

Minutes



City Council April 4, 2000

The Yukon City Council met in regular session on April 4, 2000, at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth.

Invocation was given by Reverend Tom Tickner of Chisholm Trail Presbyterian Church.

Flag salute was given in unison.

Roll Call: (Present) Larry Taylor, Mayor
Denny Myers, Vice Mayor
Genie Vinson, Council Member
Steve Friesen, Council Member
John Weller, Council Member

Others Present:

Jim Crosby, City Manager
Pat Hargis, City Clerk
Mike Segler, City Attorney
Wayne Albury, Engineer
Dustin McElhaney, Building Maintenance
Jan Scott, Park and Recreation Department
Tammy Nemecek, Administrative Assistant
Ike Shirley, Police Chief
Dwyane Whitener, Public Works Director
David Chesher, Community Enhancement Director
Mitch Hort, Planning Director
Ron Jurgensen, Councilman-Elect, Ward II
Tim Rundel, Councilman-Elect, Ward I
John Knuppel, Historical Society

Visitors

Mayor Taylor turned the meeting over to the City Manager, Jim Crosby. It was explained that there is a dog kennel complaint before the Council tonight, as the license renewal was denied. He stated that this is an administrative decision, unless the Council wants to change the ordinance to make it a council decision. Mr. Crosby stated that the city attorney is giving the owner of the kennel notice to come into compliance by removing the animals from his land.

Mike Segler, City Attorney, stated the owner has thirty days to come into

compliance or he will be fined.

Mayor Taylor asked if there were comments. Joe Weaver, attorney for Max Melot, appeared and asked what ordinance his client had to comply with. City Attorney stated Mr. Melot could only have three animals on the premises without a kennel license, and that is what he needs to comply with.

Mr. Weaver stated he feels Yukon Code 603.2, Section 14-42, allows for Mr. Melot to be grand fathered as a non-conforming parcel.

Mr. Segler stated that Mr. Melot was not cited under 14-42, as the problem causing the citations was the barking dogs and this is not part of that provision.

Mr. Segler stated that this body is not going to address zoning issues tonight, and that he will have a letter forthcoming stating the number of animals kept at this address must be reduced, and that any violation of this article can be cause of revocation. Mr. Segler stated the kennel license would be revoked.

Mr. Weaver stated he didn't think they are in violation of 14-42.

Cheryl Ball stated she was here to address her concern over what she read in the newspaper article regarding "blue flu." Ms. Ball quoted part of the article and said she was concerned about the DARE program being removed from the schools. She stated she also did not want the Junior Police program removed. Ms. Ball read a letter she had written requesting that these programs be kept in the school system and the reasons why. Ms. Ball stated her husband is in the military and her children have gone to many schools, but none that had programs like these, which she felt were very good for all children.

Mayor Taylor advised that SAVE is not being taken out of the school, and the City Manager said that not only is this program being kept, but expanded. He stated that the article was not meant the way it read, and that it was misconstrued.

City Manager stated they are planning to build a safety town behind the gymnasium to further educate our young children.

Council Member Friesen thanked Ms. Ball for voicing her conviction and for coming before the Council.

Presentations and Proclamations

A proclamation for Project Graduation was presented to Jim Stengle, Tom Tickner, Peggy Addington, Brad Wright and Huy Le. Mr. Le, Senior Class President, thanked the Council for the proclamation and their support.

Mr. Stengle and Mr. Tickner reminded the public about upcoming fundraisers for Project Graduation.

Traci Addington, Yukon's junior Miss and recently elected Oklahoma's Junior Miss, was presented with a proclamation proclaiming April 5, 2000 as "Traci Addington Day" in the City of Yukon, and she also received a key to the city. Mayor Taylor stated that Rep. Kouba had also presented Ms. Addington with an award of

recognition. Mayor Taylor wished Ms. Addington well in the national pageant.

