 Sec. 7-510 repealing the City Treasurer to collect the tax and have the Oklahoma Tax Commission to collect for the City of Harrah.

**Motion by Smith to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-11 amending Ordinance No. 2010-08 Sec. 7-510 repealing the City Treasurer to collect the tax and have the Oklahoma Tax Commission to collect for the City of Harrah. Second by Lally. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- k. Discussion and possible action to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-11.

**Motion by Smith to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance No. 2021-11. Second by Lally. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- l. Discussion and possible action to adopt [Resolution No. 07192021CC/HPWA](#) voting for Trustee to represent District 6 of the OkMRF Board.

**Motion by Smith to adopt Resolution No. 07192021CC/HPWA voting for Trustee to represent District 6 of the OKMRF Board. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- m. Discussion and possible action to approve/deny preliminary plat for Lincoln Landing at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. (S side of SE 44th 1320 ft. East S of Harrah Rd).

**Motion by Smith to approve preliminary plat for Lincoln Landing at the recommendation of the Planning Commission. (S side of SE 44th 1320 ft. East S of Harrah Rd.). Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

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

**No action was taken.**

- o. Discussion and possible action to approve updated Alcohol & Controlled Substance [Policy](#).

**Motion by Lally to approve updated Alcohol & Controlled Substance Policy. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- p. Discussion and possible action to authorize [reimbursement](#) payment to Robert Ferris-Harrah Community Band for shirts and misc. expenses.

**Motion by Smith to authorize payment to Robert Ferris-Harrah Community Band for shirts and miscellaneous expenses in the amount of \$1679.00. Second Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- q. Discussion and possible action on lease/purchase agreement with FNB.

**No action. This item was tabled.**

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

**Tabled for more information from the Planning Commission.**

- s. Discussion and possible action to approve payment of [\\$19,250.00](#) for Firestorm Enterprise, LLC. limb pick-up. (City Manager)

**Motion by Smith to approve payment of \$19,250.00 for Firestorm Enterprise, LLC limb pick-up. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- t. Discussion and action to approve payment of [\\$5550.00](#) to Harrah Disposal for limb pick-up. (City Manager)

**Motion by Lally to approve payment of \$5550.00 to Harrah Disposal for limb pick-up. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- u. Discussion and possible action on limb pick-up.(City Manager)

**No action.**

- v. Discussion and possible action to keep the Pavilion open and rentable. (Mayor)

**Motion by Smith to leave the pavilion open and direct city manager to have a conversation with Chequer's about a possible opening date. The pavilion will not be rented out for parties. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- w. Discussion and possible action on entering into a contract with OTA for paving/repair of the roads surrounding turnpike. (Mayor)

**Motion by Smith to enter into a contract with OTA for paving/repair of the roads surrounding the turnpike. Second by Barron. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

- x. Discussion and possible action on vacant city buildings VFW, State Theatre, Jorski Building. (Mayor)

**Tracy Qualls, Economic Development stated that next meeting there needed to be an executive session for appraisals and contracts on the sale of 2 of the buildings.**

- y. Update on Lumber Shack. (City Manager)

**Tracy Qualls, said the projected opening date is August 18, 2021.**

- z. Discussion and possible action for promotional video and incentive prize at the Harrah Farmers Market promoting Dept of Agriculture education and SNAP benefits.

**Motion by Smith to approve the promotional video and the incentive prize in the amount of \$348.49 at the Farmer's Market promoting Dept. of Agriculture education and SNAP benefits. Second by Wiegert. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

aa. Discussion and possible action on Harrah Day sponsorship.

**Motion by Wiegert to approve sponsorship by City of Harrah for \$6000.00 to help with Harrah Day expenses. Second by Smith. Motion carried.**

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

**Nay: None.**

bb. Discussion and possible action on the upcoming concert at Heritage Park for Thompson Square.

**No action.**

cc. Appointment of Board of Adjustment member. (Mayor)

**Tabled for future meeting.**

dd. Re-appointment of Aaron Wynn to the Planning Commission. (Mayor)

**Mayor Trent recommended removal of Aaron Wynn from the Planning Commission.**

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

City Council members

Wiegert: **Reported having complaints about silk fencing.**

Barron: **Welcome Mike.**

Lally: **Nothing.**

Smith: **Nothing.**

Mayor: **Welcome Mike.**

City Attorney: **Nothing**

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

ACOG Report-**Nothing to report.**

Economic Development: **Tracy Qualls 13 active projects, SSM ground breaking.**

Chamber Report: **Legislative luncheon August 19.**

Department Head Comments: **Nothing.**

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 9:50 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk