

MINUTES

TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING

Date/Time of
City Council Meeting: Monday, April 20, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: The meeting was held by Videoconference and/or
Teleconference. *See* 25 O.S. §307.1(C).

1. **MEETING CONVENED**

Meeting **called to order** by Mayor Catron at 7:02 p.m.

City Clerk DeAnna Hammons Called the **Roll call as follows:**

2. **Roll call.**

Present:

Councilor Ward I	Bree Long
Councilor Ward II	Dower Combs
Councilor Ward III	Stephen Highers
Councilor Ward IV	Trae Ratliff

Others Present:

Mayor Sue Catron, City Attorney Grant Lloyd, City Clerk DeAnna Hammons,
Interim City Administrator Alan Chapman, City Treasurer Marty Hainzinger

Absent: none

3. **Public Notice:** A Public Notice of meeting was provided April 16, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.
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4. **PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS:**

Videoconference and/or Teleconference Access Instructions for Public Attendance at the Meeting: the Public may remotely attend this meeting by joining the Zoom meeting via the web or the Zoom app (www.zoom.us) **Access Code 985 9412 6978 Password: 283771.** Materials presented electronically to Councilors that attend remotely will be made available to those Councilors via the Zoom meeting platform and/or or another digital platform. If you wish to receive a copy of any materials that are presented to the City Council via Zoom or otherwise, please submit your request to cityclerk@cityoftahlequah.com.

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The Public may ask questions during the discussion of each agenda item by typing the word “question” along with his or her name in the chat bar and waiting to be called on. If communicating via the Zoom Videoconference and/or Teleconference, the Mayor will call upon you to unmute yourself so that you may speak. Only questions spoken out loud are allowed to be responded to. Please do not type out your questions in the chat bar.

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5. A presentation and update was given regarding **Tahlequah Trails**.

- **Mayor Catron moved agenda items #12 and #13 to be heard before agenda item #6.**
- **12. *Medical update on the Covid task force response was given by Dr. Galdamez.**
- **13. *Discussion of guidelines provided by President Trump and Governor Stitt on restarting the economy.**

6. Councilor Ratliff made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to approve the **Disaster Emergency Proclamation No. 001**.

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

7. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to **acknowledge receipt of the March 2020 Financial Statements**.

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

8. Councilor Ratliff made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to **close the 2009 Restricted Sales and Use Tax Fund and move the same into the General Fund**.

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

9. **Discussion item only regarding the adoption of Ordinance No. 1303-2020, an ordinance establishing and implementing a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services by the Fire Department for services provided/rendered by the City of Tahlequah, OK.**

10. **Discussion item only regarding the adoption Ordinance No. 1304 -2020, an ordinance amending part of Chapter 2 Fire Department and Services, of Part 13, Public Safety, of the code of ordinances of the City of Tahlequah, related to the inspection and prevention of fires.**

11. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to approve **Tahlequah Sports League** to have Property Upkeep Inc. **construct a 6 ft. fence for softball fields** at Anthis-Brennan Sports Complex in the amount of \$19,627.46.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Combs, Highers Abstained: Ratliff Motion carried

12. **Mayor Catron moved item to be heard before agenda item # 6.**
***Medical update on the Covid task force response.**

13. **Mayor Catron moved item to be heard before agenda item # 6.**
***Discussion of guideline provided by President Trump and Governor Stitt on restarting the economy.**

14. **Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Ratliff seconded to exit Regular Session and enter into Executive Session at 8:20 p.m.**

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

❖ **Discussion pertaining to the 2020-2021 contract with IAFF Local 4099**, as provided in 25 O.S. §307 (B) (2)

❖ **Discussion pertaining to the 2020-2021 contract with FOP Lodge 201**, as provided in 25 O.S. § 307 (B) (2)

15. Councilor Ratliff made a motion and Councilor Highers seconded to reconvene regular Session at 9:37 p.m.

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

16. No action was taken related the **2020-2021 contract with IAFF Local 4099.**

17. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to approve the **2020-2021 contract with FOP Lodge 201 as presented by Interim City Administrator.**

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

18. **Councilor Ratliff made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to adjourn meeting at 9:41 p.m.**

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