

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

1. **MEETING CONVENED**

Meeting **called to order** by Mayor Nichols at 7:02 pm.
The 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 Administrator Ed Carr, City Treasurer Lanny Williams, City Attorney Angela Jones, Street Commissioner Wayne Ryals, Police Chief Nate King, Personnel Director Jessica Petty, Finance Director Marcie Gilliam, Emergency Management Director Mike Underwood, Stormwater Manager Clinton Johnson, News Media Josh Newton.

Invocation – Bobby Lipscomb from the NSU Baptist Collegiate Ministry.
Flag salute.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the public.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approve the **minutes** of the October 3, 12 and October 17, 2016 City Council Meetings

Acknowledge receipt of the **Financial** Reports from September 2016

Accept the **resignation** of Nick Perkins as a volunteer firefighter in the **Fire Department**, effective October 21, 2016

Accept the **resignation** of Johnny Kelley as laborer in the **Cemetery** Dept.

Approve General Fund Budget **Reallocation** in the amount of \$1,950.06 from Operating Reserve to Transfers to Cops in Schools, to cover funding difference between 3% budgeted raise and actual FOP Union Agreement raise of 5%

Approve General Fund Budget **Reallocation** in the amount of \$6,493.44, for approved October 2016 Step raises

Approve Hotel/Motel Fund **Budget Amendment** in the amount of \$30,000.00, to increase budget expenditures for a more aggressive approach to promote tourism

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

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

The Company of Crafton Tull presented their Comprehensive Plan Proposal

The Company of The Urban Collaborative presented their Comprehensive Plan Proposal

The Company of Crafton ADG presented their Comprehensive Plan Proposal

Recognition of Years of Service for September Employees: Thomas Donnell from the Police Department – 5 yrs.

Report from Library - none

Report from Tahlequah Convention and Visitors Bureau (written)

Report from Chamber of Commerce - none

Report from the Tahlequah Main Street Association - none

Reports from City Departments: Fire Department (written), Street Department (written)

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5. There were no items removed from the **consent** agenda.

No action taken.

6. There was no action taken to **accept** a Comprehensive Plan **Proposal**.

No action taken.

7. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to approve **Resolution** No. 11-07-16, calling for a regular **election** on February 14, 2017 to elect Councilors from Wards I and II, City Clerk, Street Commissioner, City Treasurer and Chief of Police.

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

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

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

9. City Attorney Angela Jones presented **Ordinance** No. 1238-2016, revising **court fines**. It will appear on the next agenda for action.

No action taken.

10. **Ordinance** No. 1239-2016, setting compensation for **elected officials** was presented to the Council for recommendations on the compensation. This ordinance will appear on the next agenda for possible action.

No action taken.

11. There was no action taken to **approve** a **quote** for the Kim Street **Project**.

No action taken.

12. Councilor Long made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to **hire** Frank Grogan as laborer/operator in the **Street Department** at Grade 3, Step 1.

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

13. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to **establish** "CDBG 16" **Grant** Fund, accept Oklahoma Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant Award of \$105,048.00, approve cash match of \$150,000.00 from Managerial Trails/Paths/Lanes account 110-51-8478 and approve the Grant Budget of \$255,048.00.

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

14. The **mid-month** special **meeting** will be on November 28, 2016 at 7:00 pm.
No action needed.

15. Councilor Long made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to **adjourn** at 9:54 pm.

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