

The regularly scheduled **Vinita Utilities Authority (VUA) Meeting** was held on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, 5:30 p.m., City Council Meeting Room, 104 East Illinois, Vinita, Oklahoma. Public notice of the meeting was given by posting the agenda at City Hall on September 29, 2017, at 2:20p.m.

Legal Counsel: Leonard Logan

Chairperson Ronnie Starks called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

1. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout Tilden Branch.
2. Roll Call. Members present: Carol Austin, Danny Lankford, Denver Davenport, Dale Haire, Lawana Downing, Skip Briley, Jim Wisdom..Absent: Stephanie Hoskin
3. Recognition of visitors.

County Commissioner Lowell Walker
Executive Chamber Director Monica Bagwell.
Darrell Carver for item on City Council Meeting

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2017, VUA Meeting.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2017, VUA Meeting. Aye votes: Haire, Downing, Austin, Davenport, Lankford, Wisdom, Briley. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

5. Discussion, consideration and possible action on audit for FY 15-16 prepared by Ober and Littlefield.

Motion by Downing, seconded by Wisdom, to approve audit for FY 15-16 prepared by Ober and Littlefield. Aye votes: Haire, Downing, Austin, Davenport, Lankford, Wisdom, Briley. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

6. Discussion, consideration and possible action to move Star water meter readings to 1st of the month from 3rd week of the month.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve to move Star water meter readings to 1st of the month from 3rd week of the month. Aye votes: Haire, Downing, Austin, Davenport, Lankford, Wisdom, Briley. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

7. Discussion, consideration and possible action on reroofing buildings at Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Briley, to approve the reroofing of buildings at Wastewater Treatment Facility using Rocking G Roofing Systems for \$42,638.25. Aye votes: Haire, Downing, Austin, Davenport, Lankford, Wisdom, Briley. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

8. Discussion, consideration and possible action to hire Charlie Shaw, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Full-Time Water Department Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve to hire Charlie Shaw, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Full-Time Water Department Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period. Aye votes: Haire, Downing, Austin, Davenport, Lankford, Wisdom, Briley. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

9. Discussion, consideration and possible action to hire Tyler Lee, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Full-Time Water Department Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period.

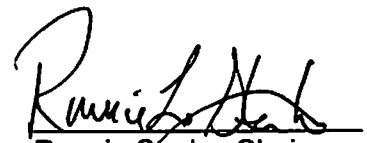
Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve to hire Tyler Lee, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Full-Time Water Department Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period. Aye votes: Haire, Downing, Austin, Davenport, Lankford, Wisdom, Briley. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

10. New Business.

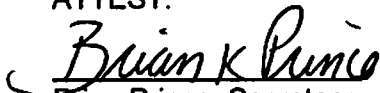
None

11. Adjourned at 6:03 pm




Ronnie Starks, Chairman

ATTEST:


Brian Prince, Secretary

The regularly scheduled **Vinita City Council Meeting** was held on Tuesday, October 3, 2017, 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 amended agenda at City Hall October 2, 2017, at 12:00 p.m.

Legal Counsel: Leonard Logan

Mayor Ronnie Starks called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

MEETING MINUTES

1. Roll Call - Members present: Carol Austin, Danny Lankford, Denver Davenport, Dale Haire, Lawana Downing, Skip Briley, Jim Wisdom. Absent: Stephanie Hoskin

2. Recognition of visitors.

Darrell Carver submitted card on item 12 B.

3. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve minutes from the September 7, 2017, Special City Council meeting.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve minutes from the September 7, 2017, Special City Council meeting. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve minutes from the September 19, 2017, City Council meeting.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve minutes from the September 19, 2017, Special City Council meeting. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

5. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve actions taken during the VUA meeting.

