

The regularly scheduled **Vinita Utilities Authority (VUA) Meeting** was held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Meeting Room, 104 East Illinois, Vinita, Oklahoma. Public notice of the meeting was given by posting the agenda at City Hall on December 30, 2021 at 2:20 p.m.

Legal Counsel: Leonard Logan

Mayor Hoskin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

1. The Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to Oklahoma Flag was led by Boy Scout Trevor Gastorf.
2. Roll Call. Members attending: Kevin Wofford, Roger Tyler, John Swift, Stephanie Hoskin, Dale Haire, Danny Lankford, Skip Briley, Terry Young. Absent: None

3. Recognition of visitors.

No cards or emails were submitted.

4. Consideration to approve Consent Agenda:

A. Minutes from the December 21, 2021 VUA Meeting.

B. VUA December 2021 Bills Payable.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Wofford, to approve Consent Agenda. Motion: Passed.

5. VUA Supervisor Report.

Electronic report submitted.

6. New Business.

None.

7. Adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Motion by Young, seconded by Tyler, to adjourn. Motion: Passed.

ATTEST:


Brian Prince, Secretary




Chuck Hoskin, Chairman

The regularly scheduled **Vinita City Council Meeting** was held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 immediately following the Vinita Utilities Authority (VUA) Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Meeting Room, 104 East Illinois, Vinita, Oklahoma. Public notice of the meeting was given by posting the agenda at City Hall on December 30, 2021 at 2:20 p.m.

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MEETING MINUTES

1. Roll Call. Members attending: Kevin Wofford, Roger Tyler, John Swift, Stephanie Hoskin, Dale Haire, Danny Lankford, Skip Briley, Terry Young. Absent: None

Motion by Haire, seconded by Young, to approve roll call from VUA Meeting. Motion: Passed.

2. Recognition of visitors.

Sarah Young speaking on item #7 responded that her SAN Kit was on the evidence shelf for 377 days and she believes that the Vinita Police Department is untrained. Not only the officers but the Chief of Police. The Chief should be familiar with the laws, procedures and issues within the department. What is best for our community is time for change and to be able to appoint a qualified officer for Chief of Police.

3. Consideration to approve Consent Agenda:

A. Actions taken during the VUA meeting.

B. Minutes from the December 21, 2021, City Council meeting.

Motion by Young, seconded by Haire, to approve Consent Agenda. Motion: Passed.

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Finance Ordinance 3775.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Haire, to approve Finance Ordinance 3775. Motion: Passed.

5. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Finance Ordinance 3775 Emergency Clause.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Haire, to approve Finance Ordinance 3775 Emergency Clause. Motion: Passed.

6. Discussion, consideration and possible action on possible public nuisance:

A. 403 S First; Debbie Tyler; Case #2021-0292

Code Enforcer Henry Goforth reported that this property has tall grass, trash, and debris. This is not the first time we have been on this property for clean up.

Motion by Lankford, seconded by Hoskin, to approve to declare the property to constitute a nuisance and authorize the Mayor to abate. Motion: Passed.

7. Discussion, consideration with recommendations from the Public Safety Committee on Ordinance No 3776 for the submission to vote of the registered voters of the City the question

providing for the appointment by the Mayor, to be confirmed by the City Council, of the office of the Chief of Police.

Council Member Danny Lankford is against this Ordinance. He believes that we all should keep our right to vote. People need to Vote. This is why it failed so badly before.

Council Member Terry Young noted that we are only a few departments that still elect their police chief. Let the people decide by passing this Ordinance.

Council Member Dale Haire Yes Lets let the people decide.

Roll Call Vote.

Motion by Young, seconded by Briley, to approve Ordinance No 3776 for the submission to vote of the registered voters of the City the question providing for the appointment by the Mayor, to be confirmed by the City Council, of the office of the Chief of Police. Aye votes: Young, Briley, Haire, Hoskin, Swift, Wofford. Nay votes: Lankford, Tyler. Motion carried 6-2.

8. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Appointment of Representative to The Board of Directors Grand Gateway Economic Development Association.

Mayor Chuck Hoskin and Allen Goforth

Motion by Haire, seconded by Wofford, to approve Appointment of Representative to The Board of Directors Grand Gateway Economic Development Association. Motion: Passed.

9. Department Reports:

City Clerk Brian Prince reported that a good Samaritan paid off December Utility Bill for 78 customers that were due to be shut off for nonpayment in the amount of \$5,326.53. The customers have called and stopped by and were very thankful for this kind act.

Mayor Hoskin recognized all the employees and thanked them for their continued hard work.

10. New Business.

None.

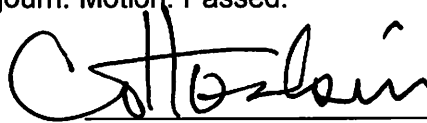
11. Adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Motion by Wofford, seconded by Briley, to adjourn. Motion: Passed.

ATTEST:


Brian Prince, City Clerk




Chuck Hoskin, Mayor