

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OKEMAH CITY COUNCIL

WHEN: MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020 @ 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: OKEMAH CITY HALL, 502 WEST BROADWAY, OKEMAH, OK

PRESENT: KELLY WEST, RON GOTT, MIKE FULLER, WAYNE BACON, RONNIE LUCAS

ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT: DUSTIN DANKER, CITY MANAGER; JACK CADENHEAD, CITY ATTORNEY; RELENA HADDOX, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE.

Meeting was called to order and pledge of allegiance by the Mayor.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM.

Roll call and quorum declared by City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Motion to approve minutes presented from January 13, 2020 meeting made by Wayne Bacon, second by Ronnie Lucas.

Yea: Kelly West, Ron Gott, Wayne Bacon, Ronnie Lucas, Mike Fuller.

Nay: None

Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS.

Motion to approve purchase orders presented made by Wayne Bacon, second by Ronnie Lucas.

Yea: Kelly West, Ron Gott, Wayne Bacon, Ronnie Lucas, Mike Fuller.

Nay: None

Motion passed.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

Creek Nation Chief David Hill and Second Chief Del Beaver spoke on a stronger partnership between the Nation and City.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS.

Public Works Director reported on water and sewer line breaks, work for pioneer days and work being done on lift station.

Library Director Teresa Labbe reported state aid book order and form 470.

Code Enforcement Officer Jason Ishmael reported that this would be his last report and he was trying to get his year closed out and that he would still be working to train the new officer hired for his spot.

Community Planner Vicky Landers reported on Walmart grant for speakers, business blog, summer youth program, movie on main, pioneer days.

Wastewater Superintendent Cody Ousley passed DEQ quarterly report.

Emergency Management Director Jim Bill Copeland reported on training.

Police Chief Ed Smith reported 1,782 dispatch calls with 1,363 of them being police calls for the quarter. He also introduced the police officers Doug Danker, Carl Fletcher, Stacey Rice, Jeff Ramsey, Charles Starkey, Jay Ashley, and Ray Barrett who were all present for report.

DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE FAA REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST NO. 3-006 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,580.00 AND PAYMENT OF DELTA AIRPORT CONSULTANTS, INC., INVOICE #3 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,200.00 FOR RUNWAY 18-39 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION.

Motion to approve FAA request and invoice #006-03 made by Wayne Bacon, second by Mike Fuller.

Yea: Kelly West, Ron Gott, Wayne Bacon, Ronnie Lucas, Mike Fuller.

Nay: None

Motion passed.

PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING A PENDING CLAIM PERTAINING TO PROPERTY OWNED BY LAURA ARMSTRONG PURSUANT TO 25 O.S. SEC. 307(B)(4).

CONSIDER AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Motion to convene in executive session made by Wayne Bacon, second by Ronnie Lucas.

Yea: Kelly West, Ron Gott, Wayne Bacon, Ronnie Lucas, Mike Fuller.

Nay: None

Motion passed.

CONSIDER AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION.

Motion to return to open session made by Wayne Bacon, second by Ronnie Lucas.

Yea: Kelly West, Ron Gott, Wayne Bacon, Ronnie Lucas, Mike Fuller.

Nay: None

Motion passed.

MAYOR'S EXECUTIVE SESSION STATEMENT.

Mayor, Mike Fuller stated that noting outside agenda item number eight was discussed.

DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO SATISFY THE LIENS PERTAINING TO PROPERTY OWNED BY LAURA ARMSTRONG.

Tabled

CITY MANAGERS COMMENT.

City Manager, Dustin Danker commented on going to the City Managers Association conference

DISCUSSION OF GOALS AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2020.

No discussion

COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES FROM BOARD MEMBERS.

- **RONNIE LUCAS-WARD I**
Asked about the status of the Church and property with the windows and doors being boarded up. We need to focus on the animal shelter and streets.
- **MIKE FULLER-WARD II**
Would like the Church for discussion and action on next agenda.
- **KELLY WEST-WARD III**
Asked how to get things done like the animal shelter and abandon buildings and houses tore down.
- **RON GOTT-WARD IV**
Focus on making the city better with affordable housing, quality schools and employment opportunities.
- **WAYNE BACON-AT-LARGE**
Would like an agenda item to be able to openly discuss issues and improve communication between Council without breaking the law.

ADJOURNMENT.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:09pm by Mayor Mike Fuller.

Relena Haddox, City Clerk

Mike Fuller, Mayor