

**CITY OF PURCELL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 5, 2019
6:00 P.M.
COMMUNITY ROOM OF THE
POLICE SERVICE BUILDING
1515 N GREEN**

MINUTES

1. Call to order and declaration of a quorum present.

Mayor Cox called the meeting to order and declared a quorum to be present at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

Roll call was conducted by City Clerk, Dorothy Kennedy, with the following results:

Councilmen present: Danny Jacobs, Theda Engert, Jay Tate, Ted Cox

Councilmen absent: Graham Fishburn was absent at roll call but joined the meeting already in progress at 6:11 p.m.

Staff: Dale Bunn, Victor Lohn, Dorothy Kennedy, Rocky Claunch, Kevin Williams, Teddy Boles, John Blue, Tommy Mize, Cody Penner

Legal counsel: Ted Haxel

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Cox led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bunn offered the invocation.

4. Welcome.

Mayor Cox welcomed guests.

5. Discussion of Agenda items.

Mayor Cox called for any discussion of agenda items. There was no discussion.

6. Approve the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of minutes for July 1, 2019 Meetings.
- b. Approval payment of claims as presented in the Council Expense Report in the amount of \$617,534.39
- c. Approval payment of Street & Alley Claims \$34.99.
- d. Approval payment of Capital Improvement Claims \$21,517.07.
- e. Approval payment of Rural Fire Claims \$53,600.00.
- f. Approval of estimated payroll in the amount of \$240,000.00.
- g. Approval of the Treasurer's Financial Report.
- h. Approval of the 2019-2020 Agreement for Library Services, Facilities and Maintenance with the Pioneer Library System.

Councilman Jacobs made a motion second by Councilwoman Engert to approve the Consent Agenda as written.

Yes: Jacobs, Engert, Tate, Cox

No: None Absent: Fishburn

7. Consideration and possible action on items removed from the Consent Agenda.

No items were removed.

8. Presentation and discussion of the Treasurer's Financial Report.

- Victor Lohn gave the June 2019 Financial Report.

- Sales Tax actual for the month of June 2019 versus projected for June 2019 is favorable. Actual for June 2018 versus June 2019 is favorable. Year to date ending was favorable as well.
- Use Tax actual for the month of June 2019 versus projected is favorable. Actual June 2018 versus June 2019 is favorable and favorable for the year to date as well.
- Tobacco Tax actual for the month of June 2019 versus projected is unfavorable. Actual June 2018 versus June 2019 and year to date is unfavorable.
- Fuel Excise actual for June 2019 versus is favorable and favorable year to date.
- General Fund variance for revenue versus expense is favorable for the month of June 2019. Year to date ended unfavorable.
- Public Works variances for revenue versus expenses for June 2019 is unfavorable. Year to date ended favorable.
- Electric Sales are down for June 2019 versus June 2018 and ended with the year to date favorable.
- Water Sales are down for June 2019 versus June 2018 and down for year to date totals.

9. Presentation and discussion of the City Manager Report.

Mr. Bunn reported on the following:

- The new water well test hole drilling was completed last week. The performance results should be available for the next Council Meeting. We had to build the site access road, which we had not been able to do before now due to the rains.
- The Hospital continues to work on that project and site selection.
- The official opening of the Purcell-Lexington Bridge was successful.
- Main StreetScape, trying to schedule an onsite plan review with ODOT.
- We are still working on the I-35 Interchange.
- We have experienced some changes in staffing due to retirements over the past months and there will be additional retirements in the future.

10. An address and possible discussion, from Bill Boyle, concerning water line infrastructure and fire hydrants specific concerns for fire hydrants located at 6th /Van Buren and at the south west corner of 9th Street at the School Bus Barn.

Mr. Boyle gave a verbal report, stating according to his observations he had noted that the City does not conduct maintenance on fire hydrants. He stated they need to be weeded to allow them to be visible. He added that the Fire Department has maps but his concern is that if we had to utilize mutual aid it might be a problem. He added that they are not all dug out in order to allow easier access to the connections. Mr. Boyle advised he had prepared a report of maintenance needs with pictures attached and presented it to the Fire Department. Mr. Boyle advised that he had turned the maintenance report to the Fire Department. He also reported that he had told them that he would like to join the Volunteer Fire Department and take over maintenance of that type. He was advised that there was no funding for an insurance policy to cover it.

Councilman Fishburn joined the meeting already in progress at 6:11 p.m.

One suggestion that Mr. Boyle made was that the City consider amending wording in the Code of Ordinances, Section 38.52 under the Fire Chief Duties number 2 where it reads "the Fire Chief *may* inspect twice per year" to "the Fire Chief *shall* inspect twice per year". Mr. Boyle advised he was told they were short on man power.

Mr. Boyle stated one observation was a maintenance problem for the hydrant in front of the Elementary School. Mr. Boyle commended the City and Mr. Bunn and the City for timely repair. Mr. Boyle stated that he feels some of these things are an issue.

