

**MINUTES
YALE CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
209 N. MAIN STREET, YALE, OKLAHOMA
JULY 11, 2017
6:30 P.M.**

OPENING PRAYER

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday July 11, 2017 by Mayor Richard Adsit.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Those present were Mike McCullough, Mike Strader, Richard Adsit, Clara Welch and Terry Baker.
3. **CONSENT AGENDA** – Terry Baker made the motion to approve the consent agenda, Richard Adsit seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch, Baker Nay: None.
 - a. **Approval of Minutes**
 - i. **Regular Meeting – June 13, 2017**
 - b. **Approval of Claims**
 - c. **Blanket Claims**
 - d. **Financial Statements**
4. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA** – None
5. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

Shawn Ortiz – Would like to speak about the pool again; for 60 years 100's of children have been taught to swim, lifeguards have been trained and young adults have had summer employment. The pool has been more than just a place to swim; as a close-knit community we have formed around it where generations of friends and families have come to socialize, learn and spend time together. Because I feel the pool is so important to our community I'm willing to put a lot of effort into creating a campaign to get the word out to raise money to update our pool. I have spoken to the Oklahoma State Dept of Health and have been told that under ADA laws there is not a need to provide immediate access to existing pools if doing so is not easily, readily achievable. Providing access is not readily achievable if it would involve significant difficulty or expense. If a fully compliant lift is not readily achievable for the business, the business is not obligated to provide a fully compliant lift but we must be able to have a plan in place as a goal and that in the future we will purchase and install an ADA lift. I have the City Manager's approval to request donations for this project but I don't feel comfortable asking for donations without this board's approval. I'd like to know if this is something that's worth my time and effort?

Cindy McCullough – After watching her efforts I'm a little concerned about the public knowing how one gets on the agenda; yes, we can all get up and talk but you're not allowed to respond to us. I'm concerned with the public knowing how to do that; I don't know how to get on the agenda and my husband is on the board. I think that we need to educate our public on this matter so we can have more people interested in this city. This city could be a great city but it won't be unless the people are interested.

Mike Craig – On January 12, 2010 I came before the council and voiced concern about the state and dilapidation of the town. At the same meeting, there was a house at 424 N D Street that was determined to be a detriment to the public. That house was torn down, I now have a property on it that's paying rent, it's nice and clean. I came to the City Council, got my mobile home permit, had my site plan, it was rejected the first time I had to go back and put in a gravel driveway before I could get utilities. It's been changed since then, now you have to have a paved driveway. Jeff Whites trailer park at 9th and Charleston has got the same trailer since that very meeting with no windows and no doors in it sitting in that park. I can't hardly rent the house I have across the street with 5 acres because of that trailer park.

I lost almost \$8,000 in rent on it last year, the city probably lost \$3,000 in utilities on it and we can't afford to make a person who has the resources clean up their property. Ray Reece has moved a trailer in on West Boston, it's a Solitaire, nice trailer, he did not go through the city council and get their approval as required, it was moved in anyway, utilities were hooked up and it still sits there to this day 10 months later not meeting city code. There's no skirting on it, I've complained numerous times and no one seems to care. I don't know if it's the west side or because it's not your neighbor. I went back through the City minutes for the previous 7 years and up until Chief Keeling left, and this is no reflection on Philip, there were 1 and 2 houses on every agenda up for abatement. Since 2012, 2013 somewhere in that timeframe there have been hardly any. We all talk about not having money to do anything yet we're allowing people to violate the law, we're violating the law by not enforcing those codes. The people that live next to them shouldn't have to live next to a garbage dump because the City does not enforce the law. It's the City's obligation to enforce the law for people's safety, health, welfare and peace of mind and to improve the property values.

Raymond Ortiz – Where I come from they have a program, it's a cleanup day once every three months or so and it's a bunch of volunteers. People set their stuff out, clean up their properties and volunteers come around to pick things up. It seemed to be a pretty good program, it's at no cost really, I think it might be a plus to see if you could implement something like that even just as a test to see if you could get some volunteers and the community involved. It would save time and effort as far as citations, there are people that can't afford it and it's strictly voluntary. Once you get a program in place people generally step up, it's just an idea.

