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Cynthia J. Price, City of Durant

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DURANT CITY COUNCIL
July 13, 2021 AT 6:00 PM
Roscoe J. Hatfield Council Chambers
300 West Evergreen, Durant, Oklahoma**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Grube called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION/FLAG SALUTE

Assistant City Manager James Dalton provided the invocation.
City Manager John Dean led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Council Member Steve Brittingham
Council Member Humphrey Miller
Council Member Curtis Morris
Vice Mayor Danny Sherrer
Mayor Oden Grube
City Attorney Tom Marcum
City Manager John Dean
City Clerk Cynthia J. Price

Absent:

None

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of Employee Service Awards for 2nd Quarter 2021

The following employee service awards were presented:

15 YEARS

Ricky Ford, Police Department - Award of Commitment, Pin, \$150;
Shane Walker, Police Department - Award of Commitment, Pin, \$150;
Gina Brown, Library, Award of Commitment, Pin, \$150;

25 YEARS

Jennifer Gibson, Finance Department - Plaque, Award of Commitment, Pin, \$250;
James Hicks, Fire Department - Plaque, Award of Commitment, Pin, \$250;
John Ross, Water Treatment Plant, Plaque, Award of Commitment, Pin, \$250.

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 Regular Called Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2021
- b. Consider Approval of Special Called City Council Minutes of June 29, 2021
- c. Consider Approval of Budget Supplements BA 2021-12
- d. Consider Approval of OMAG Resolution to Amend The Agreement Establishing OMAG
- e. Consider Award of Abatement Bid to Cole Craige in the Amount of \$20,000 for Demolition, Mowing and Cleanup of 20 acre property located at 1221 Hillcrest Avenue.

Motion To: Approve Consent Items As Presented.

Motion By: Humphrey Miller

Seconded By: Curtis Morris

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None

2. Consider Items Removed from Consent

3. Information Items

- a. Assistant City Manager Report - June 2021
- b. City Clerk Monthly Report - June 2021
- c. City Manager Monthly Report - June 2021
- d. Community Development Monthly Report - June 2021

- e. Economic Development Director Monthly Report - June 2021
- f. Emergency Management Monthly Report - June 2021
- g. Fire Department Monthly Report - June 2021
- h. Financial Statements for May 2021 and Sales Tax Report for June 2021
- i. Grants Department Report - June 2021
- j. Human Resources Monthly Report- June 2021
- k. Library Monthly Report - June 2021
- l. Neighborhood Services Monthly Reports - June 2021
- m. Police Department Monthly Report - May 2021
- n. Street Department Monthly Report - June 2021

4. Administration

- a. Discussion on Chapter 159 of the Code of Ordinances Regarding Sign Regulations.

Discussion was held among council members regarding Chapter 159 of the Code of Ordinances Regarding Sign Regulations. Community Development Director Danielle Barker stepped forward to answer questions from council.

Areas of concern were what type of sign qualifies as a temporary sign, the time limit on temporary sign permits, the cost of temporary sign permits, the enforcement of and fine amount for temporary sign violations.

Ms. Barker stated any changes to Chapter 159 of the Code of Ordinances would need to first go before the Planning Commission for approval and then to city council for their consideration.

- b. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Ordinance Number O-2021-17 a Rezoning request from I-1, Light Industrial District to C-3, General Commercial District for property located at 308 Katy Avenue (PC2021-18)
 - 1. Consider action on Ordinance O-2021-17 Section 1.
 - 2. Consider action on Ordinance O-2021-17 Section 2. (Emergency Clause)

Community Development Director Danielle Barker addressed council and stated the Planning Commission and staff recommend approval of Ordinance O-2021-17. No letters or phone calls of concern or protest were received.

Motion To: Approve Ordinance O-2021-17, Section 1

Motion By: Danny Sherrer

Seconded By: Curtis Morris

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion To: Approve Ordinance O-2021-17, Section 2, Emergency Clause

Motion By: Danny Sherrer

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- c. Consider Approval of Resolution R-2021-15 Authorizing Participation in the OMAG Recognition Program

Motion To: Approve Resolution R-2021-15 Authorizing Participation in the OMAG Recognition Program

Motion By: Danny Sherrer

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- d. Consider Approval of Resolution for the Appointment of Emily Redman as City of Durant Alternate Administrative Hearing Officer (R-2021-17)

Motion To: Approve Resolution for the Appointment of Emily Redman as City of Durant Alternate Administrative Hearing Officer (R-2021-17)

Motion By: Danny Sherrer

Seconded By: Curtis Morris

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- e. Consideration to Accept Grant Award for a Weather Radar System in the Amount of \$1.6 Million from the OK Emergency Management and Office of Homeland Security.

Mark Gower, Director of Oklahoma Emergency Management joined Assistant City Manager James Dalton at the podium to provide city council a brief history of their efforts spanning fifteen years to obtain a weather radar system for Southeast Oklahoma.

Motion To: Approve Grant Award for Weather Radar System

Motion By: Curtis Morris

Seconded By: Danny Sherrer

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None

- f. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on the Larkspur Lane - Extension #2 Award of Bid

City Manager John Dean stated the bid was significantly higher than the estimate and recommended the bid not be awarded.

Motion To: Deny award of bid for Larkspur Lane - Extension #2

Motion By: Humphrey Miller

Seconded By: Danny Sherrer

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None

5. New Business

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn Meeting

Motion By: Danny Sherrer

Seconded By: Humphrey Miller

Ayes: Brittingham, Miller, Morris, Sherrer, Grube

Nays: None

Abstain: None