

**MINUTES
YALE CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
209 N. MAIN STREET, YALE, OKLAHOMA
JANUARY 10, 2017
6:30 P.M.**

OPENING PRAYER

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was called to order at 6:47 p.m. on Tuesday January 10, 2017 by Vice-Mayor Terry Baker.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Those present were Mike Strader, Richard Adsit and Tom Mendenhall. Kris Watkins and Terry Baker were absent.
3. **CONSENT AGENDA** – Tom Mendenhall made the motion to approve the consent agenda, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Adsit, Mendenhall Nay: None.
 - a. **Approval of Minutes**
 - i. **Regular Meeting – December 13, 2016**
 - b. **Approval of Claims**
 - c. **Financial Statements**
4. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA** – None
5. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES** – None
6. **GENERAL ORDERS**
 - a. **Consideration, discussion and action on the purchase of a Storm Siren Communication System.** – Chief Kelly presented options on sirens and installation costs from different vendors. Tom Mendenhall made the motion to purchase a siren system including installation with the City taking care of removal not to exceed \$28,124 from Chickasaw Communications. Mike Strader seconded the motion, which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Adsit, Mendenhall Nay: None.
 - b. **Consideration, discussion and action on converting existing Storm Siren Communication System to a radio frequency.** – Richard Adsit made the motion to convert our existing Storm Siren Communication System to a radio frequency. Mike Strader seconded the motion, which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Adsit, Mendenhall Nay: None.
7. **RESOLUTIONS**
 - a. **Consideration, discussion and action on Resolution No. 01-2017 “A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF YALE PERSONNEL POLICY”.** – Tom Mendenhall made the motion to approve resolution 01-2017, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Adsit, Mendenhall Nay: None.
8. **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**
 - a. **Report from Police Chief:** In December 2016, the department wrote 105 citations, had 28 cases, 6 arrests, 3 narcotics violations with the use of our drug dog Barkley and 1 EOD. They served 3 warrants and had 13 cases of vandalism. Would like to thank the city for the donation to the toy drive, the reserve was able to help 75-80 kids during Christmas.
 - b. **Report from Library Director:** Would like to invite everyone to the library on January 31, it's a Tuesday evening. We are 1 of 63 libraries that were chosen to receive a kiosk for the 225th anniversary of the bill of rights. Our new senator and representative will be present at the reception; its Tuesday January 31st from 4-7 p.m, there will be a public release and we hope to have a good turnout.
 - c. **Report from City Manager:** Tim and the crew are doing excellent with all of the gas and water leaks. They are currently prepping for bad weather this weekend. Still have 4 cars and 1 SUV to

dispose of that have gone through surplus; we are trying to get at least \$100 per car. The pound is at full capacity, next year we'd like to look at grant options to expand the pound South of the sewer plant. The Cushing animal control truck is still not available. The front office staff is doing a great job as well as Tim and his crew are doing a great job.

- d. **Report from City Attorney:** Spoke with Chris Redding about the fire station construction, they have initiated the bid process and are ready to transfer the property to the city. At some point there will be a resolution to vote on to accept the property. There will be a reverter clause that if at anytime the City discontinues to use the property as a fire station it will go back to the county. Per Charter a commissioner serves until they are replaced however I've never seen that enforced. The Charter states the commission has 60 undisturbed days to make an appointment. If no one has been appointed after that then an election can be forced.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- a. **Report from Commissioner Strader:** None
- b. **Report from Vice Mayor Adsit:** Concerning the streets, Quapaw is still responsible. We still have places that need to be addressed. Staff needs to get in contact with them on those areas; we need to get 2" rings made for the manholes where the asphalt was laid. "D" street has trouble with a culvert by Brett Watkins, Tim stated they had a plan for that area. Beaumont between "B" and "C" Streets the grass is encroaching. We have a dispatcher that will retire soon, can we have city hall cover some of that position or fill with part-time only? We need to look at replacing some of the street signs that are faded out that can't be read any longer.
- c. **Report from Commissioner Mendenhall:** We have two street lights that are still out.
- d. **Report from Commissioner Watkins:** Absent
- e. **Report from Mayor Baker:** Absent

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. **An Executive Session for the purpose of holding confidential communication pursuant to 25 O.S. §307 (B)(1) to discuss the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of Interim City Manager Phillip Kelly.** – Tom Mendenhall made the motion to enter into Executive Session, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Adsit, Mendenhall Nay: None.
The meeting entered into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

11. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

– Tom Mendenhall made the motion to reconvene the regular meeting of the Yale City Commission at 8:03 p.m. Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Adsit, Mendenhall Nay: None.

- a. **Possible action regarding the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of Interim City Manager Phillip Kelly.** – Richard Adsit made the motion to increase Interim City Manager Phillip Kelly's compensation by \$1,000 per month effective with the next pay check.

12. ADJOURNMENT

– Tom Mendenhall made the motion to adjourn, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Adsit, Mendenhall Nay: None.

The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. on Tuesday January 10, 2017.

Signed: _____
Deanna Couch, City Clerk

Signed: _____
Terry Baker, Mayor

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS POSTED THE 9TH DAY OF JANUARY 2017 AT 4:30 P.M. AT YALE CITY HALL.