

NEW CORDELL CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes of Regular Session

Monday, October 16, 2023

The New Cordell City Council met at the Cordell Community Center at 101 East Main behind City Hall on October 16, 2023 with five council members present including: Blake Reed, Greg Cox, Bruce Wesner, Lowell Holman, and Cheri Nabors. Also present were Mayor Phil Kliewer, City Attorney Shane Regier, Interim City Administrator Vicki Hagerman, and City Clerk Karla Ferrero. Council Members Sheri Parsons, Tad Boone, and Earlene Smith were absent. The agenda was posted on Friday, October 13, 2023 before 5 pm in the front window of City Hall.

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM:

Mayor Kliewer called the meeting to order at 6:20 pm. City Clerk Ferrero called roll, and a quorum was declared to be present.

INFORMATION ITEMS: (Information items are presented for information only, they can be discussed but do not require action.)

- a) Receive reports.
- b) Representative from RSMeacham CPAs to present financial reports.
- c) Representative from FFIT Consulting, LLC to present monthly report.

Jeanna King from RSMeacham CPAs presented the financials through September for the first 3 months of the fiscal year.

Interim City Administrator Vicki Hagerman gave reports on the departments and city operations. The Police Department has had an increase in calls for service and some larger cases this month including vandalism, burglary, and stalking. The JAG grant has been submitted for new body cameras for the Police Department. The Water and Wastewater departments are down to one employee, Mason, but looking to hire two more as early as tomorrow. The complaints on the odor and taste of the water the City has been getting are due to the water coming from Foss, and Clinton has been receiving similar complaints. DEQ testing on the water has come back fine. The FEMA grant for the generators at the wells has been closed out.

PUBLIC REMARKS: (This time is set aside to allow the public opportunity to remark on agenda items only. Time will be limited to 3 minutes.)

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) **Approve Minutes from Regular Meeting on September 18, 2023.**
- b) **Approve Minutes from Special Meeting on September 25, 2023**
- c) **Approve Financial Reports Period 3, September 2023.**
- d) **Approve Expenditures Period 3, September 2023.**
- e) **Approve Payment to Myers Engineering in the amount of \$5,031.00 for Invoice #221039-23 Cordell – Water System Improvements.**

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Council Member Cox made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Holman.

Vote called: Aye: Reed, Cox, Wesner, Holman, Nabors.
 Nay: 0

Motion carried: Aye: 5
 Nay: 0

POTENTIAL VOTING BUSINESS:

A. Consider, discuss and/or possible take action to Waive Vendor Fees for the Cordell Chamber of Commerce, and the City of New Cordell, Killers of the Flower Moon event.

Mayor Kliewer provided information about the event, with input from Heather Flores from the Chamber of Commerce Board and Interim Administrator Hagerman. The event portion would occur on the second Saturday it will be showing (October 28), with vendors and entertainers. Hagerman clarified that it would likely be around 10-15 vendor fees waived.

Council Member Nabors made a motion to Waive Vendor Fees for the Cordell Chamber of Commerce, and the City of New Cordell, Killers of the Flower Moon event. The motion was seconded by Council Member Holman.

Vote called: Aye: Reed, Cox, Wesner, Holman, Nabors.
 Nay: 0

Motion carried: Aye: 5
 Nay: 0

B. Consider, discuss and/or possible take action on the Appointment of Bob Plummer to Serve on the Cordell Planning and Zoning Committee, Term November 2023 – November 2026 a three-year Term.

Council Member Cox made a motion to Appoint Bob Plummer to Serve on the Cordell Planning and Zoning Committee, Term November 2023 – November 2026, a three-year Term. Motion was seconded by Council Member Nabors.

Vote called: Aye: Reed, Cox, Wesner, Holman, Nabors.
 Nay: 0

Motion carried: Aye: 5
 Nay: 0

C. Consider, discuss and/or possible take action on recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Committee to the New Cordell City Council that there be a change in zoning to R-S residential zoning from C-G commercial zoning, for the property Russell Nolan (note Scriveners error, should be Nolan Russell) owns in the City of New Cordell, more particularly described as follows:

Lot 1, Block 2, Western Heights Addition to the City of New Cordell, Washita County, State of Oklahoma.

Physical Address: 900 Jack Harper Drive, Cordell, Oklahoma 73632

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Council Member Reed made a motion to approve recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Committee to the New Cordell City Council that there be a change in zoning to R-S residential zoning from C-G commercial zoning, for the property Nolan Russell owns in the City of New Cordell, more particularly described as follows: Lot 1, Block 2, Western Heights Addition to the City of New Cordell, Washita County, State of Oklahoma. Physical Address: 900 Jack Harper Drive, Cordell, Oklahoma 73632. Motion was seconded by Council Member Holman.

Vote called: Aye: Reed, Cox, Wesner, Holman.
Nay: Nabors (abstained)

Motion carried: Aye: 4
Nay: 1

- D. Consider, discuss and/or possible take action on recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Committee to the New Cordell City Council that there be a change in zoning to C-C (convenience) commercial zoning from residential zoning, for the property Cordell Memorial Hospital owns in the City of New Cordell, more particularly described as follows:**

Lots 1 and 4, Block 11, Christian College Addition to the City of New Cordell, Washita County, State of Oklahoma

Physical Address: 1224 North Market, Cordell, Oklahoma 73632

Discussion was held on the nature of the concerns received by the Planning and Zoning Board about the re-zoning, the intended use of the property by the Hospital, and a desire for further information was expressed.

Council Member Cox made a motion to table discussion of the item until the next council meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Holman.

Vote called: Aye: Reed, Cox, Wesner, Holman, Nabors.
Nay: 0

Motion carried: Aye: 5
Nay: 0

NEW BUSINESS: (Non-Agenda items or business. Discussion can be held, but action will be deferred until the next or some subsequent Regular or Special Meeting.)
None.

COUNCIL REMARKS:

Council Member Nabors stated that the bathroom at the library needed repaired.

MAYOR REMARKS:

Mayor Kliewer gave an update on the beautification project, the city and contractor are working on irrigation systems to the beds. The Fire Department has been helping with deep irrigation in the meantime. For the Killers of the Flower Moon event, some entertainers that are being looked at are the Jackson's, Giblet, and the Medicine Park Flute Players. Kliewer stated this would be a good event to get some public support with via donations. Kliewer also spoke about putting up the seasonal banners on the

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square and that Family Dollar has mowed their property. Kliewer thanked the Police Department for all their hard work. Kliewer stated that they are still working on the final contract for the Mural Building Demolition.

Interim City Administrator Hagerman asked to make a comment here she left out of her report. The Fire Department was awarded \$7,500 for a new pump on BP1, as is looking for other donations. Hagerman furthered that the Haunted Morgue is now open, and that the Fire Department would provide a tour to any interested members of the governing body.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council Member Holman made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Council Member Reed.

Vote called: Aye: Reed, Cox, Wesner, Holman, Nabors.
 Nay: 0

Motion carried: Aye: 5
 Nay: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Phil Kliewer/ Mayor

Karla Ferrero/ City Clerk