The regularly scheduled <u>Vinita Utilities Authority (VUA) Meeting</u> was held on Tuesday, March 15, 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 March 14, 2022 at 3:40 p.m.

Legal Counsel: Leonard Logan

Mayor Chuck 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 Councilman Skip Briley.
- 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 March 1, 2022 VUA Meeting.
  - B. Minutes from the March 11, 2022 Special VUA Meeting.

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

5. Discussion, consideration, and possible vote to go into executive session, pursuant to Title 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(1) for the purpose of confidential communications between the VUA Board and its attorney and holding discussions regarding the qualifications of applicants and interviewing potential candidates for possible appointment as VUA Superintendent of Public Utilities, a salaried public officer or employee, and discussions regarding the same.

Motion by Lankford, seconded by Wofford, to approve to go into executive session. Motion: Passed.

6. Vote to return to regular open meeting.

Motion by Briley, seconded by Tyler, to approve to regular open meeting. Motion: Passed.

No official business was taken during executive session.

7. Action taken from Executive Session.

After review and interview of the applicant the decision is to hire Jimmy Martin with a pay salary of \$65,000.00 with a six month probation period.

Motion by Lankford, seconded by Tyler, to approve to hire Jimmy Martin with a pay salary of \$65,000.00 with a six month probation period. Motion: Passed.

8. VUA Supervisor Report.

Report was submitted electronically.

9. New Business.

None.

10. Adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

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Brian Prince, Secretary

Chuck Hoskin, Chairman

The regularly scheduled <u>Vinita City Council Meeting</u> was held on Tuesday, March 15, 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 March 14, 2022 at 3:40 p.m.

Legal Counsel: Leonard Logan

Mayor Chuck Hoskin called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

## **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 Hoskin, seconded by Tyler, to approve roll call from VUA Meeting. Motion: Passed.

2. Recognition of Visitors.

No cards or emails were submitted.

- 3. Consideration to approve Consent Agenda:
  - A. Actions taken during the VUA meeting.
  - B. Minutes from the March 1, 2022, City Council meeting.

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

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action on the TOP SUBAWARD AGREEMENT; A \$24,000 grant from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce Targeted Opportunities Program for engaging in a site readiness consultant for the 170 acre Phase II Industrial Park.

This reimbursement grant will be to use a consultant on the 170 acre Phase II Park. Use the Economic Development PSO Account as an in and out for funds.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Tyler, to approve the TOP SUBAWARD AGREEMENT. Motion: Passed.

5. Discussion, consideration and possible action to adopt the month April by Proclamation as Fair Housing Month to be an included document in the Grand Gateway Vinita Public Library Grant.

This is a document required by the CDBG Grant. The City will provide public information about Fair Housing to the public.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Wofford, to approve to adopt the month April by Proclamation as Fair Housing Month. Motion: Passed.

- 6. Discussion, consideration and possible action ADA Renovation at Vinita Public Library:
  - A. Approve receipt of \$60,000.00 in funds from the White Foundation to use as part of the City of Vinita Leverage.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Haire, to approve receipt of \$60,000.00 in funds from the White Foundation to use as part of the City of Vinita Leverage. Motion: Passed.

B. Approve to move \$15,000.00 from Logan Fund to New Library Fund.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Swift, to approve to move \$15,000.00 from Logan Fund to New Library Fund. Motion: Passed.

C. Approve Invoice #239-001.21-01 in the amount of \$6,552.00 to Edmonson Design Group, INC for architectural and engineering design for ADA renovation at Vinita Public Library as part of the City of Vinita Leverage payment.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Swift, to approve Invoice #239-001.21-01 in the amount of \$6,552.00 to Edmonson Design Group. Motion: Passed.

7. Discussion, consideration and possible action to appoint Misty Deffenbaugh as the City of Vinita appointee for the Vinita Area Chamber of Commerce Board.

Mayor Hoskin recommended Misty Bingham as the City appointee.

Motion by Young, seconded by Wofford, to approve to appoint Misty Deffenbaugh as the City of Vinita appointee for the Vinita Area Chamber of Commerce Board. Motion: Passed.

8. Discussion, consideration and possible action to accept the Senior Center's Community Enhancement of Nutrition Assistance grant from Grand Gateway for new cabinets and installation in the amount of \$5,500.00.

Dale Haire noted that this will provide all new cabinets and installation in the Kitchen of the Senior Center.

Motion by Haire, seconded by Young, to approve to accept the Senior Center's Community Enhancement of Nutrition Assistance grant from Grand Gateway for new cabinets and installation in the amount of \$5,500.00. Motion: Passed.

9. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve City Wide Cleanup for the week of April 25 - April 30, 2022.

Motion by Wofford, seconded by Swift, to approve City Wide Cleanup for the week of April 25 - April 30, 2022. Motion: Passed.

10. Department Reports:

Cemetery/Parks/Street Departments reported that Miller Street is finishing up on the end curbs at the corners of the block. This is close to the last step before asphalt will begin.

Police Chief Mark Johnson reported that they are working on completing the process for E Tickets in all the units. Johnson also has received a grant and is currently working on quotes for body cameras. The two new officers were that hired will be starting their CLEET training soon.

Fire Chief Kevin Huxtable thanked his volunteer firefighters and those career firefighters that are helping the shift guys on all fires. Huxtable gave an update on equipment and grass fires in the area.

City Clerk Brian Prince thanked the council for approving the week of clean up and wanted to add that the utility customers must present their most current utility bill to have the free dump.

Mayor Hoskin thanked all of the city employees for their work especially during the snow storm. Hoskin also gave an update on the 24M investment from Cherokee Nation in our community from streets to health clinic and even roofs like the one for the Vinita Day Center. With this said he reported a theft at the Cherokee Attucks Building when someone stole the refrigerant and copper from the VPS Nutrition program building which is connected. There was thousands of dollars worth of food that could have spoiled but thanks to Carters grocery they were able to transport that food to their freezers. Mayor Hoskin thanked the Allen's for helping with this.

Mayor Hoskin askes Councilor Stephanie Hoskin to share a celebration currently going on which is the celebration of the American Legion which is 103 years old. She invited everyone to attend after the meeting to have some cake.

Chuck Hoskin, Mayor

11. New Business.

None.

12. Adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

Brian Prince, City Clerk