

# **MINUTES**

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

### **May 19, 2015**

The Regular Session of the Glenpool City Council was held at 6:00 p.m., Glenpool City Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 12205 S. Yukon Ave, Glenpool, Oklahoma. Councilors present: Jennifer Ballew, Momodou Ceesay, Tim Fox; Patricia Agee; and Brandon Kearns.

Staff present: Lowell Peterson, City Attorney; Susan White, City Clerk; Lynn Burrow, Community Development Director; Rick Malone, City Planner; Dennis Waller, Police Chief and Paul Newton, Fire Chief. Roger Kolman, City Manager was absent.

- A) Mayor Fox called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.**
- B) Susan White, City Clerk called the roll. Mayor Fox declared a quorum present.**
- C) Reverend Jason Yarbrough offered the Invocation.**
- D) Mayor Fox led the Pledge of Allegiance.**
- E) City Manager Report – Susan White, City Clerk**

During Mr. Kolman's absence Susan White, City Clerk provided the following Report:

- Once again, due to pending inclement weather the Movie in the Park was cancelled. Dates for reschedule have not been determined.
- The Police Department has kicked-off their annual Click It or Ticket campaign, which runs through Memorial Day.
- Staff was made aware of claims during the recent weekend storms that certain warning sirens did not sound. Ms. White asked Chief Newton to update the Council regarding the Fire Department response to the claims. He advised that all of the sirens were tested on Monday and each was found to perform properly. He suggested that the winds and rain may have been intense enough to drown out the sound of the sirens. As a follow-up to the Chief's report Ms. White reminded the Council and audience that the sirens are designed as an outdoor notification and may not always be heard indoors. She also reminded everyone that all Glenpool citizens have the option of registering with BlackBoard Connect which provides an early warning system via various methods as the user directs, including text or phone calls. BlackBoard is a free service to Glenpool citizens and is featured as a link on the city website.

**F) Mayor Report – Tim Fox, Mayor**

- Mayor Fox attended Glenpool High School graduation ceremonies on Monday, May 18. He noted the tremendous growth of the school system during the past decade. He commented it demonstrates growth in our city.
- Mayor Fox issued a plea on behalf of the Glenpool Chamber of Commerce for volunteers at Black Gold Days.

**G) Council Comments**

- Councilor Kearns remarked that Thursday marks the last day of school for Glenpool. He encouraged everyone to join together to watch out for our children.
- Councilor Kearns cited a statistic proclaiming fifteen percent of the 172 Glenpool graduates took advantage of the TCC concurrent enrollment opportunity.

**H) Public Comments**

- None

**I) Scheduled Business**

**1) Discussion and possible action to approve minutes from April 29, May 4, and May 11, 2015 meetings.**

**MOTION:** Councilor Agee moved, second by Vice Mayor Ceesay to approve minutes as presented.

**FOR:** Councilor Ballew; Vice-Mayor Ceesay; Mayor Fox; Councilor Agee; Councilor Kearns

**AGAINST:** None

**Motion carried.**

**2) Discussion and possible action to appoint a member to the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment to fill the remaining unexpired term of an open seat which expires May 2017.**

Mayor Fox declared that he was encouraged that four candidates had applied for the open seat. He promoted community involvement for all citizens interested in serving their city. Mayor Fox noted that of the four applicants, one in particular had received recommendations from four members of the Planning Commission. That applicant was Keith Robinson. Before the vote, Lowell Peterson, City Attorney explained the state statute provides for the Mayor to nominate, followed by confirmation by the city council. He further clarified the customary motion process was not necessary.

Mayor Fox nominated Keith Robinson to fill the vacant position.

**FOR:** Mayor Fox; Councilor Kearns

**AGAINST:** Vice-Mayor Ceesay; Councilor Agee; Councilor Ballew

**Nomination failed.**

**MOTION:** Councilor Agee moved, second by Vice Mayor Ceesay to nominate Debra Cutsor to fill the vacant seat.

**FOR:** Councilor Agee; Councilor Kearns; Councilor Ballew; Vice-Mayor Ceesay

**AGAINST:** Mayor Fox

**Motion carried.**

**3) Discussion and possible action to adopt Ordinance No. 698, An Ordinance Amending Title 1, Administration; Chapter 9, City Departments; Article C. Legal Department; Section 1, Established, Appointment, Removal And Qualifications Of City Attorney; And Section 2, Duties Of City Attorney, Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Glenpool, Oklahoma, (2013) To Provide That The City Attorney And City Prosecutor Shall Be Appointed By The City Council, And Making Such Other Changes In Title 1, Chapter 9, Article C. As Are Necessitated Thereby; Repealing All Ordinances Or**

**Resolutions, Or Parts Of Ordinances Or Resolutions In Conflict Herewith; And Declaring An Emergency, action tabled from May 4, 2015 City Council meeting.**

Mayor Fox stated, upon a recommendation from staff, he requested the item tabled to the next meeting. Lowell Peterson, City Attorney concurred with the recommendation to table.

**MOTION:** Councilor Agee moved, second by Vice Mayor Ceesay to table Items 3 and 4 to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

**FOR:** Councilor Agee; Councilor Kearns; Councilor Ballew; Vice-Mayor Ceesay; Mayor Fox

**AGAINST:** None

**Motion carried.**

**4) Discussion and possible action to adopt Emergency Clause with respect to Ordinance No. 698.**

Item tabled (see previous motion).

**5) Discussion and possible action to renew Agreement between the City of Glenpool and Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance for FY 2015-2016 in an amount of \$153,434.00 and authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all necessary documents.**

Susan White, City Clerk presented the Agreement, recommending approval. She advised Council the renewal represented a seventeen thousand dollar increase over the current year premium. OMAG attributed the increase to a larger payroll in 2014. Ms. White reminded Council that 2014 payroll included a severance package and PTO buyback for former employees. Debbie Pengelly, Glenpool Human Resources Director appealed to OMAG to reconsider based on the unusual circumstance. The appeal is being considered by Underwriting.

**MOTION:** Councilor Agee moved, second by Councilor Kearns to approve Renewal Agreement and authorize the City Manager to execute documents.

**FOR:** Councilor Kearns; Councilor Ballew; Vice-Mayor Ceesay; Mayor Fox; Councilor Agee

**AGAINST:** None

**Motion carried.**

**6) Discussion and possible action to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing confidential communications between and among the Glenpool City Council/Glenpool Utility Services Authority Board of Trustees, both represented by the City/Trust Attorney and Special Counsel, concerning a pending investigation, claim, or action as to which the City and the Authority, with the advice of their Attorney, have determined that disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the City and the Authority to process the claim or conduct a pending investigation, litigation or proceeding in the public interest, pursuant to Title 25 Sec. 307(B)(4) of the Oklahoma Statutes (Open Meeting Act), to wit, discussion of negotiations between the parties following the recent decision by Judge Payne to deny the parties' joint motion for an administrative closing order and set the case for trial in June 2015 [USDC ND/OK Case No. 11-cv-441-JHP-FHM].**

Lowell Peterson advised based on the recent settlement and declaration of dismissal by the court regarding the lawsuit, the item should be withdrawn from the agenda.

**7) Possible action to reconvene in Regular Session.**

Item withdrawn.

**J) Adjournment.**

- Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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Date

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk