

Minutes



City Council Minutes January 7, 2003

The Yukon City Council met in regular session on January 7, 2003, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth.

Invocation was given by Personnel Director Tim Rundel.

Flag salute was given in unison.

Roll Call: Present: Earline Smaistrla, Mayor
 Dewayne Maxey, Vice Mayor
 Ron Jurgensen, Council Member
 John Alberts, Council Member
 Bob Bradway, Council Member

Others Present:

Jim Crosby, City Manager
Pat Hargis, City Clerk
Mike Segler, City Attorney
Joe Davis, City Engineer, Triad Design Group
Tammy Nemecek, Administrative Assistant
George Middleton, Building Maintenance
Jan Scott, Park and Recreation Director
Tim Rundel, Personnel/Safety Director
Jeff Lara, Fire Chief
John Corn, Deputy Police Chief
Jerry Reed, Public Works Director
Mitch Hort, Community Development Director

Presentations and Proclamations

Mayor Smaistrla presented twenty-five year service pins to John Taylor and Mike McGee, both Fire Department employees. Mayor Smaistrla advised these pins were given by the Oklahoma Municipal League.

Visitors

Jeff Lara presented the Council Members and City Manager with coffee mugs bearing the picture of the new ladder truck on them. Mr. Lara advised the Fire Department personnel are in the process of being certified to use the truck at this time, and hopefully it will be in service in about a week or ten days.

(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 motion to approve:

- A) Minutes of the regular meeting of December 17, 2002
- B) Claims in the amount of \$178,621.75

Vice Chair Maxey made a motion, seconded by Trustee Bradway, to approve the YMA Consent Docket, being the minutes of the regular meeting of December 17, 2002 and payment of claims in the amount of \$178,621.75.

The vote:

AYES: Jurgensen, Smaistrle, Maxey, Bradway, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

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The City Manager recommends a motion that will approve:

- A) Minutes of the regular meeting of December 17, 2002
- B) Salary and material claims in the amount of \$250,285.05
- C) Denial of Claim No. 15991 from Frances Lewis as recommended by the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (alleged tire damage due to chug hole)
- D) Denial of Claim No. MU-02-0058 from Debra Ann Bethel as recommended by National American Insurance Company (sewer back up)
- E) Consider entering into a contract with the Yukon Optimist Sports Club for use of the Community Center gymnasium for a 4 and 5 year old basketball league from January 9-February 22, 2003
- F) Setting date for the next regular Council meeting for January 21, 2003, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth

Vice Mayor Maxey made a motion to approve the Consent Docket, being the minutes of the regular meeting of December 17, 2002; salary and material claims in the amount of \$250,285.05; denial of Claim No. 15991 from Frances Lewis as recommended by the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (alleged tire damage due to chug hole); denial of Claim No. MU-02-0058 from Debra Ann Bethel as recommended by National American Insurance Company (sewer back up); entering into a contract with the Yukon Optimist Sports Club for use of the Community Center gymnasium for a 4 and 5 year old basketball league from January 9-February 22, 2003; and setting the date for the next regular Council meeting for January 21, 2003, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth. Motion was seconded by Council Member Jurgensen.

The vote:

AYES: Bradway, Alberts, Maxey, Jurgensen, Smaistrla

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Report of Boards, Commissions and City Officials

Council Member Alberts stated his Park Board representative, Peggy Turner, is in attendance tonight and would like to discuss the tree and limb removal at the City Park.

City Manager Jim Crosby advised he had met with Ms. Turner this morning and explained the work that had been done and what the plans are. Mr. Crosby said she is mainly concerned with erosion. Mr. Crosby said that after all the Christmas displays are removed, they will be working on the run-off and re-grassing of the area. The City Manager advised they are going to reestablish the nature trail and plant trees in this area. He stated he and Park and Recreation Director Jan Scott had gone to look at the Martin Nature Park for ideas.

Mr. Alberts stated there are a lot of old limbs lying around and asked what the plans were for moving these. He asked if volunteers could help with clean up efforts in this area.

Mr. Crosby said volunteers could help, and that Jan Scott would organize this effort.

