## **MINUTES**

The City Council of Cache, Oklahoma in Comanche County and the Cache Public Works Authority held their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Monday September 12, 201. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Komahcheet at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call;

- (X) Manny Vega
- (X) Danny Avra
- (X) Shawn Komahcheet
- (X) Steve Red Elk
- (X) Rosemary Cook

<u>Staff Present</u>

- Dennis Woommavovah Patrick Holloway Trinity Haney Rob Robinson
- Item #1: Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Mayor Komahcheet
- Item #2: Invocation was given by Jerry Randall

Item #3: Consider approval of the minutes of the August 8, 2011 regular meeting of Cache City

- Council. No discussion. Motion by Red Elk to approve agenda item #4, as read. Second by Vega
- VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes.

Item #4: <u>Consider approval of Treasurer's Report.</u> No discussion.

Motion by Red Elk to approve agenda item #5, as read. Second by Vega

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes.

Item #5: <u>Consider approval of Consent Agenda, items a - j;</u> No discussion.

Motion by Vega to approve agenda item #5, as read. Second by Avra

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes. .

## ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilman Avra; Expressed praise to the Cache Volunteer Fire Department for the great job fighting the recent wildfires in the Wichitas Mountain with no injuries or mechanical break-down or equipment failure.

## **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION;**

Ms. Vicky Curtsinger (705 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Cache, OK) approached Council to ask if she would be allowed to take merchandise from inside the Thrift Store and place outside in the Handi-capped parking space street to be sold. She stated that the Code Enforcement person told her she could not use the City Street to display merchandise. Woommavovah explained that she is using the street right-of-way which is city property to display the items for sale. That she would have to request a variance to use the city street. We need to hold a public hearing and get Council's approval before she could use the street. Avra suggested to her that she come in to apply for a variance.

**Item #6** <u>Consideration of the Financial Report on the 2009 audit</u>. Ms. Furth of Furth & Associates approached Council to give a summation of the financial report on the 2009 Audit. She said the financial condition of Cache in the FY 2009 was not good. In assessing a grade reflecting the financial condition of the City it would be a "C". That was largely due to our record keeping or lack of record keeping. They had a difficult time trying retrieving the documents to support the financial records. They had to get some information from the report we sent to the Oklahoma Water Resource Board. She referred to several sections of the report and went over the numbers. She reviewed the section identified as "Finding and Responses". Identifying deficiencies and corrective actions. She asked that she be granted permission to start the 2010 Audit as soon as possible, it must be completed by June 30, 2012. Motion by Avra to accept the FY 2009 Audit conducted by Furth & Associates. Second by Red Elk VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes

Item #7 <u>Consider authorizing legal action to recover losses associated with the water wells drilled and</u> <u>the water storage tank</u>. Council retained the legal services of Jeromy Brown, Chickasha, OK to recover monetary losses associated with the water wells drilled and the water storage tank.

Motion by Red Elk to authorize legal action by Frailey, Chaffin, Cordell, Perryman, Sterkel, McCalla, & Brown, LLP. Second by Vega.

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes

**Item #8** <u>Discussion and review of the City of Cache website</u>. The Website Consultants were not available to make a presentation, however, Avra said he looked at the website and it looks good. They still need to put the City Codes on the website. The Mayor said ASCOG would not allow the City Codes to be displayed on the website, because ASCOG was not able to keep the Codes amendments current. Motion by Red Elk to take no action. Second by Avra

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes

**Item #9** <u>Consider accepting the resignation of Kenneth Colvin as President of the Cache Economic</u> <u>Development Authority</u>. Mayor Komahcheet said we received word, Mr. Colvin's health prohibits him from serving on the Authority, that he wanted to resign his position.

Motion by Red Elk to accept the resignation of Mr. Colvin. Second by Vega

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes

**Item #10** <u>*Review and discussion of the references on the telephone service.*</u> Vega stated Council previously approved the bid and purchase of the telephone system but wanted to get some references from the company's customers. The references looks good.

Motion by Vega to accept the references and proceed. Second by Red Elk

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes

Item #11 Consider adopting Resolution No. 11-08 authorizing additional lights in the City Park.

Red Elk said he and the City Clerk met with representatives of PSO to look a possible placement of some additional light in the City Park. He explained the new walking trail was getting a lot of use and there are some that walk after dark. The lights would help light-up some of the "dark" areas along the walking trail. PSO would install 12 lights and replace one service pole.

Motion by Red Elk to approve Resolution No. 11-08. Second by Vega

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes.

**Item #12** <u>Consider supporting the Masonic Lodge efforts to raise funds to improve Maloy Park.</u> Cook stated the Lodge wanted to have some fund raisers to generate funds to improve the Maloy Park. That the Lodge wanted to check with Council to see that it would be okay and if Council will support their Project. The Funds generated would be matched by the Main Lodge up to \$12,500.00 each year. So this would not be a one-time thing. Mr. David Dorrell, a member of the Lodge, spoke concurring with Councilwoman Cook. He said they have several projects, he asked who owned the mobile homes and if they were for sale, that the park could be expanded if they were not there.

Motion by Cook to support the Masonic Lodge fund raisers to improve Maloy Park. Second by Red Elk VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-ye; Cook-yes.

