

MINUTES
TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 19TH, 2017 - 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 111 S. CHEROKEE AVE.

1. MEETING CONVENED

Meeting **called to order** by Mayor Nichols at 7:01pm.

2. City Clerk DeAnna Hammons Called the Roll call as follows:

Present:	Councilor Ward I	Bree Long
	Councilor Ward II	Dower Combs
	Councilor Ward III	Stephen Highers
	Councilor Ward IV	Joshua Bliss

OTHERS PRESENT: City Administrator Ed Carr, Police Chief Nate King, Fire Chief Ray Hammons, Street Commissioner Wayne Ryals, Planning and Development Director Clinton Johnson, Personnel Director Jessica Petty, Emergency Director Mike Underwood, IT Department Randy Powell, News Media Tesina Jackson, Airport Greg Blish, Parks Department Charles Poteet, Public Relations Jami Murphy

PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Dr. Carroll spoke regarding concerns about the River City Park preservation. Owner of the Iguana Café spoke regarding access concerns to her property.

Mayor made recommendation to move agenda items 26, 27, and 28 before number 4.

26. Councilor Combs made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to approve Appointment of BJ Baker and Grant Lloyd as City Attorneys.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Bliss, Highers abstained: Long MOTION CARRIED

27. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to approve associated legal services agreement with Grant Lloyd.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Highers, Combs Abstained: Long MOTION CARRIED

28. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **approve** associated **legal services agreement** with **BJ Baker**.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Highers, Combs Abstained: Long MOTION CARRIED

4. Update and Discussion on the **Special Needs Park** was given by Councilor Long, Ed Carr, Mike Kelly, Charles Poteet, & Wayne Ryals No Action needed

5. There was no action taken on seeking **bids and quotes** for additional items for the **Special Needs Park**.

6. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to hire Jeannette Haak as the **Cemetery Records Secretary**, in the managerial department, at a grade 3 step 1.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Highers, Combs, Long Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

7. Councilor Combs made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to hire **Dylan Ford** as a 552 hour in the **Parks Department**.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Combs, Long, Bliss Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

8. Councilor Combs made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to hire **Herbert Davis** as a 999 hour in the **Parks Department**.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Long, Bliss, Highers Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

9. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve the **transfer** of the **Hanger Lease** lot #25 from Everett Childers to Mike Brown as Approved by the Airport Advisory Board.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Bliss, Highers, Combs Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

10. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Highers Seconded to **re-appoint Carol Choate** to the **Tahlequah Hospital Authority Board of Trustees**.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Highers, Combs, Long Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

11. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve 2017-2018 **Drug Dog Agreement** between the City of Tahlequah and Tahlequah Public Schools.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Combs, Long, Bliss Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

12. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve 2017-2018 School **Resource Officer Agreement** between the City of Tahlequah and Tahlequah Public Schools.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Long, Bliss, Highers Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

13. Councilor Combs made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to acknowledge the **Retirement of Ted Kupsick** in the Fire Department.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Long, Bliss, Highers Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

14. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded on Department to Department **reallocation** from Managerial “Operating Reserve” to Fire Department “Salaries”.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Highers, Combs Abstained: Long MOTION CARRIED

15. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve **Resolution No. 06-19-17**, adopting the **FY 2017-2018 Tahlequah City Budget adding an Amendment**.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Long Nays: Highers, Combs, Mayor MOTION DENIED

Councilor Long made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to Table this item.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Long Nays: Highers, Combs, Mayor MOTION DENIED

Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to approve **Resolution No. 06-19-17**, adopting the **FY 2017-2018 Tahlequah City Budget**

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Combs, Mayor Nays: Long, Bliss MOTION CARRIED

16. Councilor Combs made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to change the **terms** in the **Service Agreement** between the **City of Tahlequah and Tahlequah Public Works Authority** to renew every 3 months and compensation to be paid every 3 months.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Combs, Long, Bliss Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

Mayor made recommendation to postpone agenda items 17-22. No Action Taken on these items.

17. Mayor made recommendation to postpone on **Creation of Council Committees.**

No action taken

18. Mayor made recommendation to postpone on **appointing members** of the **Personnel Committees.**

No action taken

19. Mayor made recommendation to postpone on **appointing members** of the **Finance Committee.**

No action taken

20. Mayor made recommendation to postpone on the date, time and location of the **first Personnel Committee meeting.**

No action taken

21. Mayor made recommendation to postpone on the date, time and location of the **first Finance Committee meeting.**

No action taken

22. Mayor made recommendation to postpone discussion on **updating** the Council regarding **City Attorney.**

No action needed

23. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to approve **Resolution** designating service providers for the **Tax Increment Finance district creation**.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Bliss, Highers, Combs Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

24. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **approve** contract with **CivicPlus** for web site design and hosting services with correction of a term.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Highers, Combs, Long Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

25. Mayor recommended to move agenda item to executive session to approve a **bid** for the **West Fourth Street** widening project.

26. Agenda item moved before number 4 . To **approve** appointment of **BJ Baker and Grant Lloyd as City Attorneys**.

27. Agenda item moved before number 4. To **approve** associated **legal services agreement** with **Grant Lloyd**.

28. Agenda item moved before number 4. To **approve** associated **legal services agreement** with **BJ Baker**.

29. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to accept the **resignation** of **Marcie Gilliam** in the Managerial Department.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Combs, Long, Bliss Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

30. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION - Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to exit regular session and enter into executive session at 8:41pm

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Long, Bliss, Highers Nays: none MOTION CARRIED

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- ❖ Discussion on the **2017-2018 Contract** with **IAFF Local 4099**, as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B)(2) .
 - ❖ Discussion on the **2017-2018 Contract** with the **FOP Lodge 201**, as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B)(2)
 - ❖ Discussion of the **employment** of the **City Administrator** , as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B)(1)
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Councilor Bliss excused himself from the meeting at 9:54pm

- 31.** Mayor Nichols **Reconvene** Regular Meeting at 9:55 pm.

Agenda item number 25 was moved to Executive Session from Regular to approve a **bid** for the **West Fourth Street** widening project. This item was tabled for July 3, 2017 City Council Meeting.

Agenda item number 29 was brought back for clarification of Marcie Gilliams effective date of her resignation in the Managerial Department as of July 31, 2017.

- 32.** There was no action taken to **approve** the **2017- 2018 Contract with IAFF Locall 4099**.
- 33.** There was no action taken to **approve** the **2017-2018 Contract with the FOP Lodge 201**.
- 34.** There was no action taken on the **employment** of the **City Administrator**.
- 35.** Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **Adjourn** at 10:01 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Combs, Highers Nays: none Motion carried