Motion by Downing, seconded by Austin, to approve actions taken during the VUA meeting. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

6. Discussion, consideration and possible action on:

A. Finance Ordinance No. 3668.

Motion by Lankford, seconded by Austin, to approve Finance Ordinance No. 3668. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

B. Emergency Clause.

Motion by Wisdom, seconded by Davenport, to approve Emergency Clause. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

7. Discussion, consideration and possible action for Employee Wayne Carpenter for Lump Sum Payment from OMRP Retirement Pension.

Motion by Briley, seconded by Davenport, to approve Employee Wayne Carpenter for Lump Sum Payment from OMRP Retirement Pension. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

8. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Notice of Resignation for Lieutenant Firefighter Joseph Hart and to transition to Volunteer Firefighter effective December 3, 2017.

Motion by Davenport, seconded by Briley, to approve Notice of Resignation for Lieutenant Firefighter Joseph Hart and to transition to Volunteer Firefighter effective December 3, 2017. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

9. Discussion, consideration and possible action to hire part time Code Enforcement Officer Ben Walkingstick, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing at \$11.00 an hour with 90 day probation.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve to hire part time Code Enforcement Officer Ben Walkingstick, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing at \$11.00 an hour with 90 day probation. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

10. Discussion, consideration and possible action to hire Christopher Hughes, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Full-Time Solid Waste Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period.

Motion by Wisdom, seconded by Austin, to approve to hire Christopher Hughes, upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Full-Time Solid Waste Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

11. Discussion consideration, and possible action on request from Craig County Cruisers and Holy Ghost Catholic Church to close the 300 block of N Scrapper from Sequoyah St to Tahlequah St during the RT 66 Car Show and Oktoberfest on October 14th, 7:00 am to 5:00pm.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Davenport, to approve to close the 300 block of N Scrapper from Sequoyah St to Tahlequah St during the RT 66 Car Show and Oktoberfest on October 14th, 7:00 am to 5:00pm. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

12. Discussion, consideration and possible action on:

- A. Harry Heard: 243 South 5th St - Order to clean and remove all trash, and trim, cut and mow all weeds, trees, shrubbery and grass (letter mailed September 11 2017; property posted September 12, 2017).

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve to declare the property 243 South 5th St to constitute a nuisance and authorize the Mayor to abate. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

- B. Darrell Ray Carver: 438 South Miller St - Order to clean and remove all trash, and trim, cut and mow all weeds, trees, shrubbery and grass (letter mailed September 11 2017; property posted September 12, 2017).

Property was cleaned up No Action Taken

13. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve Vinita Public Library Schedule of Regular Meeting of Library Board for 2018.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Haire, to approve Vinita Public Library Schedule of Regular Meeting of Library Board for 2018. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

14. Discussion, consideration and possible action to use new City Logo Design on Business Cards and Letterheads.

Motion by Downing, seconded by Lankford, to approve to use new City Logo Design on Business Cards and Letterheads upon Artist Carol Castor's approval. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

15. Department Head reports.

Fire Chief Kevin Wofford reported Fire Prevention Week is going on and is thankful for the Hydrant repair that has been going on thru out the town.

Street Commissioner Allen Goforth working on Water Hydrant Project.

Director of Operations Jim Whisenant is working with County Commissioners on Hwy 60 and I44 bridge exchange which has an extra bay on Hwy 60 that we will try to utilize for a high load bay for large trucks.

City Clerk Brian Prince reported that 2100 views and 89 shares on Facebook in 2 hours of publishing that day for the City of Vinita video.

16. New Business.

None

17. Vote to enter into executive session:

- A. Discuss employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee, pursuant to Title 25 O.S. 307 (B)(1): Jim Whisenant

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve to enter into executive session. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

18. Vote to return to regular meeting.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Downing, to approve to return to regular meeting. Aye votes: Austin, Downing, Briley, Wisdom, Davenport, Lankford, Haire. Nay votes: None. Motion carried.

19. Action taken from Executive Session.

Motion by Wisdom, to terminate Jim Whisenant. Motion failed, lack of second.

20. Adjourned a 7:19 pm.

ATTEST:



Brian Prince, City Clerk





Ronnie Starks, Mayor