3. Consider approving Permit No. SL000009021134 for the construction of 1,390 L.F. of eight (8) inch sewer line and appurtenances to serve Yukon Crossing, located in part of the SE-1/4 of Section 16, T12N, R5W, IM, Yukon, Canadian County, Oklahoma

A motion was made by Council Member Jurgensen, seconded by Vice Mayor Maxey, to approve Permit No. SL000009021134 for the construction of 1,390 L.F. of eight (8) inch sewer line and appurtenances to serve Yukon Crossing, located in part of the SE-1/4 of Section 16, T12N, R5W, IM, Yukon, Canadian County, Oklahoma.

The vote:

AYES: Maxey, Alberts, Bradway, Smaistrla, Jurgensen

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Consider approving Resolution No. 2003-01, amending Resolution No. 2002-21 which authorized the calling and holding of an election in the City of Yukon, Canadian County, Oklahoma, for the purpose of electing one Council Member From Ward 1 and one Council Member from Ward 2, each for three year terms ending in May, 2006

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The vote:

AYES: Smaistrla, Bradway, Jurgensen, Maxey, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

5. Consider appointing the following to the named Boards and Commissions:

**Library Board - Margaret Albrecht
Traffic Commission - Phyllis Fanning
Park Board - Tim Ginter
Planning Commission - Phillip Maune
Board of Adjustment - Steve Johnson
COWRA -**

A motion was made by Council Member Jurgensen, seconded by Vice Mayor Maxey, to approve the Ward 4 Board and Commission members as shown.

Council Member Jurgensen asked if the COWRA appointment was going to be made tonight.

Council Member Bradway made a motion, seconded by Council Member Alberts, to nominate Ron Jurgensen as the City of Yukon's COWRA representative.

Council Member Alberts asked why this appointment was on the agenda tonight, as he thought it was an annual appointment. Council Member Jurgensen said he had asked for it to be on the agenda, but "didn't know if anyone else did."

City Attorney Mike Segler said this appointment is from July-June, but that it is up to the Council to decide if they want to suggest an appointment to the Board at this time or wait until July. Mr. Segler said to remove someone now would be to "remove a sitting trustee."

Council Member Jurgensen said there is "no one accountable on the board for us since she (Genie Vinson) is not a council member."

Mr. Segler said there is no requirement for the COWRA board member to be a Council Member.

Mr. Alberts stated he would move to postpone this appointment until the first meeting in February and approve the Ward 4 positions as presented.

The vote:

AYES: Alberts, Jurgensen, Maxey, Smaistrla, Bradway

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

6. New Business

7. Council Discussion

Council Member Maxey welcomed Bob Bradway to the Council.

Mr. Bradway said he was glad to be here and hopes to be of service to the City and citizens of Ward 4. He stated he looked forward to serving.

Council Member Jurgensen welcomed Mr. Bradway and said he wished him well. Mr. Jurgensen asked John Corn, Deputy Police Chief, if their vehicles were Crown Victorias. Mr. Corn said they were, and that Ford is voluntarily taking care of some recall items that have been found on these vehicles. Mr. Corn said this work would be at no cost to the City.

Mr. Jurgensen asked City Attorney Mike Segler about the proposed Council retreat and how this could be accomplished without breaking the open meeting law.

Mr. Segler replied that the open meeting law prohibits public meetings without the posting of such meeting notice. However, if you are not conducting actual city business, only discussing city business, and no action is taken, you are not in violation of the open meeting law. Mr. Segler said as long as no action is taken and no contracts are entered into, and all you are doing is discussing city business, this is not in conflict with the open meeting law and is permissible.

Council Member Alberts congratulated Mr. Bradway on his new position as Council Member for Ward 4, stating he looks forward to working with him for the betterment of the city. Mr. Alberts said during 2003, he would like to see more community involvement.

Mayor Smaistrle read excerpts from thank you letters she had received from 5th graders wherein they thanked the Council for making Yukon a safer place to live, thanked them for helping Yukon, for their support, for the new hospital, and for their time spent on the Council.

8. Adjournment

Earline Smaistrle, Mayor

Patricia G. Hargis, City Clerk