

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF HARRAH
19625 NE 23RD STREET
HARRAH, OKLAHOMA
REGULAR MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 15TH, 2026**

Call to Order Mayor Wiegert called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call Roll was called by Tina Rodriguez

Present: Paul Wiegert, Mayor
Jennifer McCammond, Ward 1
Tim Rudek, Ward 2
Bill Lisby, Ward 3
Steve Scalzo, Vice Mayor
Also Present: Robert Thompson, City Attorney
Jacob Wood, City Manager

Flag Salute was led by Bill Lisby

Invocation was given by Robert Thompson

1. Consent Agenda: any item can be removed for further discussion
 - a. Accept and approve the Minutes of the 12.18.25 Regular meeting
 - b. Accept and approve the Minutes of the 01.05.26 Special meeting
 - c. Accept and approve the Minutes of the 01.09.26 Special meeting
 - d. Approve TIF payment of \$5,712.66
 - e. 2nd Quarter Street & Alley Funds
 - f. December Senior Citizen Report

A motion was made by McCammond and seconded by Rudek to remove item 1.a. for discussion and to approve Consent Agenda items 1.b. through 1.f. as presented.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

2. Discussion and action on items removed from the consent agenda
 - a. Accept and approve the Minutes of the 12.18.25 Regular meeting

McCammond asked if the City Manager had discussed Triple X Road with the City Manager of Choctaw, answer was unknown as the Interim City Manager was not present. Jacob said he would reach out to Choctaw next week. Marty gave an update on the status of the Police vehicles.

A motion was made by Rudek and seconded by Lisby to approve item 1.a. as presented.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

3. Review, consideration and possible action regarding:
 - a. Approval to remove and replace the facades of the large pavilion and bathroom at Heritage Park at the cost of \$25,709.90

A motion was made by Scalzo and seconded by Lisby to approve removing and replacing the facades of the pavilion and bathroom at Heritage Park.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

- b. Approval to install electric service at Jorski Chevy park at the combined cost of \$23,386.42 for service installation by Morgan Electric and OG&E

Council was notified of a correction of the combined cost, the correct number was \$28,383.68.

A motion was made by Scalzo and seconded by Rudek to approve installing electric service at Jorski Chevy Park and to make an attempt to negotiate with OG&E to lower the installation cost.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Scalzo, Rudek, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

- c. Approval of a purchase order to purchase bunker gear for the Fire Department in the amount of \$44,962.50 from North America Fire Equip Inc.

A motion was made by McCammond and seconded by Scalzo to approve the purchase of the bunker gear.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

- d. Approval to pay off the remaining lien balance on the Industrial Park Properties in the amount of \$170,000.00 or negotiate a release on the tract subject to the sale contract with the financial institution.

Council discussed the process that needs to be completed prior to negotiating a release on the land. Item tabled until next meeting when a closing date has been set.

- e. Approval of Blacksmith Park Budget increase in the amount of \$75,938.00

Discussed suggested budget increase and items requested for improvements at Blacksmith Park. Scalzo discussed the fact that no plans for the park were ever presented to Council for approval. Rudek suggested using grants for some of the items. Primary needs at the moment are rip rap to stabilize the creek and prevent further erosion and a frost free hydrant to allow watering of trees and plants. Rudek asked the City Manager to go ahead and install a frost free hydrant and McCammond asked Jerry Chipman to see if he can get any lower quotes for the rip rap for just the areas in danger of eroding for now.

McCammond also requested a budget breakdown and plan for the design of the park to be presented at a future meeting, and suggested including amenities like space for outdoor yoga class to improve scoring for grants. Cathey Byerley said they need edging to protect the dirt mounds from eroding before they can get the plants in. No action taken.

- f. Update and discussion on ongoing and upcoming road projects and the current budget.

Bob informed the Council that there was an ODEQ meeting next week regarding the consent order on the wastewater treatment plant, and that the outcome of that meeting might impact the City's available funding. Council discussed the different roads that needed to be prioritized for repair, with Triple X being number one but that repair requires coordinating with the City of Choctaw and Oklahoma County. Scalzo instructed the City Manager to reach out to Ken Wallace at County about what streets they will help with. Discussed several streets and the need to fill cracks and potholes. The final list of top streets needing repair was Triple X north of 23rd, 44th east of Harrah, Reno from Harrah Rd to Dobbs, Peebly north of 23rd to the bridge, and Echo Lane. No action taken.

- g. Acceptance of the River Mist Phase 3 Final Plat and discussion on LOMR (Staff Report)

Scalzo discussed the situation with the LOMR and the City's risk of liability if they accept the plat without the LOMR. He confirmed with the City Attorney Robert Thompson and the City Engineer Bill Myers that the City would have no liability with the Corps of Engineers, the EPA or ODEQ. Both the Attorney and Engineer confirmed that the City would have no liability as long as the City does not issue permits for the lots currently located in the floodplain and the City would not be responsible for acquiring the LOMR if the developer failed to do so. Scalzo believes the developer will be pushed to get the LOMR as he cannot start Phase 4 without it. Discussed that with the acceptance the City will not own the streets or stormwater system, only the water and wastewater systems.

A motion was made by Scalzo and seconded by Rudek to approve the acceptance of the River Mist Phase 3 Final Plat with the understanding that no permits would be issued for lots located in the floodplain until the City received the LOMR.

YAY: Wiegert, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: McCammond

MOTION PASSED

- h. Acceptance of a donation of a 2000 E-ONE 75ft Ladder Truck from the city of Del City.

A motion was made by Rudek and seconded by McCammond to accept the donation of the ladder truck.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

4. Comments:

City Manager

Mayor/Council

Staff

- Park Board Regular Minutes 12.10.25

Jacob Wood thanked Council for giving him the opportunity to serve the City. He informed Council that trash pickup on Linda Lane has been moved to pick up on the south side of the street due to safety concerns, updated on the progress of the food truck court and drains added on Church Ave and moving the canopy for the Farmer's Market at Heritage Park and concrete pads poured at all these locations. We received the go ahead on the grant for sidewalks from 10th St to Fox St.

Scalzo asked what the pads at the food truck park were for, they are for picnic tables and trash cans. He asked about the drain at Blacksmith Park and was concerned about metal stakes at the park and concerned about safety issues if someone falls on them.

McCammond asked about the Legacy Crossing Street, the city owns that street and has a quote for a french drain. Item will be on the next agenda.

Lisby, Wiegert and McCammond all thanked Jacob for being here.

5. Executive Session: discussion and possible action on, request under provision:

- a. 25 O.S. Sec 307 (B)(3) Consideration and possible action pertaining to approving the acquisition of land donation for the purposes of a public safety building.
 - i. Vote to enter Executive Session
 - ii. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - iii. Return to open session
 - iv. Possible action regarding item(s) discussed in Executive Session

A motion was made by Lisby and seconded by McCammond to enter into Executive Session to discuss item 5.a.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

Entered Executive Session at 8:04 pm.

Returned to open session at 8:19 pm.

Item 5.a.

A motion was made by McCammond and seconded by Lisby to accept the land donation and approve payment for a commercial appraisal.

YAY: Wiegert, McCammond, Rudek, Scalzo, Lisby

NAY: None

MOTION PASSED

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Paul W. Wiegert
Paul Wiegert, Mayor

Attest:

Tina Rodriguez
Tina Rodriguez, City Clerk



