

MINUTES
TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019 - 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 111 S. CHEROKEE AVE.

1. MEETING CONVENED

2. Meeting **called to order** by Mayor Nichols at 7:00 pm.
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 Attorney Grant Lloyd, City Administrator Ed Carr, City Treasurer Lanny Williams, Street Commissioner Wayne Ryals, Development Director Clinton Johnson, Human Resource Director M'Lynn Pape, IT Department Randy Powell, Public Relations Jami Murphy, News Media Tesina Jackson.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

4. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve the temporary street closure as proposed on the map provided by Tahlequah Main Street Association related to **2019 Red Fern Festival**.

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

5. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to **appoint Mark Gish to the Tahlequah Public Works Authority Board**.

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

6. Councilor Bliss made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to accept the recommendation from the Airport Board and approve the Agreement for Services for Improvements to the Tahlequah Municipal Airport Tahlequah, Oklahoma Five-Year Master On-Call Agreement with **Lochner Engineering Firm**.

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

7. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Highers seconded to Table the discussion and possible action to approve the City of Tahlequah **Skate Park Reservation & Operating Policy**.

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

8. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve the Summary of Material Modification and Amendment #4 to the City of Tahlequah Employee Benefit Plan Group No. 02245 as presented, **regarding health insurance end date for terminated employees**.

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

9. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **accept self-termination of Lauren Lane** a part time laborer in the Parks and Recreation Department.

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

10. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to accept the **resignation of Angela Drews** the Deputy Court Clerk in the Managerial Department, **effective April 3, 2019**.

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

11. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to **hire John Cruwell at a T111 Step 1 as a Collector** in the **Solid Waste Department**.

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

- **Mayor Nichols recommended and read agenda items number 12 – 19 be discussed and voted on jointly.**

12. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1275-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 1, Building Code, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

13. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1276-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 1, Building Code, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

14. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1277-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 1, Building Code, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

15. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1278-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 2, Plumbing Code, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

16. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1279-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 7, Housing Code, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

17. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1280-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 9, Mechanical Code, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

18. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1281-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 3, Fuel Gas Code, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

19. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adopt **Ordinance No. 1282-2019**, amending Part 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 4, Electrical Installations, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

- 20.** Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to Table discussion and possible action to adopt **Ordinance No. 1283-2019**, amending Part 6, Licensing and Business Regulations, Chapter 4, Residential Sales, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahlequah.

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

- 21.** Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to adopt **Resolution No. 04-15-19**, adopting a **Safe Routes to School Policy**.

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

- Councilor Highers raised a question of privilege to address and recognize the years of service of Mayor Jason Nichols and Councilor Joshua Bliss.

- 22. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Higher seconded to Adjourn at 7:59 p.m.**

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