

Minutes

THE CITY OF TUTTLE COUNCIL MEMBERS MET IN REGULAR WORKSHOP SESSION ON **JULY 24, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M.** IN THE TUTTLE CITY HALL BUILDING LOCATED AT 221 W. MAIN STREET

MEMBERS PRESENT: SCOTT DICKSON, TREY BUCK, LARRY WATSON AND AARON MCLEROY

MEMBERS ABSENT: AUSTIN HUGHES

STAFF PRESENT: DANA SCHOENING, DAVID PERRYMAN, WENDY MARBLE, AARON SLATTERY, DON CLUCK AND WILL SMITH

OTHERS PRESENT: LESLIE WALKER AND JAYSON KNIGHT

CALL TO ORDER McLeroy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL Marble called roll and declared a quorum present

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. UPDATES, DISCUSSION, and QUESTIONS regarding:

a. School Resource-Security Officer

Schoening presented this is now a state law to hire an officer. Cluck presented this is a three-year program and the state has created a source for schools to draw funding specific to this program. He stated the superintendent has asked if they could only pay for an officer for 160 days. Cluck stated the police department does not have an officer available for this. He stated two are off for injuries and he has two unfilled positions. Watson stated he thought this law would be modified to be able to use security guards. McLeroy asked who is responsible, the city or the school. Perryman stated it is the school's responsibility to follow the law. McLeroy asked if the city is obligated to provide security and Perryman stated the city is not. Schoening stated the city is one potential option. Buck stated if the county is an option let them provide the officer since the city does not have the resources. McLeroy asked what hours would be worked and Cluck stated it would be an 8-hour shift. He stated we would be able to use the officer on holidays and during the summer when school is closed. McLeroy asked how much the school will receive in funding and Perryman stated the statute says divided equally among the school districts, but no reference to the amount.

b. Proposed City Manager Work Plan

Schoening presented the proposed work plan to develop a multi-year strategic plan. Dickson asked if this is part of the 2040 comprehensive plan and Schoening stated yes, a comprehensive plan is part of this. Schoening presented a park plan, marketing plan for economic development, 5-year capital improvement plan, stakeholder sessions, infrastructure, personnel succession planning, operations, ordinance updates, comprehensive plan, website upgrades, downtown area improvements, staff professionalism, programming schedule and much more are included in the work plan. Schoening stated he plans to speak to the council members, ask for comments and discuss them more fully. Dickson stated he likes the idea of having a plan. Buck stated this is very good. Schoening stated we will address the long-term outlook for the city.

c. Monthly Budget Update

Schoening presented the budget report for June 2023 and stated we are at the 50% mark for the year. He stated the sales tax revenue was less than expected, but overall revenues and expenditures look good. Perryman stated citizens need to be educated regarding online ordering and that sales tax is paid to the city if delivered to their home.

Motion was made by Dickson, seconded by Buck to extend the Workshop Meeting for one hour at 6:58 p.m. Motion carried as follows:

Aye: Dickson, Buck, Watson and McLeroy

Nay: None

d. Proposed MOU between OEC and the City of Tuttle for Use of City Right of Ways

Perryman presented there were two issues with OEC. The pole rental, which has been resolved and the use of city rights-of-way. He stated OEC is asking to be allowed to put their fiber in city rights-of way to serve customers outside the city limits. He stated the original MOU was much broader and needed to be revised. Perryman presented legal discussion stating in order to protect the city, utility providers in municipality have to have franchise, agreeing not to provide service inside the municipality. He stated the revised version was sent back to OEC on Tuesday and is waiting for their reply.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

McLeroy asked that the councilmember reports be an item on the workshop agendas.

Slattery stated N. Richland Road overlay is getting started this week.

Schoening presented Will Smith will be the interim fire chief.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Dickson, seconded by Buck to adjourn the Workshop Meeting at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried as follows:

Aye: Dickson, Buck, Watson and McLeroy

Nay: None

Attest:

Wendy Marble, City Clerk

Aaron McLeroy, Mayor