

The regularly scheduled **Vinita Utilities Authority (VUA) Meeting** was held on Wednesday, January 15, 2019, 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 January 11, 2019, at 4:15 p.m.

Legal Counsel: Leonard Logan

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

MEETING MINUTES

1. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout Connor Millarr.
2. Roll Call. Members present: Denver Davenport, Roger Tyler, Carol Austin, Stephanie Hoskin, Dale Haire, Danny Lankford, Skip Briley, Jim Wisdom. Absent: None.
3. Recognition of visitors.

Denielle Shafer with Vinita Chamber of Commerce.
4. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2019 VUA Meeting.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Davenport, to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2019 VUA Meeting. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Wisdom, Austin. Nay votes Haire (Abstain). Motion carried.
5. New Business.

None.
6. Adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

ATTEST:


Brian Prince, Secretary




Ronnie Starks, Chairman

The regularly scheduled **Vinita City Council Meeting** was held on Wednesday January 15, 2019 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 January 11, 2019 at 4:15 p.m.

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MEETING MINUTES

1. Roll Call. Members present: Denver Davenport, Roger Tyler, Carol Austin, Stephanie Hoskin, Dale Haire, Danny Lankford, Skip Briley, Jim Wisdom. Absent: None.
2. Recognition of visitors.

No cards were submitted.
3. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve minutes from the January 2, 2019 City Council meeting.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Davenport, to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2019 City Council meeting. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Wisdom, Austin. Nay votes: Haire (Abstain). Motion carried.

*Council Member Jim Wisdom left meeting 5:33 PM
4. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve actions taken during the VUA meeting.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Davenport, to approve actions taken during the VUA meeting. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried
5. Discussion, consideration and possible action approve dates set by Vinita Chamber of Commerce for Food Truck Tuesday in South Park.

May – October and it will be the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Motion by Lankford, seconded by Briley, to approve dates set by Vinita Chamber of Commerce for Food Truck Tuesday in South Park. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried
6. Discussion, consideration and possible action to review Notice of City Code Violations:
 - A. 619 West Illinois Street.

Code enforcer Connor Couch recommended moving forward with the demolition abatement for this property.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Lankford, to approve to declare the property to constitute a public nuisance and authorize the Mayor to abate. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried

B. 236 North 2nd Street.

Code enforcer Connor Couch recommended moving forward with the demolition abatement for this property.

Motion by Briley, seconded by Austin, to approve to declare the property to constitute a public nuisance and authorize the Mayor to abate. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried

C. 103 South Gunter.

Code enforcer Connor Couch recommended moving forward with the weed and trash abatement for this property.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Hoskin, to approve to declare the property to constitute a public nuisance and authorize the Mayor to abate. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried

D. 438 North 2nd Street.

No Action.

7. Discussion, consideration and possible action to reappoint Mayor Ronnie Starks as our Representative for the Grand Gateway Board of Directors for 2019.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Haire, to approve to reappoint Mayor Ronnie Starks as our Representative for the Grand Gateway Board of Directors for 2019. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried

8. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve MOU Amending Article XIII, Section 4 of the agreement between City of Vinita and the International Association of Firefighters Local NO. 2814 for FY2018-19.

This will allow new firefighters hired during the Fiscal Year to be able to be compensated for regular scheduled shifts during a holiday.

Motion by Davenport, seconded by Austin, to approve MOU Amending Article XIII, Section 4 of the agreement between City of Vinita and the International Association of Firefighters Local NO. 2814 for FY2018-19. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried

9. Discussion, consideration and possible action in regards to anti-burning regulations, Title 4 Chapter 7, in city code book.

There are several changes that are being recommended to the city code it was recommended to take to a fire committee.

No Action.

10. Discussion, consideration and possible action to hire Triston Ketcher upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Parks and Cemetery Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period.

Motion by Lankford, seconded by Briley, to approve to hire Triston Ketcher upon completion of Applicant Pre-Employment Testing as a Parks and Cemetery Employee, with a base pay salary of \$11.00 per hour with 120 day probation period. Aye votes: Davenport, Tyler, Haire, Lankford, Briley, Hoskin, Austin. Nay votes: None. Motion carried

11. New Business.

Leonard Logan reported that he received a phone call from City Clerk Brian Prince about police and campaign activities that are in the city code book. Officer Joey Babcock is considering running for Chief of Police but due to the provision in City Code 1-7A-7 he is unable to file for election. Logan wanted to make this aware to the council of this particular code and requires no action tonight.

12. Department Reports

Fire Chief Kevin Wofford reported that Engine 4 is back in service and the new ladder truck is close to being in service.

Allen Goforth noting the amount of debris and leaves in the drainage ditches from the past few storms.

Police Chief Bobby Floyd reported a few of the police officers are taking a swift water class next month. Also looking at 2 instructors to be certified and offer a taser class.

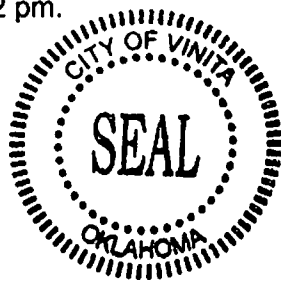
City Clerk Brian Prince noted that during the Vinita Area Chamber of Commerce banquet last week the City of Vinita received 2018 Civic Improvement Award for its work in the city. Route 66 Vinita Breezeway was noted for this Improvement Award.

13. Adjourned at 6:32 pm.

ATTEST:



Brian Prince, City Clerk





Ronnie Starks, Mayor