

Minutes



City Council Minutes February 18, 2003

The Yukon City Council met in regular session on February 18, 2003, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth.

Invocation was given by Don Nobles, retired pastor of the First United Methodist Church.

Flag salute was given in unison.

Roll Call: Present: Earline Smaistrle, 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
Robbie Williams, City Engineer, Triad Design Group
Tony Lum, Building Maintenance Department
Tim Rundel, Personnel/Safety Director
Jan Scott, Park and Recreation Director
Jeff Lara, Fire Chief
Bill Bullard, Deputy Police Chief
Jerry Reed, Public Works Director
Mitch Hort, Community Development Director
John Knuppel, Historical Society

Presentations and Proclamations

Visitors

Roy Cypert, 1009 John F. Kroutil, spoke on behalf of the Salvation Army Senior Citizens who were in attendance. Mr. Cypert stated they have a good place at the Dale Robertson Center for the seniors to gather and relax and enjoy the companionship of other senior citizens. He advised they can also get minor health checks for free. Mr. Cypert said that Fran Nobles, center director, does a wonderful job.

Kyle Houts, 1326 North Valley View Drive, Oklahoma City, stated the area he lives in is in Oklahoma City, but they belong to the Yukon school system. He stated about a year ago, he first came to the Yukon City Council meeting and met Council Members Jurgensen and Bradway and helped with their campaigns, as well as Representative Ray Young's. He said that he recently received an e-mail from Richard Saunders telling him to stay out of Yukon's

politics and to quit influencing Yukon politics. Mr. Houts gave the Mayor a thank you card to pass along to Mr. Saunders, "if anyone knows who he is."

(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:

- A) Approve minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2003
- B) Claims in the amount of \$53,409.35

Chairman Smaistrle advised that the claim to GolfRiders was being pulled, making the total amount of claims to be paid \$49,932.35.

Trustee Jurgensen made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Maxey, to approve the YMA Consent Docket, being the minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2003, and claims in the amount of \$49,932.35.

The vote:

AYES: Maxey, Bradway, Smaistrle, Jurgensen, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

(Recess as YMA and Reconvene as Yukon City Council)

1. Consent Docket

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The City Manager recommends a motion that will approve:

- A) Minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2003
- B) Salary and material claims in the amount of \$103,110.39
- C) Acceptance of Permit No. SL000009021231 for the construction of lift station rehabilitation improvements, including new eight foot diameter wet well access manhole, two 600 G.P.M. submersible pumps, ventilation system, emergency generator, and appurtenances to serve the Von Elm Lift Station Improvements Project
- D) Declaring a merry-go-round/tilt-a-whirl as surplus and donating it to a group building and refurbishing playground equipment at Cedar Lake for under privileged children
- E) The Traffic Commission's recommendation to place north-bound and south-bound stop signs at the intersection of 1st and Bass
- F) Setting date for the next regular Council meeting for March 4, 2003, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth

The Consent Docket, being the minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2003; salary and material claims in the amount of \$103,110.39; acceptance of Permit No.

SL000009021231 for the construction of lift station rehabilitation improvements, including new eight foot diameter wet well access manhole, two 600 G.P.M. submersible pumps, ventilation system, emergency generator, and appurtenances to serve the Von Elm Lift Station Improvements Project; declaring a merry-go-round/tilt-a-whirl as surplus and donating it to a group building and refurbishing playground equipment at Cedar Lake for under privileged children; the Traffic Commission's recommendation to place north-bound and south-bound stop signs at the intersection of 1st and Bass; and setting the date for the next regular Council meeting for March 4, 2003, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth, was passed on a motion made by Vice Mayor Maxey, seconded by Council Member Bradway.

The vote:

AYES: Bradway, Alberts, Maxey, Smaistrle, Jurgensen

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Report of Boards, Commissions and City Officials

Jan Scott, Park and Recreation Director, advised the Council that Saturday, March 1st has been designated as a park clean up day and invited any interested citizens to come help them with this effort. Mrs. Scott reported that the annual "Taste of Yukon" will be March 27th at the Dale Robertson Center.

3. Consider approving and accepting 2002 road projects and placing maintenance bond into effect, as recommended by City Engineer

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Maxey, seconded by Council Member Jurgensen, to approve and accept the 2002 road projects and placing the maintenance bond into effect, as recommended by the City Engineer.

The vote:

AYES: Jurgensen, Maxey, Bradway, Smaistrle, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Consider appointment of a member to the COWRA Board to represent the City of Yukon

Council Member Bradway made a motion to nominate Ron Jurgensen as the COWRA Board representative for the City of Yukon. Council Member Alberts seconded the motion.

Council Member Alberts asked if there was an alternate on this board.

Jim Crosby, City Manager, advised that Larry Taylor is the alternate and Genie Vinson is the representative.

