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Cynthia J. Price, City of Durant

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DURANT CITY COUNCIL
January 9, 2024 AT 6:00 PM
Roscoe J. Hatfield Council Chambers
300 West Evergreen
Durant, Oklahoma**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

INVOCATION/FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Tucker provided the invocation. Council Member Humphrey Miller led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Council Member Lauran Fuller
Council Member Humphrey Miller
Council Member Danny Sherrer
Vice Mayor Mike Simulescu
Mayor Martin Tucker
City Attorney Tom Marcum
Interim City Manager Rick Rumsey
City Clerk Cynthia J. Price

Absent:

None

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of Employee Services Awards for 4th Quarter 2023

The following employees received service awards:

5 YEARS

Christine Berlin (Dispatch)
Mark Idell (Police)
John Puana (Police)

10 YEARS

Tony Baeza (Street Dept)
Brian Baldwin (Landfill)
Jennifer Simpkins (Library)

15 YEARS

Wesley Crank (Police)

20 YEARS

Collin Gordon (Fire)
Brock Jones (Police)

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens wishing to address the council regarding matters which are not listed on the agenda will be required to sign up no later than 5 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the meeting. The sign-in sheet will contain space for citizen's name, address, phone number, and topic to be discussed. In this way, city staff will be able to follow-up on any issues presented if necessary.

There were no citizen comments.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Consent Items

To help streamline meetings and allow the focus to be on other items requiring strategic thought, the "Consent Items" portion of the agenda groups the routine, procedural, and self-explanatory non-controversial items together. These items are voted on in a single motion (one vote). However, any Council member requesting further information on a specific item thus removes it from the "Consent Items" section for individual attention and separate vote.

- a. Consider Approval of Special Called Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2023
- b. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2023
- c. Consider Approval of Budget Supplements BA-24-7
- d. Consider Approval of Mayoral Recommendation of Taylor Downs to Fill the Position of Education Advisory Trustee on the Durant Industrial Authority Board
- e. Consider Approval of Mayoral Recommendation to the Durant Industrial Authority Board
- f. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action to Consider Adoption of the 2024 Citizen Participation Plan – Required for all Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Applications and Closeout Process for CDBG Funded Projects.

Motion To: Approve Consent Items as Presented

Motion By: Humphrey Miller

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

2. Consider Items Removed from Consent

3. Information Items

- a. Financial Statements November 2023 and Sales Tax Reports December 2023

4. Administration

- a. Consider Approval of Police Department Policies as Part of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police.

Motion To: Approve Police Department Policies as Part of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: Fuller

Abstain: None

- b. Consideration for Approval of Purchasing a Chevy 4WD 1500 Crew Cab for \$43,402 from Joe Cooper Chevrolet State Contract SW0035, #25101507

Motion To: Approve Purchase of a Chevy 4WD 1500Crew Cab for \$43,402 from Joe Cooper Chevrolet State Contract SW0035, #25101507

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- c. Consideration Approval of Resolution Establishing Fees and Costs Charged by the City of Durant and Durant City Utilities Authority for Durant Services

Motion To: Approve Resolution Establishing Fees and Costs Charged by the City of Durant and Durant City Utilities Authority for Durant Services (R-2024-01)

Motion By: Mike Simulescu

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- d. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Allowing the Residence at 17 Engles Drive To Extend Sewer To the City of Durant Sewer System

Motion To: Allow Residence at 17 Engles Drive to Extend Sewer to the City of Durant Sewer System

Motion By: Mike Simulescu

Seconded By: Martin Tucker

Ayes: Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: Fuller, Miller

Abstain: None

- e. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Allowing Developer TURPI LLC to Connect to City Sewer Service

No action.

- f. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Allowing Developer Derick Brewer to Connect to City Water and City Sewer off of McLean Road.

Motion To: Allow Developer Derick Brewer to Connect to City Water and City Sewer off of McLean Road

Motion By: Lauran Fuller

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- g. Consider Approval of Maintenance Agreement By and Between City of Durant and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for Federal-Aid Program Project Number NHPP-207N(085)FP, Job Piece Number 31855(04) for the Installation of Traffic Signals at the US-69/75 Frontage Road and Choctaw Road Intersection (C-2024-02)

Motion To: Approve Maintenance Agreement By and Between the City of Durant and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for Federal Aid Program Project Number NHPP-207N(085)FP, Job Piece Number 31855(04) for Traffic Signals at the US-69/75 Frontage Road and Choctaw Road Intersection (C-2024-02)

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- h. Consider Approval of Maintenance Agreement By and Between City of Durant and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for Federal-Aid Program Project Number NHPP-207N(085)FP, Job Piece Number 31855(04) for the Installation of Highway Illumination Along US-69/75 from Rose Hill Bridge to US-70 (C-2024-03)

Motion To: Approve Maintenance Agreement By and Between City of Durant and the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for Federal-Aid Program Project Number NHPP-207N(085)FP, Job Piece Number 31855(04) for Highway Illumination Along US 69/75 from Rose Hill Bridge to US-70 (C-2024-03)

Motion By: Mike Simulescu

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- i. Consideration and Approval for Preliminary Plat Request for Goad Construction Inc and Dale Goad Construction Inc.

Motion To: Approve Preliminary Plat Request for Goad Construction Inc. and Dale Goad Construction Inc. Contingent Upon Applicant Granting Easement to the City of Durant as a Route of Secondary Ingress and Egress for Public Safety With Said Easement Being Located

From Dale Goad's South Property Up Through Lot 11 to the Cul-De-Sac

Motion By: Lauran Fuller

Seconded By: Martin Tucker

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

5. Executive Session

- a. Consider Entering Into Executive Session to Discuss Protected Information as It Pertains to Clarola Rose's OkMRF Retirement Benefits. This Executive Session Authorized by Title 25, Section 307 B(7) of the Oklahoma States Statutes.

Motion To: Enter Into Executive Session

Motion By: Humphrey Miller

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- b. Consider Action Pursuant to Executive Session Item 5(a)

Motion To: Approve Lump Sum Payout of Clarola Rose's OkMRF Retirement Benefits in the Amount of \$3,286,75

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- c. Considering Entering into Executive Session as Authorized by Title 25 O.S. Section 307 B(1) to Discuss Possible Hiring of City Manager

Motion To: Enter Into Executive Session Item

Motion By: Humphrey Miller

Seconded By: Lauran Fuller

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None

d. Consider Action Pursuant to Executive Session Item 5(c)

No Action

6. New Business

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn Meeting

Motion By: Martin Tucker

Seconded By: Mike Simulescu

Ayes: Fuller, Miller, Sherrer, Simulescu, Tucker

Nays: None

Abstain: None