

**CITY OF CATOOSA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF JANUARY 11, 2021
SPECIAL MEETING**

I. Meeting Convened

A. Call to Order: A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Catoosa was held and called to order by Mayor Brenda Conley at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, the 11th day of January 2021 at Catoosa Community Center, 105 E. Oak, Catoosa, Oklahoma. The meeting was held in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and was posted in accordance therewith at least 24 hours in advance at City Hall for the purpose of discussion, consideration, and possible action on the following agenda items.

B. Invocation: Councilor Greg Williams

C. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Brenda Conley

D. Roll Call: The following council members were **present** for this meeting: Member at Large Councilor Jonnie Mott; Ward #6, Councilor and Vice Mayor Russ White; Ward #5, Councilor Kyle Gibson (arrived at 6:10); Ward #4, Councilor Fred Williams; Ward #3, Councilor Greg Williams; Ward #2, Councilor Thomas Sweet; and Ward #1 and Mayor Brenda Conley.

The following staff members were present for this meeting: Vicky Sutton, City Clerk; Ronnie Benight, Police Chief; Officer Nikolas Kemmler; Eddie Faulkner, Assistant City Planner; Denus Benton, Fire Chief; Jesse Payne, PWA Maintenance Director; Brain Kellogg, of Kellogg Engineering; and City Attorney Eric Wade, of Rosenstein, Fist & Ringold.

E. Public Comments:

A public comment period was held during Agenda Item #1, to allow citizens the opportunity to express their opinions to the Council regarding Solid Waste

Management Services. The following constituents and business owners spoke in opposition of Agenda Item #2:

- David McFall, 18101 Woodcrest Lane, Catoosa, OK
- Carol Rush, 18300 Woodcrest Lane, Catoosa, OK
- Ethen Jefferson, AAA Trash, Tulsa, OK
- Kenny & Christie Biggs, C&H Trash, Broken Arrow, OK
- Jay Bennett, Eagle Trash Service, Claremore, OK

II. Consent Agenda:

Information: Consideration and appropriate action relating to a request for City Council approval of the Consent Agenda:

- 1) Approval of Minutes of the **December 21, 2020** Special Meeting
- 2) Approval of Regular and Prepaid Claims
- 3) Approval of Financial Statements for July 2020
- 4) Approval of Financial Statements for August 2020
- 5) Reappointment of Shawn Lunn to the Board of Adjustment for a Term Expiring January 1, 2024
- 6) Reappointment of Doug Tiffany to the Planning Commission for a Term Expiring January 1, 2024
- 7) Reappointment of Rob Williams to the Park Board for a Term Expiring January 1, 2024
- 8) Reappointment of Penny Chambers to the Park Board for a Term Expiring January 1, 2024

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to approve the consent agenda. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet-aye	Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

III. Items Removed from Consent Agenda: There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

IV. Agenda Items:

****Mayor Conley changed the order in which the items were acted on during the meeting. The minutes for the items are listed below as they appeared on the agenda. The items were acted on in this order: item #3, #4, #1, #2, #5, #6, #7, #8.**

Item #1: Solid Waste Management Services – Public Comments

Mayor Conley opened the public commenting period at 6:20 p.m. The public spoke regarding the City reserving the exclusive right to provide solid waste management services within the City limits and considering proposals from qualified contractors to provide those services. No action was taken.

Item #2: Ordinance No. 2021-420-C

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Russ White** to deny approval of proposed Ordinance No. 2021-420-C, creating a new law to be codified in Title 9, Chapter 6, Section 9-6-1 of the Catoosa City Code, governing the exclusive right to collect, remove, transport and dispose of all solid waste, except hazardous waste, infectious waste and controlled waste, within the corporate limits of the City; establishing an effective date; providing a partial invalidity savings clause; and repealing conflicting ordinances. The motion to **deny** the proposed ordinance was approved by the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet-aye	Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

Item #3: Pine Street Widening Project ODOT Change Order #007

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to approve a revision to Change Order #007 with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation on the Pine Street Widening Project in the amount of \$60,775.81 with the City's portion being 20%, an amount not to exceed \$12,155.16. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-absent
Thomas Sweet-aye	Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

Item #4: Pine Street Widening Project ODOT Change Order #008

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to approve a revision to Change Order #008 – Final Closeout, with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation on the Pine Street Widening Project in the amount of \$27,624.38 with the City's portion being 20%, an amount not to exceed \$5,524.88. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-absent
Thomas Sweet-aye	Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

Item #5: Resolution No. 2021-569 Notice of Nonpartisan General Election

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to adopt Resolution No. 2021-569, a resolution providing notice of election to the Rogers

County Election Board of a Nonpartisan General Election, to be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet-aye	Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

Item #6: Revised Schedule of Regular Meeting Location

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to approve a revised schedule of regular meetings through March 31, 2021 that changes the location of all regular meetings of the City Council from Catoosa City Hall to the Catoosa Community Center, 105 East Oak Street, Catoosa, Oklahoma, effective January 25, 2021. The date and time of each meeting are unchanged. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet-aye	Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

Item #7: Proposed Executive Session

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to enter into Executive Session. The motion **passed** with the following votes: **(6:42 PM)**

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet-aye	Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

Statement of Executive Session Minutes:

Mayor Brenda Conley acknowledged the City Council returned to open session at 6:56 P.M. During executive session, the City Council held confidential communications regarding the matters listed under Agenda Item #7 on the agenda for this meeting. The City Attorney was present for the purposes of discussing the employment of John Blish, City Manager, an individual salaried public officer, or employee, where disclosure of the matter discussed would violate the confidentiality requirements of state or federal law, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307(B)(1) and (7) of the Oklahoma Statutes. No other matters were discussed, and no votes were taken.

- A. Vote to convene in executive session.
- B. Acknowledge return to open session.
- C. Statement of executive session minutes.

Item #8: City Manager Employment Contract

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to approve amendment and extension of the City Manager Employment Contract for an additional five (5) year term, ending June 30, 2026.

The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye

Thomas Sweet-aye

Greg Williams-aye

Fred Williams-aye

Kyle Gibson-aye

Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye

Jonnie Mott-aye

V. City Manager Report:

- Mayor Brenda Conley stated that the City Manager will email his report to the council on Wednesday due to his absence.

VI. Council Comments: NONE

VII. Adjourn:

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to adjourn.

The motion passed with the following votes: **(6:58 PM)**

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye

Thomas Sweet-aye

Greg Williams-aye

Fred Williams-aye

Kyle Gibson-aye

Vice-Mayor Russ White-aye

Jonnie Mott-aye

Approved on this _____ day of _____, 2021

Vicky Sutton, City Clerk

Brenda Conley, Mayor