**Item #13** <u>Consider action to approve Rhoda Thomas to attend the Annual Oklahoma Municipal League</u> <u>Training Conference in Tulsa, OK on September 12 - 16, 2011 Registration cost of \$250.00, 3 nights</u>

lodging, mileage, meals and the use of the city pike pass. No discussion

Motion by Avra to approve agenda item 13 as read. Second by Red Elk

VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes

**Item #14** <u>Consider submitting a request to the Watco Companies for a Railroad Street Crossing Permit</u> <u>at S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street authorizing payment of \$600 permit fee.</u> Woommavovah explained the railroad passing through Cache is owned by Stillwater Central Railroad, a subsidiary of Watco Companies. The proposed location of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street was selected over the desired location of 1<sup>st</sup> Street because of the difference in elevation of the tracks. At 1<sup>st</sup> Street the railroad tracks are approximately 6 ft. higher than the street. At 3<sup>rd</sup> Street the elevations of the tracks and the adjacent ground are close to the same. The representative of Watco said to submit a complete application with the non-refundable \$600 permit fee. Approval may require the closing of an existing crossing. Motion by Vega to submit application for a street crossing authorizing \$600 payment. Second by Avra VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes: Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes Item #15 Consider claim of Michelle Slane for payment of personal property missing from the Cache Police Department's, property room. Ms. Slane spoke to Council showing receipts and estimate value of the items. Chief Holloway answered questions from the Mayor regarding the circumstances. Motion by Vega to approve the claim, authorizing payment from the Police Fund for \$727.65. Second by Red Elk VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes: Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes Item #16 Consider going into Executive Session to discuss: (a) applicants for full time Police officer; (b) suspension/termination of the employment of Police Officer Daniel Hanigar; (c) review status within the Cache Police Department; (d) hiring Robert Robinson as Safety Officer for the City of Cache. Motion by Avra to enter Executive Session to discuss items a-d. Second by Red Elk VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Red Elk-yes; Cook-yes TIME: 7:50 NOTE: Red Elk left meeting at 9:00 P.M. Item #17 Return to open meeting. TIME:9:30 Motion by Avra to return to open meeting. Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Cook-yes Item #18 Consider hiring a full time Police Officer from the applicants. No discussion Motion by Avra to hire John Varva as a full time Police Officer. Second by Cook VOTE: Vega-no; Cook-yes Avra-yes; Mayor Komahcheet stated since Red Elk was absent that constitutes a "no" vote, therefore it's a tie vote, as the Mayor, I vote No. The City Attorney spoke up to say that an absent Councilmember is not a "no" vote, there is no tie. The Motion passed 2 to 1. Item #19 Consider the suspension or termination of Police Officer Daniel Hanigar. Avra stated Officer Hanigar expressed verbally he resigns his position as a full time Police Officer of the City of Cache, effective immediately. Motion by Avra to accept the verbal resignation with a written resignation to follow of Officer Hanigar as a Police Officer. Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Cook-yes Item #20 Review status within the Cache Police Department. No discussion Motion by Avra to take no action on agenda item 16c. Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Cook-yes Item #21 Consider hiring Robert Robinson as Safety Officer for the City of Cache. No discussion Motion by Avra to hire Robert Robinson as Safety Officer. Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Cook-yes Item #22 Motion to adjourn General Meeting. Motion by Avra, Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Cook-yes TIME: 9:28 p.m. CPWA meeting was called to order by Chairman Komahcheet, call the roll Komahcheet: here Cook: here Vega: here Avra: here Red Elk: absent

Item #1 Consider approval of CPWA Consent Agenda. No Discussion Motion by Red Elk to approve the consent agenda items a-k. Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-yes; Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes Avra-yes; Item #2 Consider authorizing legal action to recover losses associated with the water wells drilled and the water storage tank. No discussion Motion by Avra to authorize legal action by Frailey, Chaffin, Cordell, Perryman, Sterkel, McCalla, & Brown, LLP. Second by Vega. VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes Item #3 Consider hiring contractor to demo old Fire Station at City Park. Vega read the bids Motion by Vega to hire Charlie's Backhoe for the low bid of \$2,925.00. Second by Avra VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes Item #4 Consider hiring contractor to erect chain link fence at City of Cache Park. Vega explained people cross the park property to get to their mobile homes adjacent to the south of the park. The fence would stop their crossing city property. Avra asked about the cable barrier that they had talked about. Vega said that it was decided against because people would be able to drive around it, the fence would begin from the south side of "G" Avenue, go north to the property corner at "F" Avenue, with a 12 ft. gate for vehicles to have access for repair on the well house. Also fence will have a 3 ft. opening for pedestrian traffic. Avra asked, so there will be only one gate for vehicles, Vega said yes. Vega read bids Motion by Vega to hire Salt & Pepper Fence Company to build a 6 ft. chain link along 6<sup>th</sup> Street for an amount of \$4,079.00. Second by Komahcheet VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes Item #5 Consider purchasing a 4 x 6 trailer from Lowe's not to exceed \$700. Vega said Lowes has a trailer for \$700.00 Motion by Vega to purchase the trailer from Lowes for an amount of \$700.00. Second by Komahcheet VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes Item #6 Consider purchasing at least 1 fire hydrant not to exceed \$2300 each. Vega explained there are several fire hydrants, at least 10 that do not work and need to be replaced. After brief discussion on buying bulk and getting a discount, it was determined to buy one for now. Motion by Vega to purchase one fire hydrant for an amount of \$2300. Second by Komahcheet VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes: Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes Item #7 Consider going into Executive Session to discuss changing the Public Works Director position to a salary position. Council waived going into Executive Session Item #8 mute Item #9 Consider changing the Public Works Director position to a salary position. No discussion Motion by Komahcheet to change the Public Works Director position to a salary position at the same hourly pay. Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-yes; Avra-yes; Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes Motion to adjourn General Meeting. Motion by Avra, Second by Vega VOTE: Vega-no; Avra-yes; Komahcheet-yes; Cook-yes TIME: 9:54 p.m.

Agenda filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk Office at 5:00 p.m. on September 9, 2011.

Signature Rhoda Thomas, City Clerk/Treasurer