

The regularly scheduled **Vinita Utilities Authority (VUA) Meeting** was held on Tuesday, December 17, 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 December 16, 2019, at 3:15 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 Tilden Branch.
2. Roll Call. Members present: Denver Davenport, Roger Tyler, Stephanie Hoskin, Dale Haire, Danny Lankford, Skip Briley, Terry Young. Absent: John Swift

3. Recognition of Visitors.

No cards were submitted.

4. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve the minutes from the December 3, 2019 VUA Meeting.

Motion by Briley, seconded by Hoskin to approve the minutes from the December 3, 2019 VUA Meeting. Motion: Passed.

5. Discussion, consideration and possible action for 2020 Health Insurance Proposal.

Mayor Hoskin proposed the new rates that were offered by Community Care HMO and Blue Cross Blue Shield PPO. Blue Cross Blue Shield had better options, larger network and cost for the participants. Recommendation for Blue Cross Preferred.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Briley to approve recommendation for Blue Cross Blue Shield Preferred plan with \$1500 deductible and \$20.00 co-pay. Motion: Passed.

6. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Ordinance No. 3718 "Amending the OKMRF Employee Retirement System, Defined Benefit Plan."

City Clerk Brian Prince noted that the changes were made by state statutes and no other change was made to the Plan. It was to help clean up some of the language already in the Defined Benefit Plan.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded by Haire to approve Ordinance No. 3718 "Amending the OKMRF Employee Retirement System, Defined Benefit Plan. Motion: Passed

7. New Business.

None

8. Adjourned at 5:41 pm.

Motion by Davenport, seconded by Hoskin to adjourn. Motion: Passed.



ATTEST:

Brian K Prince  
Brian Prince, Secretary

Chuck Hoskin  
Chuck Hoskin, Chairman

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The regularly scheduled **Vinita City Council Meeting** was held on Tuesday, December 17, 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 December 16, 2019 at 3:15 p.m.

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2. Recognition of visitors.  
  
No cards were submitted.
3. Veteran Recognition.  
  
Mayor Hoskin would like to recognize Chuck Woodall as Veteran of the Month.
4. Consideration to approve Consent Agenda:
  - A. Minutes from the December 3, 2019, City Council meeting.
  - B. Actions taken during the VUA meeting.  
Motion by Lankford, seconded Haire, to approve Consent Agenda. Motion: Passed.
5. Discussion, consideration and possible action with recommendation from Planning Commission for the dedication to Glenda Downing on the 300 Block of South 4<sup>th</sup> Street.  
  
This would allow the Downing family to have the City erect 2 dedication signs on the 300 block of South 4<sup>th</sup> St, one on each end of the block. The dedication will tie in with the January 20<sup>th</sup> MLK Jr, Day. Events.  
  
Motion by Briley, seconded Davenport, to approve the dedication to Glenda Downing on the 300 Block of South 4<sup>th</sup> Street not to exceed \$100.00. Motion: Passed.
6. Discussion, consideration and possible action for Code Violation on 223 N Second.  
  
Demolition of the house.  
  
Motion by Young, seconded Haire, to declare the property to constitute a nuisance and authorize the Mayor to abate. Motion: Passed.
7. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Health Insurance Proposal.  
  
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Motion by Briley, seconded Davenport, to approve Ordinance No. 3718 "Amending the OKMRF Employee Retirement System, Defined Benefit Plan. Motion: Passed.

9. Discussion, consideration and possible action to purchase ceramic pump seal for E4 in the amount \$6,750.00 from Emergency Apparatus Maintenance, INC.

To be paid out of Fire M/O.

Motion by Davenport, seconded Hoskin, to approve purchase ceramic pump seal for E4 in the amount \$6,750.00 from Emergency Apparatus Maintenance, INC. Motion: Passed.

10. Discussion, consideration and possible action to appoint Healthy Food Retail Task Force.

Members to include for one year: Misty Bingham, Chairman. Maria Alexander, County Health Department. Tari Lee, OSU Extension Office. Amy Devore, Cherokee Nation Health Clinic. Carolyn Piguet, FFA and Food Retail.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded Briley, to approve Healthy Food Retail Task Force. Motion: Passed.

11. Discussion, consideration and possible action to end probation period for Dispatcher, Christina Crawford, effective December 4, 2019.

Motion by Davenport, seconded Haire, to approve to end probation period for Dispatcher, Christina Crawford, effective December 4, 2019. Motion: Passed.

12. Discussion, consideration and possible action to end probation period for Library Assistant, Vanessa Burckhalter-Hicks, effective December 9, 2019.

Motion by Hoskin, seconded Davenport, to approve to end probation period for Library Assistant, Vanessa Burckhalter-Hicks, effective December 9, 2019. Motion: Passed.

13. Department Reports:

- A. Director of Operations: Ben Elmore reported the VUA is keeping busy with great success, also continuing to replace meters.

- B. Solid Waste: Purchase of new truck is in the works.

- C. Cemetery/Parks: Working at Attucks Park on the Restroom and facilities with plumber and electrician to get back in service before summer ball season.

- D. Street Department: Allen Goforth reported that crack sealing is completed on West Tahlequah and N Brown. There was some salt and sand put out the last week and finishing up Highway 2 with a walk thru this week.
- E. Library: Written report submitted.
- F. Police: Police Chief Joey Babcock reporting that he will be down one officer who recently turned in resignation.
- G. Fire: Reporting 590 Calls as of today for 2019. Mostly were medical calls.
- H. Economic & Community Development Coordinator: Written report submitted by Misty Bingham and also wanted to thank PSO who gave \$15,000.00 to help pay for environmental studies at the industrial park. Also VIDA will be meeting in the next weeks.
- I. City Clerk: Wanted to thank Mayor Hoskin and Council for accepting the new Health Insurance Plan. Prince is encouraged by this new plan with the larger network, lower deductibles, and co pay.
- J. Treasurer: Report was submitted.
- K. Mayor: Would like to share his appreciation for the time all department heads contribute to the meetings with their reports and special appreciation to Veteran of the Month Chuck Woodall for his service.

14. New Business.

None


15. Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Motion by Davenport, seconded Young, to approve to adjourn. Motion: Passed.



  
 Chuck Hoskin, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
 Brian Prince, City Clerk

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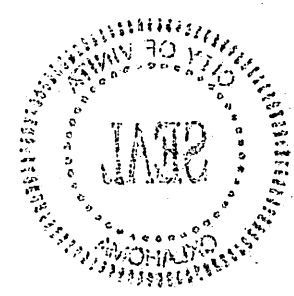
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