6. ORDINANCES

- a. **Consideration, discussion and action on Ordinance No. 356 “AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING SECTION 4-16.2 OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE YALE CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKING AND STORAGE WITHIN THE CITY OF YALE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”** – Mr. McMillian explained the ordinance revisions. Richard Adsit made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 356 without the provisions of section B2. Clara Welch seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch Nay: Baker
- b. **Consideration, discussion and action on declaring an emergency on Ordinance No. 356.** – Clara Welch made the motion to declare an emergency on Ordinance No. 356, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch Nay: Baker.
- c. **Consideration, discussion and action on Ordinance No. 361 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10-21 OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE YALE CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION FEES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.”** – Mike Strader made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 361, Mike McCullough seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch, Baker Nay: None.
- d. **Consideration, discussion and action on declaring an emergency on Ordinance No. 361.** – Mike Strader made the motion to declare an emergency on Ordinance No. 361, Mike McCullough seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch, Baker. Nay: None.

7. GENERAL ORDERS

- a. **Consideration, discussion and action to review and approve an updated Local Planning Action Committee (LPAC) for the Capital Improvement Plan.** – Clorisa Brown with COEDD explained the LPAC recommending that the majority not be the City Commission for open meeting purposes. Richard Adsit made the motion to appoint Deanna Couch, Tim Campbell, Phillip Kelly, Mike Craig and himself to the committee. Mike McCullough seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch, Baker Nay: None.
- b. **Consideration, discussion and action on a management contract with the Yale Youth Sports Association.** – Mr. McMillian explained the purposes of the contract, it was re-written to exclude anything to do with the swimming pool. The contract is essentially a license giving permission to use the facilities. Terry Baker made the motion to approve the management contract with the Yale Youth Sports Association. Mike McCullough seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch, Baker Nay: None.

8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

- a. **Report from Police Chief:** The department wrote 96 citations, worked 23 cases, 35 abatements. Currently working on a trailer on West Boston, they've promised to have it skirted. Department purchased 3 new shotguns which was needed.
- b. **Report from Fire Department:** Absent
- c. **Report from Library Director:** In fiscal year 2016-17 the library added 144 new patrons and 575 new books and movies. We've removed over 2,000 books and movies from the system that are either obsolete or damaged. We have a total of 18,830 books and movies and books on CD at the library now. We have a lot of use on our copy and fax machine for the public, last year we took in \$1,242.50 in copy and fax fees, that's about \$100 per month and the public really appreciates that service. E-Rate funding has been approved for the 2017-18 fiscal year and I've started on my annual report that will be the basis for any state aid received. We have some programs planned for the end of July and before school starts.
- d. **Report from Interim City Manager:** This is our first full year of being on Summit, the fiscal year roll went well. We reached 94% of revenue overall, 95% of revenue on the Trust, over 100% on both water and trash, general fund reached 91% of budgeted revenue, sales tax reached 90%, municipal court reached 126%. Our first billing from AT&T dropped our phone bill \$1,600; that's a savings of approximately \$19,000 per year. I'd like to start talking about bringing fiber lines in the next couple of months. CBEW will be here August 16th for the audit, OMPA will be here next week to do a walkthrough of the steakhouse and then they'll meet with us after. We also have our signed agreement back from Payne County.
- e. **Report from City Attorney:** No report

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- a. **Report from Commissioner McCullough:** None
- b. **Report from Commissioner Strader:** Curious about the D Street project and how it's coming along.
- c. **Report from Mayor Adsit:** None
- d. **Report from Vice-Mayor Welch:** None
- e. **Report from Commissioner Baker:** Saw in the newspaper where the county voted to buy a new tanker for the Fire Department and they will sell two of our tanker trucks. We're still lacking in communication with the Fire Department.

10. ADJOURNMENT – Terry Baker made the motion to adjourn, Clara Welch seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: McCullough, Strader, Adsit, Welch, Baker Nay: None.

The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was adjourned at 7:11 p.m. on Tuesday July 11, 2017

Signed: _____
Deanna Couch, City Clerk

Signed: _____
Richard Adsit, Mayor

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS POSTED THE 7TH DAY OF JULY 2017 AT 8:00 P.M. AT YALE CITY HALL.