

MINUTES OF THE COWETA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MAY 5, 2014

7:00 P.M.

The members of the Coweta City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 5, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at Coweta City Hall, 310 South Broadway, Coweta, Oklahoma.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Morton, Billy Embrey, Roy Dale, Timothy Kelley, Steve Garman.

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Whitlock, David Weatherford, Joyce Terry, Tom Tillotson, Rob Werley, Chip Cohrs, Ivy Battles, Greg Collins, Hal Bumgarner, Paula Emmons, Derrick Palmer, Tom Young, Doug Black.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Morton.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance given.
- III. Roll call taken. Councilmembers present and absent as shown above.
- IV. GENERAL CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no City Council comments.

V. CONSENT

Motion by Steve Garman, second by Robert Morton, to approve consent calendar items:

1. Minutes of the Coweta City Council Regular Meeting of March 3, 2014.
2. Minutes of the Coweta City Council/Coweta Public Works Authority/Coweta Industrial Trust Authority Special Meeting on April 4, 2014.
3. Minutes of the Coweta City Council special meeting held on April 24, 2014.
4. April 2014 payroll for the General Fund in the amount of \$227,830.52, and \$0 for the Self-Insurance Fund.

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5. Revised Application No. 19 and Certificate for Payment to Crossland Heavy Contractors in the amount of \$162,365.45, on the Water Treatment Facility Process Improvements (Phase 2) project. NOTE: amount shown on agenda \$162, 875.37 was incorrect.
6. The City of Coweta's selection of three (3) nominees to serve on the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) Board of Trustees.
7. Declaration of surplus on the following equipment and authorize the City Manager to dispose of accordingly: Dell Dimension 3000 (S/N B97D071), Dell Dimension 3000 (S/N 197D71), Dell Dimension 3000 (S/N G97D071), Dell Dimension 2400 (S/N270PP31), Dell Dimension 2300 (S/N 9V4S421), Dell Dimension 2300 (S/N 9V4S421), Dell Dimension 4500 (S/N 2QKPY11), Dell Dimension 4550 (S/N GY4B921), Dell Dimension 4500 (S/N 3QKPY11), Dell Dimension 4500 (S/N GG5BN11), Dell Dimension 3000 (S/N HBM5Z71), HP Workstation XW4200 (S/N2UA54119GY), HP Workstation XW4200 (S/N 2UA54119NJ), HP Pavilion 7955 (S/NPB075U#ABA), HP Compaq d530 (S/NCAC44902BO), ULTRA Pentium 4 and an ULTRA Pentium III.
8. Approve Councilmember Roy Dale's reimbursement for reasonable costs for mileage, hotel accommodations, meals and other appropriate items in reference to a Texas trip with Greg Collins in order to review possible additional sculptures for the continuation of the current public art program.

Aye: Timothy Kelley
Steve Garman
Billy Embrey
Robbie Morton

Abstain: Roy Dale

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion held regarding possible action on the presentation of the 2014 Business Appreciation Award. Mayor Morton presented Mrs. Reena Patel, owner of the two Subway restaurants in Coweta and the Best Western Hotel currently being constructed.

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Motion by Mayor Morton, second by Roy Dale, to award Mrs. Reena Patel with the 2014 Business Appreciation Award.

Aye: Steve Garman
Roy Dale
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

City Manager Steve Whitlock stated that a notice was published in the newspaper advising that the public hearing on the proposed FY 2014-2015 Capital/Operating Budget for all funds was scheduled to be heard at the Council/PWA/CIDA regular meetings tonight. Mayor Morton opened the public hearing and called for comments from the audience; there were no comments. Mayor Morton then closed the public hearing.

Consideration was given to a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Resolution No. 2014-04, a resolution of the City of Coweta, Oklahoma, adopting the budget for the General Fund, Street and Alley Fund, Cemetery Fund, Library Fund, Rural Fire Fund, Self Insurance Fund, E911 Fund, Sinking Fund and Capital Improvement Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, and providing for the investment of said funds.

Motion by Steve Garman, second by Roy Dale, to authorize the Mayor to sign Resolution No. 2014-04, a resolution of the City of Coweta, Oklahoma, adopting the budget for the General Fund, Street and Alley Fund, Cemetery Fund, Library Fund, Rural Fire Fund, Self Insurance Fund, E911 Fund, Sinking Fund and Capital Improvement Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, and providing for the investment of said funds.

Aye: Steve Garman
Roy Dale
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

Presentation by the Wagoner County Tobacco Use Prevention Coalition concerning making Coweta park areas as "tobacco free zones." Ms. Johna Sue Blair and Ms. Louise Micolites gave the presentation for making the park areas tobacco free zones, and information on grants for Certified Healthy Communities. Consensus of the Council was to review the grant application. No action taken.

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Discussion held regarding possible action on the acceptance of the audited Basic Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013. Mr. Floyd Langley, auditor with the firm of Langley and Littlefield presented the audit and advised that he is very impressed with the City of Coweta, we have good control systems and accuracy. Mr. Langley mentioned his findings of the need for established polices related to efficient closing procedures and timely production of financial information. Councilmember Garman asked if this finding would affect the City's ability to qualify for grants and Mr. Langley said it would not.

Motion by Roy Dale, second by Timothy Kelley, to accept the audited Basic Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013.

Aye: Steve Garman
Roy Dale
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

Discussion held regarding possible action on an update on the current water and wastewater capital improvement projects. City Engineer Chip Cohrs advised that staff is going through a learning process for operating the new water treatment plant. He also advised that the new ultrasonic flow meter has been installed at the wastewater treatment plant, and that the disinfection process has been started up for this season. Councilmember Dale asked if the electrical issues have been resolved and was advised that we believe they have been.

Consideration was given to a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Resolution No. 2014-09, a resolution establishing expenditure percentages for revenues received through Gross Receipts Tax proceeds. City Manager Steve Whitlock advised that the percentages have been revised to add 5% for arts and humanities expenditures as discussed at the April 4th Council Retreat meeting. Consensus of the Council was to wait until future meeting for further consideration.

Discussion held regarding possible action on the outcomes of the Government Stability Test results. City Manager Steve Whitlock advised that the information in the packet is the result of surveys taken by Councilmembers and staff at the April 4th retreat. Mr. Whitlock asked for suggestions on how to improve the three lowest rankings, and bring suggestions back to the Council, at a future meeting, for further discussion.

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Discussion held related to possible action on the results of the "What Would You Do with \$20,000, \$200,000, \$2,000,000" group exercise. Mr. Whitlock advised that this is also a continuation of discussion held at the April 4th retreat, and advised that the items listed are suggestions made at the retreat. He asked Councilmembers to rank the items and bring back, to a future meeting, for further discussion.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Motion by Billy Embrey, second by Timothy Kelley, to go into Executive Session.

Aye: Steve Garman
Roy Dale
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussions held related to a pending claim and claims related to new water customers involving Rural Water District No. 5 v. City of Coweta, in accordance with 25 O.S. § 307, (B)4.

Discussions held related to the FY 2014-2015 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local No. 3483, in accordance with O.S. 25 §307(B)(2).

Motion by Roy Dale, second by Steve Garman, to return to open meeting.

Aye: Steve Garman
Roy Dale
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

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Motion by Roy Dale, second by Steve Garman, to continue to provide water service to existing and new customers, in Country Crossing and Sugarhill Subdivisions, until Rural Water District No. 5 has made service available, and to direct staff to issue building permits in those two subdivisions.

Aye: Steve Garman
Roy Dale
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Morton adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.



Robert Morton, Mayor

Joyee Terry, City Clerk