Mayor Smaistrle asked how long this appointment was for.

City Attorney Mike Segler advised terms end in June and were annually renewed.

Mayor Smaistrle asked if the appointment tonight would be immediate.

City Attorney advised it would be.

Council Member Jurgensen said this action is needed so we will have a sitting Council Member on the board.

There was general discussion as to who was being replaced, as neither Mr. Taylor or Mrs. Vinson now serve on the City Council. Council Member Jurgensen said that the replacement should be for Mrs. Vinson as she was the sitting Council Member.

Council Member Bradway amended his motion to state that Mr. Jurgensen was being nominated as a board replacement for Genie Vinson. Council Member Alberts seconded the amended motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

AYES: Smaistrle, Alberts, Jurgensen, Bradway, Maxey

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

5. A) Consider approving Ordinance No. 1113, an ordinance which provides amendment to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, by amending Sections 2-182, 2-183 and 2-184 of the Code of Ordinances, providing for specific duties of the Department of Community Development, specific powers of the Code Compliance Inspector, and declaring an emergency

Vice Mayor Maxey made a motion, seconded by Council Member Jurgensen, to approve Ordinance No. 1113, an ordinance which provides amendment to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, by amending Sections 2-182, 2-183 and 2-184 of the Code of Ordinances, providing for specific duties of the Department of Community Development, specific powers of the Code Compliance Inspector, and declaring an emergency.

Council Member Alberts asked Community Development Director Mitchell Hort to explain this ordinance.

Mr. Hort advised this is the first of several ordinances that will be presented to the Council. Mr. Hort explained that the Municipal Code Corporation had asked that the City be more detailed in the duties of the Community Development Department and Director and this is being offered to meet their request.

Mr. Alberts asked Mr. Hort if he concurred with this ordinance.

Mr. Hort stated he did, and was involved in the development of the ordinance.

The vote:

AYES: Maxey, Smaistrle, Alberts, Jurgensen, Bradway

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

B) Consider approving Emergency Clause of Ordinance No. 1113

Vice Mayor Maxey made a motion to approve the emergency clause of Ordinance No. 1113, with the second being made by Council Member Jurgensen.

The vote:

AYES: Alberts, Maxey, Bradway, Jurgensen, Smaistrla

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

6. A) Consider approving Ordinance No. 1114, an ordinance amending the Employee Retirement System, defined benefit plan of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, as required by the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001, providing for effective date, limitations on benefits, increase in compensation limits, rollover of plan distribution and adoption of new mortality tables; providing for repealer and severability; and declaring an emergency

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Council Member Bradway asked if this was the benefit package for the City of Yukon employees.

City Manager Crosby said this ordinance was sent to us by the Oklahoma Municipal Retirement Fund and the changes amending our plan were requested by the Internal Revenue Service.

Mr. Bradway asked if these changes affected the plan only, or if it also impacted the employee.

Mr. Crosby stated it affects the retirees in that it places a cap of \$200,000 on the amount of retirement they can draw annually.

The vote:

AYES: Jurgensen, Smaistrla, Alberts, Bradway, Maxey

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

B) Consider approving the Emergency Clause of Ordinance No. 1114

Vice Mayor Maxey made a motion to approve the emergency clause of Ordinance No. 1114, with the second being made by Council Member Jurgensen.

The vote:

AYES: Bradway, Alberts, Maxey, Smaistrla, Jurgensen

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

7. New Business

8. Council Discussion

Vice Mayor Maxey stated he was glad to see the senior citizens in attendance tonight and hopefully someday he would be going there for lunch.

Council Member Bradway stated some Ward 4 voters asked him if we could draft their water bill payments.

Jim Crosby, City Manager, stated this question has come up several times and we are looking into the feasibility of this, but part of the problem is in the bank's ability to do this.

Mayor Smaistrle stated she has a customer that can't get out to pay bills, so he has an account set up where there are excess funds and then the bank notifies him when the funds get low.

The City Manager stated we also have several citizens who will be gone for months at a time that come in and make advance payments on their water bills.

Council Member Jurgensen said he would like to thank the senior citizens for being here tonight and he has "always supported the seniors."

Mr. Jurgensen stated that our sales tax revenue is down and our employees are taking furloughs to help with expenses, but he wanted everyone to know that public safety is not being compromised, so "rest at ease."

Council Member Alberts thanked the senior citizens and their Director, Fran Nobles, for all they have done and they are a great group.

Mr. Alberts stated everyone can come volunteer to work in the park on March 1st and he would like to see Yukon become more proactive. He also reminded everyone to shop in Yukon, as we need the sales tax to help operate the city.

Mayor Smaistrle said she is going to be with Dwayne Maxey for lunch at the senior citizens' center.

9. Adjournment

Earline Smaistrle, Mayor

Patricia G. Hargis, City Clerk

