

MINUTES OF THE COWETA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2013

7:00 P.M.

The members of the Coweta City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 2, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at Coweta City Hall, 310 South Broadway, Coweta, Oklahoma.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Morton, Roy Dale (arrived at 7:15 p.m.), Billy Embrey, Steve Garman, Timothy Kelley.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

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

- 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

City Manager Steve Whitlock thanked Councilmember Garman and the First Christian Church for the breakfast they provided to the Public Works staff; it was very much appreciated.

Mr. Whitlock also reminded everyone that the City Christmas party will be held Friday, December 6th, and the parade will be on Saturday, December 7th.

V. CONSENT

Motion by Billy Embrey, second by Robert Morton, to approve consent calendar items:

1. Minutes of the Coweta City Council regular meeting held on November 4, 2013.
2. November 2013 payroll figures for the General Fund in the amount of \$231,083.46 and \$1,974.01 for the Self-Insurance Fund.
3. Approval of Application No. 14 and Certificate for Payment to Crossland Heavy Contractors, in the amount of \$864,583.92, on the Water Treatment Facility Process Improvements (Phase 2) project.

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4. Resolution No. 2013-27, a resolution extending the Housing Development Impact Fees moratorium for the City of Coweta.
5. Approve Allowance Authorization No. 4 with Crossland Heavy Contractors, in the amount of \$3,046.03, on the Water Treatment Facility Process Improvements (Phase 2) project.

Aye: Steve Garman
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion held regarding possible action on Ordinance No. 743, an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance of the City of Coweta, Wagoner County, Oklahoma, more specifically amending Part 10, Chapter 3, Section 10-303, Fireworks Restricted, changing dates the sale of fireworks can occur within the City of Coweta, Oklahoma; establishing penalties for noncompliance, repealing all ordinances to the contrary, and declaring an emergency. City Manager Steve Whitlock explained that this ordinance reflects the consensus of Councilmembers when this item was discussed at the November Council Meeting, and extends the dates of sale for fireworks to July 5th and July 6th.

Motion by Steve Garman, second by Timothy Kelley, to approve Ordinance No. 743, an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance of the City of Coweta, Wagoner County, Oklahoma, more specifically amending Part 10, Chapter 3, Section 10-303, Fireworks Restricted, changing dates the sale of fireworks can occur within the City of Coweta, Oklahoma; establishing penalties for noncompliance, repealing all ordinances to the contrary, and declaring an emergency.

Aye: Steve Garman
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

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Consideration was given to a motion declaring an emergency on Ordinance No. 743 making it effective immediately.

Motion by Billy Embrey, second by Timothy Kelley, to declare an emergency on Ordinance No. 743, making it effective immediately.

Aye: Steve Garman
Timothy Kelley
Billy Embrey
Robert Morton

Discussion held regarding an update on the current water and wastewater capital improvements projects. City Manager Steve Whitlock advised that several people toured the water treatment facility in November in order to see progress made; he advised that staff from the City of Tulsa, City of Broken Arrow and the City of Sand Springs were there along with several Councilmembers, City staff and project engineers with Professional Engineering Consultants. City Engineer Chip Cohrs advised that the raw water pump station was started about two weeks ago, and couple of problems were discovered and were currently being repaired. Mr. Cohrs also advised that the Orica Miex system was scheduled to start January 13, 2014. Vice-Mayor Embrey asked Public Works Director Rob Werley if the water plant operators were concerned with operating the new plant; Mr. Werley advised that they were training on the system, and had been watching the ongoing construction so felt they felt fairly confident in the operations. Councilmember Kelley asked if standing water in the pipes would be a problem with cold temperatures; both Mr. Cohrs and Mr. Werley expressed that there should not be any problems with this. No action taken.

Councilmember Dale arrived at the meeting.

Consideration was given to a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Resolution No. 2013-29, a resolution confirming the declaration of surplus of real property owned by the City of Coweta, Oklahoma, and authorizing bids for purchase of said real property. City Manager Steve Whitlock reviewed the staff report in the Council packets, and Community Development Greg Collins advised that the property was landlocked, not in City limits, and was surrounded by other properties. Mr. Collins advised that staff recommends approval, and authorization to go forward with sale of property with a minimum bid price of \$2,000.00.

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Motion by Billy Embrey, second by Timothy Kelley, to authorize the Mayor to sign Resolution No. 2013-29, a resolution confirming the declaration of surplus of real property owned by the City of Coweta, Oklahoma, and authorizing bids for purchase of said real property, with a minimum bid price of \$2000.00.

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

Discussion held regarding possible action on authorizing the City Manager to complete repairs to the traffic signalization system located at SH-51 and Broadway. City Manager Steve Whitlock advised that temporary repairs have been made, so the light is working; however, final repairs maybe cost between \$20,000 to \$30,000. Mr. Whitlock also advised that the party that caused the accident does have insurance, but he may not have enough to cover the claim. Councilmember Garman asked if there were any thoughts of installing a barrier around the traffic signal box. Mr. Whitlock advised that staff was looking into doing something to help protect it.

Motion by Steve Garman, second by Roy Dale, to authorize the City Manager to proceed with repairs to the traffic signalization system located at SH-51 and Broadway, and to issue payment.

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

VII. NEW BUSINESS (business which was not foreseen prior to the posting of this agenda).

There was no new business.

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Motion by Timothy Kelley, second by Roy Dale, 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 involving Rural Water District No 5 v. City of Coweta, in accordance with 25 O.S. § 307 B(4).

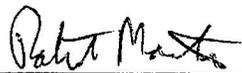
Motion by Timothy Kelley, second by Billy Embrey, to return to open meeting.

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

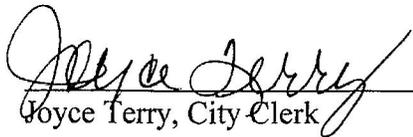
IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Morton adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.





Robert Morton, Mayor



Joyce Terry, City Clerk