Mayor Cox thanked Mr. Boyle for his report. He stated that infrastructure is a matter that is important to this Council, using the example of the replacement of water lines in the downtown area.

Grants in the amount of \$150,000. The Terminal Apron project is a large project and we are currently banking grant funding in order to do construct it at a later time. He advised he believe in 2020. This is a design only in the amount of the project is \$61,800 with the City portion \$6,180 a 10% match \$6,180.

Councilman Fishburn made a motion second by Councilman Jacobs to approve Resolution No. 19-C11 for Design Only - Reconstruct Terminal Apron.

Yes: Fishburn, Jacobs, Engert, Tate, Cox No: None Absent: None

20. Discussion and possible action concerning a proposal from Telco Supply (TSC) for new phone systems for the Police, Fire, City Hall, City Yard, Golf Course and Multi Purpose Center including the South Fire Station, price from State Bid Contract ITSW1006A.

Mr. Rhoads reported that the phone system at the police and Fire facilities are approximately 18 years old. The plan is to integrate the entire city to the same phone system. The exception is the Cemetery and Airport. The cost came in at \$60,398.99 and is on State Bid.

Mr. Bunn advised this was included in the Budget at approximately \$58,000.

Councilman Jacobs made a motion second by Councilman Fishburn to approve agenda item as written.

Yes: Jacobs, Fishburn, Engert, Tate, Cox No: None Absent: None

21. Discussion and possible action concerning Resolution No. 19-C12 a Resolution Approving State of Oklahoma Department of Transportation Speed Zone Modification on State Highway 39.

Mayor Cox stated this includes approximately the first mile going out of town west on Highway, 39 dropping the speed limit from 65 miles per hour to 55 miles per hour.

Councilman Tate made a motion second by Councilman Jacobs to approve Resolution 19-C12 as written.

Yes: Tate, Jacobs, Fishburn, Engert, Cox No: None Absent: None

22. Discussion and possible action concerning the possibility of purchasing two Chevrolet Tahoe 4X4 Police Units from the following venders of State Bid Pricing:

- a. Carter Chevrolet \$37,893.00
- b. Vance Chevrolet \$36,679.00

Chief Williams reported that both agencies are taken from State Bid pricing. He advised they are the same vehicle and recommended Vance Chevrolet.

Councilman Jacobs made a motion second by Councilman Fishburn to approve the purchase as written with the bid going to Vance Chevrolet at \$36,679.

Yes: Jacobs, Fishburn, Tate, Engert, Cox No: None Absent: None

23. Discussion and possible action concerning a recommendation from the Purcell Parks & Recreation Board to appoint Kevin Little and Josh Huff to the Parks & Recreation Board.

Cody Penner advised both persons are active in the community and live in the City Limits.

Councilman Engert made a motion second by Councilman Fishburn to approve the appointment of Kevin Little and Josh Huff to the Parks & Rec's Board.

Yes: Engert, Fishburn, Jacobs, Tate, Cox No: None Absent: None

24. Discussion and possible action concerning RESOLUTION 19-C13 COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE A 50% SHARE OF THE NECESSARY FUNDS AND WORKMANSHIP TO CONSTRUCT AND ALL FUNDS TO MAINTAIN THE CITY OF PURCELL McCURDY PARK PROJECT THE ESTIMATED VALUE OF THE LOCAL SHARE IS \$182,609.

Cody Penner advised this is for three different playgrounds age specific as well as sidewalks levels and rehabbing the McCurdy Park Restroom. The playgrounds are handicap accessible. The other half of the grant is the Department of Tourism.

28. An address and possible discussion from Ryan Rogers concerning the possibility of Purcell building a swimming pool.

Mr. Rogers was not in attendance and no discussion or action was taken.

29. Discussion and possible action concerning City water testing policy of the Lake during swimming season.

Councilman Tate asked the question "are we testing the lake water once per week now, is that the current policy? Mr. Penner advised yes once per week, on Tuesday's.

Councilman Tate asked if the results are posted somewhere. Mr. Penner advised the results are posted on the website.

Councilman Tate asked what number we are using. Mr. Bunn advised we will post at the beach when it is 320 or above. Councilman Tate stated since the EPA uses the recommendation of 235 and Oklahoma City uses, he would like to see us use 235. Mayor Cox asked Mr. Haxel if this request would fall under a management issue or would we need an ordinance? Mr. Haxel's response was if he were asked the same question from the City Manager he would advise him to bring it to the Council.

Mr. Bunn advised EPA's number is 320, if you have a program in place to improve the quality of the water. The EPA standard number is 410. He advised he is unfamiliar with the other number (235). Councilman Fishburn stated he felt we need an expert to explain what it really means before we make changes.

