

MINUTES
TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 5, 2015 - 7:00 PM

1. MEETING CONVENED

Meeting **called to order** – Mayor Nichols at 7:05 pm.
The City Clerk, Deb Corn, called **the roll** as follows:

Present:	Councilor Ward I	Diane Weston
	Councilor Ward II	Dr. Charles Carroll
	Councilor Ward III	Maurice Turney
	Councilor Ward IV	Linda Spyres

Others present: Assistant City Administrator Kevin Smith, Administrative Assistant Amy Scott, Human Resource Director Jessica Petty, Police Chief Nate King, Finance Director Marcie Gilliam, Stormwater Manager Clinton Johnson, Compliance Officer Michael Grey, Solid Waste Services Superintendent Les Ford, Assistant Emergency Management Director Mike Underwood, News Media Josh Newton.

Invocation – Youth Pastor Todd Drake from the 29Eleven Church.

Flag salute.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Weston requested that the following item be removed from Consent Agenda and discussed in Regular Session:

Approve General Fund **Budget Amendment** # 01 in the amount of \$2,450.00, to increase budget due to donations from individuals for employee Christmas Party

Councilor Weston made the motion and Councilor Spyres seconded to approve the rest of the consent agenda as follows:

Approve the **minutes** of the December 1, 2014 City Council Meetings

Acknowledge receipt of November 2014 **Financial Report**

Approve General Fund **Reallocation** in the amount of \$1,445.30, for December 2014 step raises

Promote Daniel Howell from a part-time dispatcher to a full-time dispatcher in the **Police Department** at Grade 3 Step 1 and an annual salary of \$23,335.00

Hire Jamicia Trammel as a part-time 999-hour dispatcher in the **Police Department** with a salary of \$8.90 an hour

Accept the **resignation** of Matt Smith from the **Fire Department**, effective January 1, 2015

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Turney, Spyres, Weston Nays: none Motion carried.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

Report from Library – none.

Report from Tahlequah Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Report from Chamber of Commerce.

Report from the Tahlequah Main Street Association.

Reports from City Departments: Street Department, IT Department, Stormwater Management, Compliance Office, Police Department, Solid Waste Services

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5. After further explanation Councilor Carroll made the motion and Councilor Weston seconded to approve General Fund **Budget Amendment** # 01 in the amount of \$2,450.00, to increase budget due to donations from individuals for employee Christmas Party

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Turney, Spyres, Weston Nays: none Motion carried.

6. After lengthy discussion on the compliance and exemptions of Ordinance 1204-2014 there was no action to approve **Ordinance** No. 1212-2013, exempting existing **dumpsters** from Ordinance No. 1204-2013. Mayor Nichols will bring back both ordinances with some wording changes for the Council to decide on.

No action taken.

7. Scott Wright was unable to attend so there was no discussion on the **Plat Application** from Scott Wright for the Woodlands of Southridge, located west of the intersection of Mill Road and Southridge Road.

No action needed.

8. Compliance Officer Michael Grey gave the Council a monthly **update from the Compliance** Department and said that he would be able to print one anytime it was requested. No action was needed.

No action taken.

9. Councilor Spyres made the motion and Councilor Carroll seconded to adopt **Resolution** No. 01-05-15, affirming the City of Tahlequah's support for favorable consideration to be given to **MACO Development** Company, LLC for a credit award from the **Oklahoma Housing Finance Authority** for construction of a 60-unit one-bedroom housing development to be known as Westwood Estates.

Vote: Ayes: Weston, Carroll, Turney, Spyres Nays: none Motion carried.

10. Councilor Carroll made the motion and Councilor seconded Spyres to ratify **Ordinance** No. 1221-2014, **rezoning** property located along the east side of Highway 62 (82) north By-pass, south of Crafton Street and north of Downing Street from R-1 Single Family Residential Zoning District to C-2 General Commercial District, with the exclusion of R-3 Multiple-

Family Dwelling District. This ordinance was passed by Council on 11-17-2014 but failed to get published in the paper within the 15 day deadline.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Turney, Spyres, Weston Nays: none Motion carried.

11. Councilor Spyres made the motion and Councilor Carroll seconded to **purchase** 2 Ford **Explorers** from Stuteville Ford at the state contract price.

Vote: Ayes: Turney, Spyres, Weston, Carroll Nays: none Motion carried.

12. The **mid-month** special **meeting** will be on January 20, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

No action taken.

13. Councilor Spyres made the motion and Councilor Weston seconded to **adjourn** at 8:29 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Spyres, Weston, Carroll, Turney Nays: none Motion carried.