

MINUTES
TAHLEQUAH CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 29th, 2018 - 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 111 S. CHEROKEE AVE.

1. **MEETING CONVENED**

2. Meeting **called to order** by Mayor Nichols at 7:04 pm.
City Clerk DeAnna Hammons Called the **Roll call as follows:**

Present:	Councilor Ward I	Bree Long
	Councilor Ward II	Dower Combs
	Councilor Ward III	Stephen Highers

Absent:	Councilor Ward IV	Joshua Bliss
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OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Grant Lloyd, City Administrator Ed Carr, Fire Chief Ray Hammons, Planning and Development Director Clinton Johnson, IT Department Randy Powell, Public Relations Jami Murphy, News Media Tesina Jackson.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS –**

Dr. John Uzzo made request regarding the compilation and City investments.

4. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to table the adoption of **Ordinance No. 1263-2018**, proposing a new "**Substantial Hotel Tax**" and related incentive rebate, as well as a related **Resolution and a related Memorandum of Understanding.**"

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Long Nays: Highers Motion carried

5. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to approve **a resolution authorizing the City to proceed with the condemnation of certain property located on East Ross Street and allowing Tim K. Baker, an attorney licensed in the State of Oklahoma and General Counsel Cherokee Nation Businesses, to assist as co-counsel in regard to said condemnation.**

Vote: Ayes: Long, Combs, Highers Nays: none Motion carried

6. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to **adopt Ordinance No. 1258-2018, rezoning** the property located on southeast corner of the intersection of **East Fourth Street and Kindle Avenue** from Single Family Dwelling District, R-1, to Two-Family Dwelling District, R-2.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

- Mayor Nichols recessed at 8:03 p.m.
- Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to reconvene regular meeting at 8:30 p.m.

7. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to table the **adoption of Ordinance No. 1259-2018, rezoning** the property located on southeast corner of the intersection of **Jamestown Drive and East Allen Road** from Single Family Dwelling District, R-1, to Two-Family Dwelling District, R-2.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Long, Combs Nays: none Motion carried

8. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to table the **adoption of Ordinance No. 1260-2018, rezoning** the property located on northwest corner of the intersection of **First Street and Mission Avenue** from Single Family Dwelling District, R-1, to Multiple-Family Dwelling District, R-3.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Combs, Highers Nays: none Motion carried

9. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **adopt Ordinance No. 1261-2018, rezoning** the property located near southwest corner of the intersection of **Choctaw Street and West Avenue** from Single Family Dwelling District, R-1, to General Commercial District, C-2.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

10. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to **adopt Ordinance No. 1262-2018, rezoning** the property located near southwest corner of the intersection of **Seminary Avenue and Vinita Avenue** from Single Family Dwelling District, R-1, to Multiple-Family Dwelling District, R-3.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Long, Combs Nays: none Motion carried

11. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Highers seconded to **approve a School Resource Officer Contract** between the **City of Tahlequah and Tahlequah Public Schools** for FY19.

Vote: Ayes: Long, Combs, Highers Nays: none Motion carried

12. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Highers seconded to **approve a Canine Contract** between the **City of Tahlequah and Tahlequah Public Schools**.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

13. Councilor Combs made a motion and Councilor Highers seconded to **request surplus funds** from the 2009 Bond issue from **Tahlequah Public Works Authority**.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Combs Nays: Long Motion carried

14. **Mayor Nicholes gave a Presentation** of the proposed FY 2018-2019 Tahlequah City Budget.

- Mayor combined agenda items no. 15-22

15. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **hire Aaron Lewis**, a full-time Collector in the **Solid Waste Department**.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

16. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **hire Kirk Hogner**, a part-time **Collector in the Solid Waste Department**.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

17. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **hire Kristin Berry and Kylee Snell** as **Lifeguards** in the **Recreation Department**.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

18. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **hire Luke Green and Ryan Davis** as 999 part-time Laborers, in the **Recreation Department**.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

19. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **hire Jessica Simmons and Madison Secratt** as 552 Laborers in the **Recreation Department**.

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

20. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **promote Neali Ferrell** from a Lifeguard **to the Head Lifeguard in the Recreation Department.**

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

21. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **hire Austin Davis**, as a part-time 999 Laborer, in the **Street Department.**

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

22. Councilor Long made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **hire Devin Fatherree**, as a part-time 999 Laborer, in the **Parks Department.**

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

23. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **approve the Rental and Operating Policy for Brookside, Armory Municipal Center and Norris Park**

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Long, Combs Nays: none Motion carried

24. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **approve Legal Service Agreements with Grant T. Lloyd and BJ Baker.**

Vote: Ayes: Long, Combs, Highers Nays: none Motion carried

25. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Combs seconded to **approve the Airport Courtesy Car Agreement.**

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried

26. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to exit regular session and enter into executive session at 9:55 p.m.

Vote: Ayes: Highers, Long, Combs Nays: none Motion carried

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- Discussion related to the possible purchase of **real property** located at or around the **800 Block of Guinn Avenue**, further described as Part of Lot 1 in Block 18 in the City Park Addition to the City of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point 8 feet North of the Southwest corner of said Lot; Thence North 50 feet; Thence East parallel to the South line of said Lot 1 to the Westerly line of Bluff Avenue; Thence Southwesterly along the Westerly line of Bluff Avenue, to a point due East of the

Point of Beginning, Thence West to the Point of Beginning, **as provided in 25 O.S. § 307 (B) (3).**

27. Mayor Nichols Reconvened regular meeting at 10:26 p.m.

28. No action taken to the possible **purchase** of **real property** located at or around the **800 Block of Guinn Avenue**, further described as Part of Lot 1 in Block 18 in the City Park Addition to the City of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point 8 feet North of the Southwest corner of said Lot; Thence North 50 feet; Thence East parallel to the South line of said Lot 1 to the Westerly line of Bluff Avenue; Thence Southwesterly along the Westerly line of Bluff Avenue, to a point due East of the Point of Beginning, Thence West to the Point of Beginning

29. Councilor Highers made a motion and Councilor Long seconded to **Adjourn at 10:27 p.m.**

Vote: Ayes: Combs, Highers, Long Nays: none Motion carried