

MINUTES
TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016 - 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 111 S. CHEROKEE AVE.

1. Mayor Nichols called the meeting of the City Council **to order** at 7:02 pm in the City Council Chambers at 111 S. Cherokee Avenue.

2. City Clerk Deb Corn called the **roll** as follows:

Present: Councilor Ward I Bree Long
 Councilor Ward II Dr. Charles Carroll
 Councilor Ward III Stephen Highers
 Councilor Ward IV Joshua Bliss

Others present: City Attorney Angela Jones, Street Commissioner Wayne Ryals, Solid Waste Superintendent Les Ford, Human Resource Director Jessica Petty, Fire Chief Ray Hammons, Stormwater Manager Clinton Johnson, News Media Josh Newton.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

JoEllen Rogers would like the lines painted on South Muskogee Ave.

4. Council took no action on a request to **waive** certain **requirements** of the dumpster ordinance and allow Felts Plaza, Inc., Felts Star LLC and Clay Felts Co. to install partial **dumpster enclosures** at the following addresses: Bryce Felts.

(Felts Plaza) 119-125, 127-129 and 216 E. First Street 901, 905, 905A, 905B, 907C, 909, 1001, 1003, 1005, 1007, 1009, 1011, 1027, 1029, and 1031 S, Muskogee Ave. 1

Plaza South, 5 Plaza South, 7-9 Plaza South, 10-12 Plaza South, 14-16 Plaza South, 18-20 Plaza South, 22-25 Plaza South, and 27 Plaza South 1201, 1203, 1205, 1207, 1209, 1211, 1219, 1221, and 1223 Park Hill Rd. 104 E. 4th Street (47 Businesses using 16 Dumpsters)

(Felts Star LLC) 1004, 1006, 1010, 1012, 1014, 1028, 1026, 1024, 1020, 1038, 1028B, 1028A, 1028C, 1102A, 1102B, 1102C, 1751, 1753, 1759, 1761, 1763, and 1767 S. Muskogee Ave. 105 and 109 Second Street 1005 and 1007 S. College Ave.

106, 108, 110 and 112 Monroe (28 Businesses using 7 Dumpsters)

(Clay Felts Co., Inc.) 116, 188, 1201, 1205, and 1207 S. Muskogee Ave. 106 E. 5th St. (6 Businesses using 3 Dumpsters)

No action taken.

5. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to adopt **Ordinance** No. 1237-2016, revisions to the **sign** ordinance.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Bliss, Long, Carroll Nays: none Motion carried.

6. Councilor Carroll made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve **Resolution** No. 10-17-16, **opposing** State Question 777-The **Right to Farm Bill**.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Long, Carroll, Highers Nays: none Motion carried.

7. Councilor Long made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to **award** the only **bid** received for the new **brush truck** to Chief Fire and Safety for the price of \$78,019.00.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Carroll, Highers, Bliss Nays: none Motion carried.

8. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to award a **quote** for **tank removal** at Fire Station # 1 to StanTech for the amount of \$10,520.00.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Highers, Bliss, Long Nays: none Motion carried.

9. Councilor Long made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to table **revisions** to the Policy and Procedure for Placing **Items** on the **Agenda**.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Bliss, Long, Carroll Nays: none Motion carried.

10. After discussion on the problem with the concrete peeling on the Morgan Street **Pavilion Project** and a recommendation from the Architect and the Contractor to grind off the top layer, there was no need for the Council to take action.

No action taken.

11. The recommendation for **repair**, replacement, or alteration of concrete in the east pavilion of the **Morgan Street Project** was covered in the last item.

No action taken.

12. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Carroll seconded to award the contract for the **demolition** of the seven remaining **structures**, including the alternate of the removal of a large tin building, at the **Basin Avenue** property to Dirt Wurx for a total of \$61,350.00.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Highers, Bliss, Long Nays: none Motion carried.

13. Councilors agreed that the three **proposals** received in response to our request for proposals for the **comprehensive plan** and land use code revisions would be opened and distributed to the Councilors in the next day or two.

No action taken.

14. Councilor Carroll made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to accept **Bullet Proof Vest Grant 2016**, approve Match Funds in the amount of \$1,449.98 and approve the Grant Budget in the amount of \$2,899.95.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Long, Carroll, Highers Nays: none Motion carried.

15. **PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to exit regular session and enter into executive session at 8:52 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Carroll, Highers, Bliss Nays: none Motion carried.

❖ Discussion to **employ**, hire, appoint a City **Administrator**/Assistant City Administrator in the Managerial Department, as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B) (1).

16. Mayor Nichols **reconvened** Regular Meeting at 9:08 pm.

No action taken.

17. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to hire, appoint Mr. Edward Carr as the City **Administrator** in the Managerial Department with a salary of \$85,000.00 a year.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Highers, Bliss, Long Nays: none Motion carried.

18. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to **adjourn** at 9:10 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Long, Carroll Nays: Bliss Motion carried.