(Recess as Yukon City Council and Reconvene as Yukon Municipal Authority)

1A. YMA Consent Docket

This item is placed on the agenda so the Yukon Municipal Authority, by unanimous consent, can designate those routine items they wish to be approved by one motion. If one item does not meet with the approval of all Authority Members, that item will be heard in regular order:

The City Manager recommends:

A) Approval of minutes of March 21, 2000

B) Consider approval of 1999 Construction Fund claims in the total amount of \$16,765.43

A motion was made by Council Member Vinson, seconded by Council member Weller, to approve the YMA Consent Docket as presented.

The vote:

AYES: Taylor, Vinson, Myers, Weller, Friesen

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

(Recess as YMA and Reconvene as Yukon City Council)

1. Consent Docket

This Item Is placed on the agenda so the City Council, by unanimous consent, can designate those routine items they wish to be approved by one motion. If one item does not meet with the approval of all Council Members, that item will be heard in regular order.

The City Manager recommends approval of:

A) Minutes of the regular meeting of March 21, 2000 and special meeting of March 23, 2000

B) Salary and material claims in the amount of \$829,997.35

C) Limited use agreement between the City of Yukon and the Yukon Optimist Sports Club for use of public property for the purpose of raising funds under certain conditions as set forth in agreement

D) Setting date for next regular meeting for April 18, 2000, 7:30 P.M., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth

Council member Myers stated he would like to have Item C heard in separate order for a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Friesen, seconded by Council Member Myers, to approve the consent docket, Items A, B, and D as presented.

The vote:

AYES: Myers, Weller, Taylor, Friesen, Vinson

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Council Member Vinson, seconded by Council Member Friesen, to approve Item C. A roll call vote was taken:

The vote:

AYES: Weller, Friesen, Vinson, Taylor

NAYS: Myers

VOTE: 4-1

MOTION CARRIED

2. Report of Boards, Commissions and City Officials

3. (A) Consider approval of second and final reading of ordinance No. 1047, providing amendment to the code of ordinances of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, by adding a provision for revocation of license upon more than one conviction of any of the provisions of Chapter 14, Article 2 within any twelve (12) month period to § 14-42, and declaring an emergency

Council member Vinson stated our current ordinance reads “two consecutive” and she feels that this is more reasonable and she would make a motion that we adopt the amended ordinance stating “two consecutive” violations.

Motion died for a lack of a second.

Vice Mayor Myers stated that it is in the best interest of all for us to research this further and bring this item back at a later time, and that he would make a motion to postpone this item until the second meeting in May in order that more research can be done. Council member Weller seconded the motion.

The vote:

AYES: Myers, Weller, Friesen, Taylor, Vinson

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

Item 3B was not heard

4. New Business

5. Open Discussion

Council Member Friesen stated that the town hall meeting was really good and he learned a lot and wished that more people had been there. He stated he hopes for more participation at the next meeting. Council Member Friesen said the Taste of Yukon was really good.

Council Member Friesen advised he had received another anonymous letter and he wants the author of these letters to know that he does not take them seriously, that

he just adds them to his diary. He stated if the person will only sign the letter, he will be glad to visit with them on any subject, but if you don't sign them, don't send them. He stated people won't run for elected offices if they fear ridicule or slander, such as these "cartoons," and he hopes more people will be running for council next year.

Vice Mayor Myers stated he had given a letter he received to our television operator so it could be shown on the overhead. Mr. Myers said he thanked whoever sent this picture of him portrayed as Superman.

Council Member Weller stated Mr. Myer's wife had a "nice writing style!"

Council Member Vinson stated the last couple of weeks have been very eventful, as the Historical Society inducted Dale Robertson into the Wall of Fame, and the Taste of Yukon was excellent and she thinks it should be an annual affair.

Ms. Vinson stated she would like to go on record as disagreeing with the article in Saturday's *Yukon Review*. She reminded the public that two police officers will be trying to raise \$50,000 for Special Olympics this coming week.

Mayor Taylor stated he appreciates the work that John Knuppel and Ernie Berousek did, along with the Historical Society, to pull off such a great job on the Wall of Fame presentation.

Mayor Taylor stated he had recently visited the 4th Grade Gifted Education classes to observe their city government program, and they had a really good time.

6. Adjournment

Larry Taylor, Mayor

Patricia G. Hargis, City Clerk