

Minutes



City Council Minutes September 6, 2005

The Yukon City Council met in regular session on September 6, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth.

The invocation was given by Richard May, pastor of Yukon Church of Christ, South.

The flag salute was given in unison.

Roll Call:

Present: Bob Bradway, Mayor
Earline Smaistrle, Vice Mayor
Dewayne Maxey, Council Member
Ward Larson, Council Member
John Alberts, Council Member

Others Present:

Jim Crosby, City Manager
Pat Hargis, City Clerk
Mike Segler, City Attorney
Robbie Williams, City Engineer
Tony Lum, Building Maintenance Department
Tammy Kretchmar, Administrative Assistant
J. R. Reed, Public Works Director
Ike Shirley, Police Chief
Jeff Lara, Fire Chief
George Shirley, Personnel Director
Tim Rundel, Personn
John Knuppel, Historical Committee



Presentations and Proclamations

Mayor Bradway read a proclamation proclaiming Saturday, September 10, 2005, as "Joanne Oltmanns Day" in the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, in honor and recognition of Joanne's 29 years of service to the City of Yukon and its citizens. Mayor Bradway told Joanne that her loyalty and work during these years was deeply appreciated.

City Manager Jim Crosby stated there has been a lot of misinformation spread regarding the victims of the hurricane that are coming to Yukon. He advised there will be 53 to 106 individuals moved here to live at the old Cottonwood Manor until they can go back to their homes in Louisiana. Mr. Crosby said he had been to three meetings today about this and has three more meetings tomorrow regarding this situation, and all meetings are open to the interested public. Mr. Crosby advised the Ministerial Alliance will be meeting to discuss transportation for these people, and there are meetings to try to find them transportation, employment, food, etc. The City Manager said that all individuals staying at Cottonwood will have background checks run on them. Mr. Crosby said it is his understanding the people will first go to Oklahoma City, then be transferred out here.



Visitors

Gary Smith, 410 Walnut, appeared before the Council and said he had heard that this facility (Cottonwood Manor) was going to be turned into a battered women's facility or a homeless shelter long before the hurricane hit. Mr. Smith said he also knows it is in a flood plain and that there has been at least two instances where Cottonwood residents had to be evacuated due to flooding. Mr. Smith asked if this has been addressed, and also wanted to know what the long term affects of this location will be after the hurricane victims go home.

Mayor Bradway said that we don't know the answer at this point and that we will have to address things as they come up. Mr. Bradway assured the residents in attendance that nothing will be done to add to their discomfort or to the detriment of Yukon. Mayor Bradway said that we all must do our part to help.

Mr. Smith advised he appreciated being told of the meetings and asked how they could know about future meetings. Mayor Bradway advised we will post them on Channel 20.

Dana Soupene, 509 Turtle Creek Drive, asked where the Council was getting their information. She said that she spoke with the owner of the property and was told that he has 153 beds, toys, clothes, etc. ready to go. Ms. Soupene said she was concerned because she heard the beds were made with dirty linens. Ms. Soupene also stated that at a school meeting she attended today, she was told the teachers were told to keep their enrollments open for the children that will be coming in, and that no shot records will be required for them.

Mayor Bradway said that we are having to sort the stories out ourselves.

Ms. Soupene advised the administrator of the facility has also told her he is going to turn the building into a women's Bible college. She said all they are wanting is the right information. She stated they were told they can't assure them that criminals will not be living there.

Mayor Bradway said that the city will be verifying the criminal records of each person moving in and it will be done by the Police Chief first thing before they move in.

The City Manager advised that he has a meeting with the school administration tomorrow and that he has been told that the kids will be going to school in Norman and Oklahoma City. Mr. Crosby said the emphasis on the local facility is for individuals 55 years and older with no children. Mr. Crosby stated this is not a short term commitment, so we want to make sure they can get food, jobs, transportation, recreation, etc.

Mayor Bradway said it will be the responsibility of the City to insure things are going right.

Council Member Alberts asked if he was correct that 53 rooms equals 106 people. Mr. Crosby said that was correct. Mr. Alberts asked if we will insure that the kids going to school in Yukon will be immunized. The City Manager replied that we want to make sure they are well taken care of.

Mayor Bradway asked who will handle the health concerns.

Mr. Crosby said it will be a combination of the county, Red Cross, and FEMA.

Council Member Alberts said it appears that communication has been a problem. He asked if the Ministerial Alliance is in charge of these efforts. Mr. Crosby advised they are not, that Terry Jones is the person in charge and the City didn't know anything about this until Friday afternoon. Mr. Crosby said that a lot of work has been done since then.

Mr. Alberts asked who can be contacted regarding meeting notices, as not everyone gets Channel 20.

Mr. Crosby said that they can call his office for the information, but he also thought that the citizens should elect a couple of people from among themselves to attend the meetings so they can take the information back to the others. Mr. Crosby said this would help dispel rumors if members of the immediate area are involved.

