

Minutes



City Council Minutes August 1, 2000

The Yukon City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth, on July 18, 2000, at 7:30 PM.

Invocation was given by David Chesher, Personnel Director.

Flag salute was given in unison.

Roll Call: Steve Friesen, Mayor
Genie Vinson, Vice Mayor
John Weller, Council Member
Tim Rundel, Council Member
Ron Jurgensen, Council Member

Presentations and Proclamations: Larry Taylor will make a Presentation to Rodney McNeil for his Eagle Scout project

This presentation was postponed until August 15, 2000.

Visitors:

A) Karen Graves appeared before the Council and advised she had written to the Council regarding the Chamber of Commerce, but hasn't received a response yet. Ms. Graves stated she spoke with the Chamber Director and he told her that most cities our size contribute \$50,000 to their Chamber. She stated all Yukon gives is \$7,500 and a building and upkeep. Ms. Graves stated Mr. Greer is short-staffed and stressed out. She advised that Mr. Greer spends 25% of this time on the phone, and 50% getting the newsletter out, therefore, that leaves only 25% of his time to do what he is hired to do. She asked what would happen to Yukon if the Chamber weren't here. She stated these calls would go to the City of Yukon and would increase their work load. She stated the City could not do their work for \$7,500 a year, and that Yukon is only giving 15% of what other cities do.

Mayor Friesen stated that he would like to see the list of who gets \$50,000 and would like to talk to Ms. Graves privately regarding this matter. He stated he would like to give her the reason why he felt the budget should be cut. Mayor Friesen stated he has done some research and did not get the answers that Ms. Graves said Frank did.

Ms. Graves asked if they could meet with Mr. Greer also.

City Manager Jim Crosby stated that in a few weeks we will know where we stand on the budget for the first month of the new fiscal year. He stated we cannot adjust amounts without seeing where we are going.

B) Lavena Gandra, Eagle Crest Antiques, stated she wants to see the City invest in lights for the downtown area for the holiday season. She stated she appreciates all the City has done for the downtown merchants, but would like to know what they can do about this situation.

Mr. Crosby advised the Council that Mrs. Gandra is very active with the downtown events, and at her request, we looked at decorations for downtown and they would cost a minimum of \$12,000-\$15,000. Mr. Crosby stated he had advised Mrs. Gandra to get with the other downtown merchants and get some ideas to present to Council.

Ms. Gandra stated that last year they purchased two wreaths with money they collected through their businesses. She advised they would like to add to what they already have and build on that.

Mayor Friesen stated for them to get their ideas and figures together.

(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 regular meeting of July 18, 2000

B) Consider approval of 1999 Construction Fund claims in the total amount of \$153,068.00

C) Consider approving agreement regarding installation of sanitary sewer lines and release of reverter rights between the City of Yukon and Juyne Elizabeth Taylor and the Yukon Municipal Authority

Vice Chair Vinson stated she would like to pull Item C to be heard separately, and made a motion to approve Items A and B of the YMA Consent Docket. Motion seconded by Weller.

The vote:

AYES: Vinson, Friesen, Weller, Jurgensen, Rundel

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

C) Trustee Jurgensen said he would like to make a motion to postpone this item indefinitely, as this is not within our guidelines to have them do this themselves. Vice Chair Vinson seconded the motion, stating she did not feel this was in the best interest of the City at this time.

City Attorney Mike Segler explained this is the property of the land owners.

The vote on the motion:

AYES: Rundel, Jurgensen, Weller, Friesen, Vinson

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 July 18, 2000

B) Salary and material claims

C) Consider accepting resignation of Myke Geers from the Planning Commission and appointing John Alberts as Planning Commission representative for Ward 3

D) Consider approving contract between the City of Yukon and the Yukon Public School District for the purpose of establishing the terms under which the City shall provide the District with School Resource Officers and the compensation, which shall be paid by the City and by the District, and authorizing Mayor and City Clerk to enter into agreement for same

E) Consider recommendation of Traffic Commission to paint the curbs yellow on both sides of Yukon Avenue, beginning at 8th Street Drive and continuing 150' to the west; installing "No Parking Any Time" signs on both sides of the street, and painting the curb next to the fire hydrant red, and instructing Staff to initiate these works

F) Consider entering into agreement with the Yukon Soccer Club, acting by and through the Yukon Park and Recreation Department, for use of the Ranchwood Soccer Fields from August 19, 2000 through November 19, 2000

G) Consider approving an agreement for services with Compassionate Hands and authorizing Mayor and City Clerk to enter into same

H) Setting date for next regular meeting for August 15, 2000, 7:30 P.M., in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Building, 12 South Fifth

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Vinson, seconded by Council Member Rundel, to approve the consent docket as presented.

Council Member Jurgensen stated he would like to pull Item F for a separate vote.

Motion and second were amended to reflect the approval of all items as listed above with the exception of Item F.

The vote:

AYES: Jurgensen, Vinson, Rundel, Friesen, Weller

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

F) A motion was made by Vice Mayor Vinson, seconded by Council Member Rundel, to approve Item F (above).

