

MINUTES
TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2015 - 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 111 S. CHEROKEE AVE.

1. Mayor Nichols called the meeting of the City Council **to order** at 7:02 pm in the City Council Chambers at 111 S. Cherokee Avenue.

2. City Clerk Deb Corn called the **roll** as follows:

Present:	Councilor Ward I	Diane Weston
	Councilor Ward II	Dr. Charles Carroll
	Councilor Ward III	Stephen Highers
	Councilor Ward IV	Joshua Bliss

Others present: City Attorney Park Medearis, City Treasurer Lanny Williams, Assistant City Administrator Kevin Smith, Administrative Assistant Amy Scott, Emergency Management Director Mike Underwood, Human Resource Director Jessica Petty, Fire Chief Ray Hammons, News Media Josh Newton.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Nichols suspended the agenda to item # 5.

4. During discussion on the proposed budget Council recommended to leave the Code Enforcement and Animal Control under Managerial instead of moving them under the Police Department and to move \$125,000.00 from the Comprehensive Plan amount to General Fund. Mayor Nichols suspended the discussion until the Finance Director could make the changes. After item # 7 the discussion returned to the budget. Councilor Carroll made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to approving Resolution No. 06-15-15, **adopting** the FY 2015-2016 Tahlequah City **Budget**.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Highers, Bliss, Weston Nays: none Motion carried.

5. **Report** from the Tahlequah Area Convention and Visitors Bureau on the 2014-2015 Year Ending Lodging Tax Revenue and **TACVB** Expenses by Melissa Harris.

No action needed by Council.

6. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Weston seconded to approve **Resolution** No. 06-15-15 (B), continued participation in the Oklahoma **Main Street** Center.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Bliss, Weston, Carroll Nays: none Motion carried.

7. Council discussed whether they could spend money out of the next fiscal year budget before July 1. They decided to place this item on the July 6, 2015 agenda for approval. No action was taken to approve the **Contract** with Tahlequah **Main Street** Association for 2015-2016.

No action taken.

8. There were concerns about approving a **job description** with the job title of Administrative Assistant to the Chief of **Police** because the Assistant Police Chief is also associated with the same title. This item will come back at the next meeting with a new job title.

No action taken by Council.

9. Councilor Weston made the motion and Councilor Carroll seconded to approve Restricted Sales & Use Tax Fund II **Budget Amendment** # 01 in the amount of \$49,865.07, to increase the budget due to difference in projected revenues and transfers during budget process.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Highers, Bliss, Weston Nays: none Motion carried.

10. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to approve Restricted Sales & Use Tax Fund I **Budget Amendment** # 01 in the amount of \$33,243.36, to increase the budget due to difference in projected revenues and transfers during budget process.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Bliss, Weston, Carroll Nays: none Motion carried.

11. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Weston seconded to renew the **Interlocal Agreement** on the handling of **Juvenile Cases** between the District Court, Fifteenth Judicial District, and the City of Tahlequah, effective June 30, 2015 – June 30, 2016.

Vote: Ayes: Bliss, Weston, Carroll, Highers Nays: none Motion carried.

12. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Weston seconded to table the **renewal** of the **Blackboard Connect Contract**.

Vote: Ayes: Weston, Carroll, Highers, Bliss Nays: none Motion carried.

13. Councilor Highers made the motion and Councilor Bliss seconded to approve Tahlequah B.E.S.T. 15 Grant **Budget Amendment** #01 in the amount of \$6,000.00, for the enforcement of laws dedicated to prevent underage drinking.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Highers, Bliss, Weston Nays: none Motion carried.

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14. **PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Highers seconded to exit regular session and enter into executive session at 8:48 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Bliss, Weston, Carroll Nays: none Motion carried.

❖ Discussion on the 2015-2016 **contract** with **IAFF Local 4099**, as provided in O. S. Title 25, Section 307 (B) (2).

15. Mayor Nichols **reconvened the regular** meeting at 9:19 pm.

No action taken by Council.

16. There was no action on the 2015-2016 **contract** with **IAFF Local 4099**.

No action taken by Council.

17. Councilor Bliss made the motion and Councilor Weston seconded **adjourn** at 9:20 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Carroll, Highers, Bliss, Weston Nays: none Motion carried.