

**CITY OF HARRAH  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 21, 2023**

The City Council for the City of Harrah met at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 21, 2023 at City Hall, at 19625 NE 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Harrah, Oklahoma for a Regular Meeting.

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Roll Call, Flag Salute, Invocation

**At roll call the following members were present: Mayor Danny Trent, Vice-Mayor Steve Scalzo, Councilor Bernadette Klimkowski, Councilor Tim Rudek, and Councilor Jeff Brzozowski. Absent: City Attorney Robert Thompson. Others present: City Manager Matt Mears. Steve Scalzo led the flag salute and Danny Trent gave the invocation.**

Accept and approve the minutes of the [2023.12.07 Minutes](#).

**Motion by Scalzo to accept and approve the minutes of the 2023.12.07 minutes. Second by Klimkowski. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Scalzo, Klimkowski, Rudek, Brzozowski, and Trent.  
Nay: None.**

Consent Agenda:

- a. Accept the Treasurer's Report for November:
  - 01 General R&E [November](#)
  - 03 Street & Alley R&E [November](#)
  - 04 HPWA R&E [November](#)
  - 06 Capital R&E [November](#)
  - 10 Park R&E [November](#)
  - [Sales & Franchise Tax](#)
- b. Approve TIF payment for \$3669.61
- c. Award Memo for Homeland Security Grant. ([Award Memo & Schedule](#))([Homeland Security Sub-Recipient](#))([Homeland Security Terms & Conditions](#)).

**Councilor Brzozowski asked for item B to be removed from the consent**

**agenda.**

**Motion by Scalzo to accept items A & C of the consent agenda. Second by Rudek. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Scalzo, Rudek, Klimkowski, Brzozowski, and Trent.**

**Nay: None.**

Discussion and action on items removed from the consent agenda.

**Item B removed for clarification on the agreement with the city regarding the TIF District. The TIF is in place until 2034 and the payment is based on the monthly sales tax that is collected in the TIF District. The city is under no risk or liability for the \$17,000,000.**

**Motion by Brzozowski to approve item B if the consent agenda. Second by Scalzo. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Brzozowski, Scalzo, Klimkowski, Rudek, and Trent.**

**Nay: None.**

Review, consideration and possible action regarding:

- a. Discussion and possible action to seek quotes for the fire department. ([Skeeter](#))([Unruh Fire](#))

**This item was tabled for a third quote from the Fire Chief.**

- b. Discussion and possible action for road repair on Ranchwood, Beal, and Navarre.

**Repair on Beal and Navarre were discussed and tabled to allow the mayor to visit with the county on the cost for repairing these two roads.**

**Motion by Scalzo to have Ranchwood repaired by Oklahoma County. Second by Rudek. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Scalzo, Rudek, Klimkowski, Brzozowski, and Trent.**

**Nay: None.**

- c. Discussion and possible action to look at updating the trails, sidewalks, and parking areas throughout the city.

**This item was tabled for prices on updating trails, sidewalks, and parking areas.**

- d. Discussion and possible action to discuss vandalism at city parks and on city property.

**The city manager has visited with security companies on better options to prevent vandalism and is meeting with a representative for the possibility of**

**timed door latches. This item was tabled.**

- e. Discussion and possible action on State Theatre.

**This item was tabled and the city manager was directed to find a new realtor for appraisal on the State Theatre for the city to look into selling.**

- f. Discussion and possible action regarding Farmer's Market.

**This item was tabled to look into moving the Farmer's Market to a different area of the park to allow for more parking.**

- g. Discussion and possible action regarding wi-fi in the park.

**The city attorney will draft a letter to the Harrah Public School asking for permission to tie into their wi-fi and this will be tabled for the next meeting.**

- h. Discussion and possible action on request for a variance on public utilities at 373 Howard. ([Staff Report](#))

**Motion by Scalzo to approve the variance request with the stipulations that the applicant agrees to:**

**\*Tie into the sewer by February 1, 2024**

**\* Will hook up to city water by July 1, 2024.**

**\*The applicant will be paying the minimum water and sewer fee to the city until sewer and water tie-ins are completed.**

**\*The applicant will also install a bathroom that is ADA compliant.**

**Second by Brzozowski. Motion carried.**

**Aye: Scalzo, Brzozowski, Rudek, Klimkowski, and Trent.**

**Nay: None.**

- i. Appoint 2 Board Members to the Park Board. (Mayor)

**This item was tabled.**

- j. Appoint a Member to the Board of Adjustments. (Mayor)

**This item was tabled.**

Comments: City Manager Report [Claims Report](#)

City Council members

Klimkowski: **Clarification on trash pickup for the holidays.**

Rudek: **Submitted documentation to ACOG for review for grant on Climate, Pollution Control**

Brzozowski: **Jeff asked to be included in any meetings involving the Farmer's Market.**

Scalzo: **Citizens concerned about the smell coming from the grow facility on NE 23rd, when presented with contracts that have more than one company quoting prices, equipment costs, construction costs, ect could we have a side by side comparison analysis for a better look at**

**what is offered, and could the Treasurer's report have comments as to how the city is doing (ex: up in sales tax down in sales tax, etc.)**

Mayor: **Have a very Merry Christmas**

Attorney: **Absent.**

Staff –Fire Department Report: **Absent**

Police Dept Report: **Gave an update on the Flock camera and how they are working by giving instances of catching criminals coming into Harrah.**

ACOG Report-**Nothing to report**

Department Head Comments

**Public Works Jerry Chipman: 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]

## **Adjournment**

**The meeting of the Harrah City Council adjourned at 7:18 p.m.**

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**Mayor**

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**City Clerk**