The vote:

AYES: Weller, Friesen, Rundel, Vinson

NAYS: Jurgensen

VOTE: 4-1

MOTION CARRIED

2. Report of Boards, Commissions and City Officials

3. Consider approving agreement regarding installation of sanitary sewer lines and release of reverter rights between the City of Yukon and Juynne Elizabeth Taylor and the Yukon Municipal Authority

No action was taken.

4. A) Consider approving Ordinance No. 1063 amending the retirement system defined benefit plan of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, by providing a special retirement option for certain eligible employees based on the age and years of credited service of such employees; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency

Council member Rundel made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1063, amending the retirement system defined benefit plan of the City of Yukon, Oklahoma, by providing a special retirement option for certain eligible employees based on the age and years of credited service of such employees; providing for severability. Motion was seconded by Council Member Weller.

The vote:

AYES: Weller, Vinson, Friesen, Rundel, Jurgensen

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

B) Consider approving emergency clause of Ordinance No. 1063

Council Member Weller made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rundel, to approve the emergency clause to Ordinance No. 1063.

The vote:

AYES: Weller, Vinson, Friesen, Rundel, Jurgensen

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

5. Consider approval of tort claim by Mary L. Purcell, 701 Cooper Lane, in the amount of \$3,241.75 (claim has been denied by City's insurance company)

A motion was made by Council Member Rundel, seconded by Council Member Weller, approving payment of the tort claim by Mary L. Purcell, 701 Cooper Lane, in the amount of \$3,241.75 which has been denied by the City of Yukon's insurance carrier.

The vote:

AYES: Rundel, Weller, Friesen, Jurgensen, Vinson

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

6. Consider public hearing to determine whether the following properties should be declared detrimental to the health, benefit and welfare of the public and community and direct staff to take appropriate action to abate same

LOCATION	OWNER	VIOLATION
312 ½ Maple	Dudderar	Trash, Grass, Weeds
700 S. First	Krone	Trash, Grass, Weeds
735 Cedar	Rushing	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1083 Cinderwood Circle	Bell American Homes	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1075 Cinderwood Circle	Bell American Homes	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1004 South First	Den Hartog	Trash, Grass, Weeds
320 Maple	Shannon	Trash, Grass, Weeds
714 Elm	Stanko	Trash, Grass, Weeds
405 S. Ranchwood	Chapman	Trash, Grass, Weeds
600 East Main	Yukon Round Up Club	Trash, Grass, Weeds
1039 Cedar	Odle	Trash, Grass, Weeds
Tract D, Von Elm East, Section 2	Church of Christ	Trash, Grass, Weeds
Tract A, #2NE, 1.06 acres	Church of Christ	Trash, Grass, Weeds
320 Maple	Shannon	Nuisance Vehicles
1039 Cedar	Odle	Nuisance Vehicles

Mayor Friesen stated only five of these addresses have not come into compliance - 735 Cedar, 320 Maple, Tract D, Von Elm East, Section 2, and Tract A, #2NE, 1.06 acres, and 1039 Cedar. Community Director Mitchell Hort provided pictures of these locations for the Council’s review.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Vinson, seconded by Council Member Weller, to find these areas as a detriment to the health, benefit and welfare of the public and community and direct staff to take appropriate action to abate same.

The vote:

AYES: Jurgensen, Rundel, Weller, Friesen, Vinson

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

Joseph Shannon, son of the owner of 320 Maple, stated he is living at this address and he is taking action to remove the red vehicle. He stated he is trying to clear the brush, limbs, etc., and asked for a five (5) day extension.

Mayor Friesen asked how long he realistically thinks it will take him to complete this work.

Mr. Shannon answered “two weeks.”

Mr. Hort stated if the Council so chooses, they can approve this extension with the understanding that we will abate this problem if he doesn’t.

7. Consider setting cost for abating properties listed below and authorizing costs to be certified to County Treasurer:

LOCATION	OWNER	ABATEMENT COST
121 N. 9 th Street	Eva M. Atucson	\$31.02
213 East Beech	Stephen & Donna Diggs	\$498.08
205 East Cherry	Chris Wilcox	\$393.32

A motion was made by Council Member Weller, seconded by Council Member Rundel, to set the cost for abating properties listed and authorizing costs to be certified to County Treasurer.

The vote:

AYES: Vinson, Rundel, Jurgensen, Weller, Friesen

NAYS: None

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION CARRIED

8. New Business

9. Open Discussion

Council Member Rundel thanked the people who came to the town hall meeting last Thursday. He stated he had a few calls regarding sign issues that he will discuss with the City Manager.

He stated he had some new questions on his web site regarding advertising on the trash trucks. Mr. Rundel stated a lot of towns are doing this now and it is a source of revenue without a cost to the city. The companies that he has heard about supply the artwork, etc. themselves.

Vice Mayor Vinson stated that she received a message that the men at the transfer station are so ice to work with, and she would like that message passed on to them

Mrs. Vinson stated that J.W. Parker left for Australia, and he is truly an ambassador to Yukon, and she would like to recommend we have a resolution or something naming him as such.

Mayor Friesen thanked Vice Mayor Vinson and Council member Rundel for setting in at the town hall meeting and stated the last meeting will be in September, and it will be an open topic, so it should be interesting and he hopes a lot of people will attend.

10. Adjournment

Steve Friesen, Mayor

Pat Hargis, City Clerk