Carrie Fairchild, 502 Walnut, stated there are large wooden signs that have been put up at Kimbell Park that are blocking the sight of drivers. She said she thought they were put up by someone involved with the Cottonwood residence. Ms. Fairchild asked the Council how they can do a background check without identifications.

Mayor Bradway stated that we can use fingerprints, date of birth, social security numbers, etc. He said that it will be a thorough check, not only here but throughout the system.

Gary Smith said his question was not answered about Cottonwood being in the flood plain and asked if anyone knew if it was.

The City Manager said parts of it are in a flood plain, but it was built before the flood plain plan went into effect, so they are "grandfathered" in unless they want to add or remodel the facility, then they would have to meet current City codes.



(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) The minutes of the regular meeting of August 16, 2005
- B) Payment of claims in the amount of \$4,974.61

Vice Chair Smaistrla made a motion to approve the YMA Consent Docket, consisting of approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of August 16, 2005, and payment of claims in the amount of \$4,974.61.

The vote:

AYES: Larson, Alberts, Smaistrla, Bradway, Maxey

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 a motion that will approve:

- A) The minutes of the regular meeting of August 16, 2005
- B) Payment of salary and material claims in the amount of \$651,640.60
- C) Entering into a contract with Sister Cities, International for fiscal year 2005-06
- D) Rejection of Auditor bids and authorizing to rebid for same
- E) Entering into a contract with the Canadian County 4-H for fiscal year 2005-06
- F) Setting the date for the next regular Council meeting for September 20, 2005, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth

Council Member Maxey made a motion to approve the Consent Docket, consisting of the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of August 16, 2005; payment of salary and material claims in the amount of \$651,640.60; entering into a contract with Sister Cities, International for fiscal year 2005-06; rejection of Auditor bids and authorizing to rebid for same; entering into a contract with the Canadian County 4-H for fiscal year 2005-06; and setting the date for the next regular Council meeting for September 20, 2005, 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth. The motion for approval was seconded by Vice Mayor Smaistrla.

The vote:

AYES: Smaistrla, Maxey, Alberts, Bradway, Larson

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

2. Report of Boards, Commissions and City Officials

3. Consider the final plat for Villas at Landmark, as recommended by the Planning Commission

A motion was made by Council Member Maxey, seconded by Vice Mayor Smaistrla, to approve the final plat for Villas at Landmark, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

The vote:

AYES: Bradway, Larson, Smaistrla, Maxey, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

4. Consider approving the replacement/repair of a 6" waterline at Garden Grove and Vandament in an amount not to exceed \$7,209.00

Vice Mayor Smaistrla moved to approve the replacement/repair of a 6" waterline at Garden Grove and Vandament in an amount not to exceed \$7,209.00. Council Member Maxey seconded the motion.

The vote:

AYES:

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

5. Consider accepting the Well Field Relocation at SH 152 project and executing the maintenance bonds

Council Member Maxey made a motion, with Council Member Alberts seconding, to accept the Well Field Relocation project at SH 152 and to execute the maintenance bonds.

The vote:

AYES: Alberts, Maxey, Larson, Smaistrla, Bradway

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

6. A) Consider approving Ordinance No. 1180, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 657, Appendix A, of the Code of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, by providing that the zoning designation for part of the SW/4 of Section 29, T12N, R5W, Canadian County, Oklahoma, be changed from "C-5" (Auto-motive and Commercial Recreation District) to "C-3" (Restricted Commercial District); and declaring an emergency [property north of 10th Street and east of West End Pointe Drive]

Vice Mayor Smaistrla made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1180, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 657, Appendix A, of the Code of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, by providing that the zoning designation for part of the SW/4 of Section 29, T12N, R5W, Canadian County, Oklahoma, be changed from "C-5" (Automotive and Commercial Recreation District) to "C-3" (Restricted Commercial District); and declaring an emergency. The second to the motion was made by Council Member Maxey.

The vote:

AYES:

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

B) Consider approving the emergency clause of Ordinance No. 1180

Council Member Maxey moved approval of the emergency clause of Ordinance No. 1180. The second to the motion was made by Council Member Alberts.

The vote:

AYES: Larson, Alberts, Smaistrila, Maxey, Bradway

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

7. Consider accepting the base bid for the 2005 Waste Transfer Station Replacement Project from the apparent low bidder, Gail Armstrong Construction, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$935,000, and authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract for same

Vice Mayor Smaistrila made the motion to accept the base bid for the 2005 Waste Transfer Station Replacement Project from the apparent low bidder, Gail Armstrong Construction, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$935,000, and authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract for same. Council Member Maxey seconded the motion.

The vote:

AYES: Bradway, Alberts, Maxey, Smaistrila, Larson

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

8. Consider approving entering into a contract with ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers) in an annual amount of \$268.00 and authorizing payment of same

A motion to approve entering into a contract with ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers) in an annual amount of \$268.00 and authorizing payment of same was made by Vice Mayor Smaistrila and seconded by Council Member Maxey.

