

AGENDA
TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016 - 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 111 S. CHEROKEE AVE.

1. **MEETING CONVENED**

Meeting called to order.

Roll call.

Invocation – Rev. Debora Jennings from St. Basil’s Episcopal Church.

Flag salute.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Comments will be accepted from the general public concerning topics that are not included in the meeting’s agenda. Individuals will be limited to 3 minutes of speaking time and the cumulative total of all comments from the public shall not exceed 15 minutes. Preference will be given to Tahlequah citizens. In compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, no action or discussion is permitted by the City Council on any issue or topic raised by a speaker during this public comment period.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

These items are placed on the **Consent** Agenda so that members of the City Council, by unanimous consent, can designate routine items to be approved by one motion. Any item proposed on the Consent Agenda not meeting with the approval of all Council members will be removed and heard in Regular Session.

Approve the **minutes** of the April 4 and April 18, 2016 City Council Meetings

Acknowledge receipt of March 2016 **Financial Report**

The following **easements** for the South Muskogee Street Widening Project:

Street, Drainage and Utility **Easement** from O’Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc

Temporary Construction **Easement** from O’Reilly Automotive Stores, Inc

Approve the **appointment** of Kris Harris as the Ward IV appointee to the Code Book Review Committee

Approve General Fund Budget **Reallocation** of \$1,532.55, for April step raises

Hire Charles Crittrenden as a part-time, 999-hr laborer in the **Rec Department** with a salary of \$8.95 per hour

Promote Dakota Crow from a part-time laborer to a full-time laborer in **Solid Waste Services**, at Grade 3 Step 1

4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

Recognition of Years of Service for April Employees: Emily Van Dyke from Managerial Department – 5 years, Dustin Ryals from Park Department – 5 years, Brad Hale from Fire Department – 10 years

Report from Library.

Report from Tahlequah Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Report from Chamber of Commerce.

Report from the Tahlequah Main Street Association.

Reports from City Departments: Fire Department

REGULAR SESSION

5. Discussion and possible action on items removed from the **consent** agenda.
6. Discussion and possible action to **form** Landscaping and Tree Preservation **Committee**. Councilor Weston.
7. Discussion and update on non-compliant commercial **dumpsters** within the city limits. Councilor Weston.
8. Discussion and possible action to approve **allowing** for controlled consumption of **alcohol** in the North End District during Tahlequah Pride Picnic and Celebration on June 11, 2016. Carden Crow.
9. Discussion and possible action on the requirements for **street closures**. Councilor Bliss.
10. Discussion and possible action on a **proposal** from Barnard Media to **video** the City Council **Meetings**. Tom Barnard.
11. Discussion on **Ordinance** No. 1235-2016, **amending** the percentages of the “**Rainy Day Fund**” ordinance. Councilor Bliss.
12. Discussion and possible action to approve General Fund Budget **Reallocation** on the amount of \$378,184.00, to move reserved funds for capital purchases from General Fund to Capital Improvement Fund. Marcie Gilliam/Kevin Smith.
13. Discussion and possible action requesting the City Attorney, Angela Baker-Jones, **review** City Code Chapter 9, **Sign Regulations**, 12-901 through 12-915 for interpretation purposes including compliance issues and reporting her findings to the Council at the second Council Meeting in May. Councilor Carroll.
14. Discussion and possible action to **hold** any sign **applications** until the City Attorney gives the Council and opinion on the current sign ordinance. Councilor Carroll.
15. Discussion and possible action to **extend** the “Main Street Commercial **Corridor**” as described in Chapter 9, Sign Regulations, 12-902, to read “This corridor shall include land and lots abutting Muskogee Avenue for that portion extending from its intersection with Goingsnake, on the north end, to State Highway 62/82 split, south of town. Councilor Carroll.

16. Discussion and possible action to **hire** Regina Gates as a full-time Collector in Solid Waste Services, at Grade 3 Step 1 and to **hire** Bryan Bowin as a full time Driver in **Solid Waste** Services, at Grade 3 Step 2. Jessica Petty.
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17. **PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Motion to exit regular session and enter into executive session.
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- ❖ Discussion on the **appointment** of City Attorney, as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B) (1).
 - ❖ Discussion on the **employment** of the Human Resource Director, as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B) (1).
 - ❖ Discussion on Confidential Communications between City Councilors and City Attorney concerning pending **litigation** filed in District Court by Terry, Mark and Lahoma **Bigby**, as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B) (4).
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18. **Reconvene** Regular Meeting.
19. Discussion and possible action on the **appointment** of City Attorney.
20. Discussion and possible action on the **employment** of the Human Resource Director.
21. Discussion and possible action on Confidential Communications between City Councilors and City Attorney concerning pending **litigation** filed in District Court by Terry, Mark and Lahoma **Bigby**.
22. Discussion on the **mid-month** special **meeting**.
23. **Adjourn**.