Councilman Jacobs reiterated that we are currently testing weekly. The question remains what number do we use? Mr. Bunn stated a possibility may be to show these different ratings and let people make their own decision. He advised he would like to include the number 235 although it is a little confusing after EPA issuing pretty clear guidelines that he had seen.

Mr. Bunn stated that the Department of Environmental has no guidelines other than concerning blue-green algae.

Mr. Bunn stated currently we post the result of the testing. We also state that the National Parks Service and the Chickasaw Recreation Area use the guideline of 100. Mr. Bunn reported EPA in the records he had found the standard number state 410 or 310 if you had a program in place to improve water quality. He advised he would be glad to include the number 235 on the informational page as information only. We are not closing the beach, we may post. If we are going to post on results other than the 320, he requested guidance as to what that would be.

Mr. Haxel made the recommendation that Councilman Tate submit his information to Mr. Bunn for further research. Mayor Cox advised if Parks & Recreation comes back with an ordinance using one number.

*Mayor Cox declared the meeting to be in recess at 7:16 p.m.
in order to go into the Purcell Public Works Authority meeting.*

*Mayor Cox declared the City Council Meeting to be in joint
meeting with the Purcell Public Works Authority at 7:30 p.m.*

30. EXECUTIVE SESSION: DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION RE: AN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH 25 O. S. 307 § (B) (3).

a. Discussion and consideration concerning the purchase or acquisition of certain land or property in accordance with 25 O.S. 307 § (B) (3).

Mayor/Chairman Cox made a motion second by Councilman/Trustee Jacobs to enter into Executive Session, with the following persons entering: Council Members/Trustees who are present, the City/Trust Manager, Dale Bunn and City/Trust Counsel, Ted Haxel at 7:31 p.m.

Yes: Cox, Jacobs, Fishburn, Engert, Tate, No: None Absent: None

Mayor/Chairman Cox made a motion second by Councilman/Trustee Tate to return to regular joint session at 7:50 p.m.

Yes: Cox, Tate, Engert, Fishburn, Jacobs No: None Absent: None

31. EXECUTIVE SESSION: DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 25 O. S. 307 § (B) (3)

a. Discussion and consideration concerning the purchase or acquisition of certain land or property in accordance with 25 O.S. 307 § (B) (3).

Mayor/Chairman Cox declared no action taken on Executive Session.

32. City Council comments.

Councilman/Trustee Tate reported that Father Chamberlin applied for a matching grant to employ the elderly. Councilman Tate stated he is mentioning it in the since it could tie in with some of the dilapidated structures. He asked Mr. Bunn how the Citizen Reporting on the website is working. Mr. Bunn advised it should be working. There was a problem from the mobile site he believed it is working correctly now. He asked Mr. Bunn what he would think about putting the City Manager Report on Facebook or the Website. Mr. Bunn advised it had been mentioned before but he is having some problems in how to convert it to a usable form.

Councilman/Trustee Tate asked the cost for insurance to cover Mr. Boyles. Mr. Bunn advised that he did not recall. He advised he left it up to the Fire Department as to who they want to work with. Councilman/Trustee Jacobs advised that they do not want to work with him. Mr. Bunn advised the Fire Department has reported that they can connect their hoses to the hydrants and can handle the situation.

Councilwoman/Trustee Engert asked if we need security cameras at the Basket Ball Court. Mr. Bunn advised he will need to get back on this.

Councilman/Trustee Fishburn advised the Basket Ball Courts are a big hit. The Bridge ceremony went great. He advised we have a special community. We are making it better step by step.

Councilman/Trustee Jacobs reported on the basketball court at the Multi-Purpose Center. The goal at the northeast corner the water ponds. Councilman/Trustee Jacobs advised in his experience he has discovered when it freezes if there is water there the cement will begin to crack. Mr. Bunn advised there is a meeting scheduled tomorrow concerning that issue.

Councilman/Trustee Jacobs reported numerous complaints about the plants on Green Avenue, particularly the crepe myrtle. He asked if the ODOT Committee and a Community Committee were involved in the planning stage. They want every crepe myrtle removed. Chief Williams verified there are intersections on Green Avenue in which vision is hindered making it difficult to see oncoming vehicles and it is worse in different times of day. Mr. Bunn advised he would have them cut back.

Mayor/Chairman Cox reported that the new sidewalk from the High School to the Junior High has a fire hydrant in the middle of the sidewalk. It apparently was existing and when the sidewalk was constructed it was build with the hydrant in the middle. He asked whose responsibility is it to move the hydrant the City or the School. Mr. Bunn reported the school.

33. City Manager and staff comments.

Mr. Bunn or Staff had no comments.

34. City Attorney comments.

Mr. Haxel did not make any comments.

35. Adjourn.

Mayor Cox declared the meeting to be adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

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Passed and approved this 3rd day of September 2019

Ted Cox, Mayor

Attest:

Dorothy Kennedy, City Clerk