Council Member Alberts asked what this is.

City Attorney Mike Segler said that this is a copyright agreement with publishers, composers, etc. and a license fee must be paid each year to cover copyright infringements. Mr. Segler said anyone who has concerts, music on hold, etc. must pay this annual fee.

The vote:

AYES: Maxey, Larson, Bradway, Smaistrila, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

9. Consider a public hearing to determine whether the following properties should be declared detrimental to the health, safety, benefit and welfare of the public and community and, if necessary, direct the City Manager to take appropriate action to abate same

LOCATION	OWNER	VIOLATION
1108 South 2 nd	Charter/Chase Manhattan	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1108 South 2 nd	Carter/Chase Manhattan	Nuisance Vehicle
4300 North Mustang Rd.	Ferslew	Trash, Grass, Weeds
906 Kali	Downs/Kenamer	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1009 Kouba	Prewitt	Trash, Grass, Weeds
718 Oak	Berry/Roberts	Nuisance Vehicle
700 Oak	Keef	Nuisance Vehicle
510 West Cherry	Myers/Myers	Trash, Grass, Weeds

504 South Third	Singleton/Phillips	Trash, Grass, Weeds
219 East Bass	Dixon/Chase Manhattan	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1113 Kouba	Herbst	Trash, Grass, Weeds
108 Aspen	Warma	Nuisance Vehicle
110 Aspen	Neely	Trash, Grass, Weeds
112 Aspen	Moore	Trash, Grass, Weeds
17 Von Elm Avenue	Myers	Trash, Grass, Weeds
118 Chestnut	Pfaff	Trash, Grass, Weeds
118 Chestnut	Pfaff	Nuisance Vehicle
938 St. James Place	Catena	Trash, Grass, Weeds
812 Victoria	Sestak/MERS	Trash, Grass, Weeds
812 Victoria	Sestak/MERS	Nuisance Vehicle
1016 Summerton	Taylor/Birch	Trash, Grass, Weeds
306 Poplar	Swift/Visor	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1200 Yuhoma	Reynolds/Wells Fargo	Trash, Grass, Weeds
210 West Vandament	Wartchow	Nuisance Vehicle

The City Manager said that 219 East Bass, 812 Victoria, 1200 Yuhoma, 1108 South 2nd, 108 Aspen, 700 Oak, and 118 Chestnut remain unabated, as does the property at 210 West Vandament. Mr. Crosby advised that 210 West Vandament was given a 60 day extension back in July.

Ms. Keef, 700 Oak, stated the car in question does run, but there are many cats and kittens under it and she needs to find a shelter for them before moving the car.

Council Member Alberts asked if a sixty day extension would help her. Ms. Keef said it would.

Council Member Alberts made a motion to grant Ms. Keef a 60 day extension so that she can remove the animals from under the car. If the situation is not taken care of within the sixty days, it will be declared a nuisance by Council. Vice Mayor Smaistrila seconded the motion.

The vote:

AYES: Maxey, Larson, Bradway, Smaistrila, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

Council Member Alberts made a motion, seconded by Council Member Smaistrila, to declare the remaining properties as detrimental to the health, safety, benefit and welfare of the public and community and, if necessary, direct the City Manager to take appropriate action to abate same.

The vote:

AYES: Alberts, Larson, Bradway, Smaistrila, Maxey

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

10. New Business

11. Council Discussion

Council Member Alberts: Mr. Alberts stated we need to keep those along the coast in our prayers and that it is our turn to step up to the plate and help those in need and those that may be coming to Yukon.

Vice Mayor Smaistrila: Ms. Smaistrila said she thanks the City Manager and other employees for all the work they have done to enable the evacuees to come to Yukon. Ms. Smaistrila stated it could just as easily have been us that needs assistance.

Council Member Larson: Council Member Larson said that he was in the Yukon Review office last week when one of our police officers, Tim Peters, stopped in to tell them good-bye, as he was leaving to join his military

unit in Louisiana. Mr. Larson said that we thank our officer as well as all the others that are trying to keep everyone safe. Mr. Larson urged that we keep these people in our prayers.

Mayor Bradway: Mr. Bradway said that we have been dealt a devastating blow by Mother Nature and we had help in our time of need and we need to help others now. Mr. Bradway said that the city government will stay on top of things here and work to ensure that things go well.

12. Consider a motion to recess as Yukon City Council and convening into Executive Session to discuss Union contracts

Vice Mayor Smaistrla made a motion, seconded by Council Member Maxey, to recess as Yukon City Council and convene into executive session.

The vote:

AYES: Bradway, Smaistrla, Maxey, Larson, Alberts

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

13. Consider a motion to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvening as Yukon City Council

The motion to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene as Yukon City Council was made by Vice Mayor Smaistrla and seconded by Council Member Maxey.

The vote:

AYES: Alberts, Larson, Maxey, Smaistrla, Bradway

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

14. Adjournment

Bob Bradway, Mayor

Patricia G. Hargis, City Clerk