

**CITY OF CATOOSA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2018
REGULAR MEETING**

I. Meeting Convened

A. Call to Order: A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Catoosa was held and called to order by Mayor Brenda Conley at 6:01 p.m. on Monday, the 12th day of February, 2018, at Catoosa City Hall, 214 S. Cherokee, 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: Brad Brooks, FBC Rolling Hills

C. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Brenda Conley

D. Roll Call: The following council members were **present** for this meeting: Ward#6 Councilor Russ White; Ward #5 Councilor Dale Zerbe; Ward#3, Councilor Greg Williams; Ward #2, Councilor and Vice Mayor Thomas Sweet; Ward #1 and Mayor Brenda Conley.

The following council members were **absent** from this meeting: Ward #4, Councilor Shawn Battles, and Member at Large Councilor Derrick Hildebrant.

The following staff members were present for this meeting: John Blish, Acting City Manager; Wendy Knight, City Clerk; Kevin McKim, Police Chief; Denus Benton, Fire Chief; Terry Whiteley, City Planner; and City Attorney Eric Wade, of Rosenstein, Fist & Ringold.

E. Proclamation: A proclamation declaring February 13, 2018 as Ira Lee Griffith Conley Burris Day.

F. Public Comments:
There were no public comments.

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 January 22, 2018 Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Regular and Prepaid Claims
3. Financial Statements for December 2017

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

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Dale Zerbe-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye	Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	

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

IV. Agenda Items:

Item #1: Resolution 2018-534 Lot Combination

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to approve Resolution 2018-534, a resolution of the City of Catoosa City Council approving LC-2018-1, a lot combination application from David Smith. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Dale Zerbe-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye	Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	

Item #2: Resolution 2018-535 Environmental Review Record Resolution for 17000 CDBG 17 (Phase II Rolling Hills Overlay)

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Dale Zerbe** to approve Resolution 2018-535, a resolution of the City of Catoosa City Council, establishing an environmental review record for the CDBG project and requesting a release of funds from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Dale Zerbe-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye	Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	

Item #3: Appointment of Park Board Member

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to appoint Denise Carlton to the Park Board for a term expiring January 1, 2019. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye
Greg Williams-aye

Dale Zerbe-aye
Russ White-aye

Item #4: Curtis Conley Memorial Park

A motion was made by **Russ White** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to approve purchasing outdoor tables, trash receptacles, and grills for Curtis Conley Memorial Park, from OCI in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 from the Park Fund. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye
Greg Williams-aye

Dale Zerbe-aye
Russ White-aye

Item #5: Curtis Conley Memorial Park

A discussion was held regarding the Catoosa Public Schools “The Leader in Me” partnership request.

Item #6: Proposed Executive Session

A motion was made by **Greg Williams** and seconded by **Thomas Sweet** to enter into executive session. The motion **passed** with the following votes: **(6:22 PM)**

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye
Greg Williams-aye

Dale Zerbe-aye
Russ White-aye

Statement of Executive Session Minutes:

Mayor Brenda Conley acknowledged the City Council returned to open session at **7:55 PM**. During executive session, the City Council held confidential communications regarding the matters listed under Agenda Item #6 on the agenda for this meeting. The acting City attorney was present for the discussions pertaining to **(A)** engaging in confidential communications between the City Council and its attorney concerning pending litigation, to wit: *Colbey Webster v. City of Catoosa*, United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma Case No. 17-CV-507-GK, the Council having been advised by its attorney that disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the City to process or conduct the litigation in the public interest, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307(B)(4) of the Oklahoma Statutes; and **(B)** discussing matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to remain or to locate within the City of Catoosa, where public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of products or services or would violate the confidentiality of the business, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307(C)(10) of the Oklahoma Statutes.

- a. Vote to convene in executive session.
- b. Acknowledge return to open session.
- c. Statement of executive session minutes.

Item #7: Colbey Webster v. City of Catoosa

A motion was made by **Brenda Conley** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to authorize the City Attorney, in consultation with the Acting City Manager and Mayor, to proceed with the litigation, to wit: *Colbey Webster v. City of Catoosa*, United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma Case No. 17-CV-507-GK, in a manner consistent with the discussion in executive session. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Dale Zerbe-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye	Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	

V: New Business: There was no new business.

VI: City Manager Report: John Blish informed the City Council of the following:

- Woodcrest lift station going out for bids this month.
- 21st of this month, company coming out to scope sewer lines.
- Redbud lift station scheduled for preventative maintenance.
- New digital recorder in council chambers.
- Pine street lights are coming in.
- Website meeting February 20th.
- FOP and IAFF have filed letters of intent to negotiate.
- The Chamber Banquet will be this Saturday.

VII: Council Comments: There were no Council comments.

VIII: Adjourn:

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Dale Zerbe** to adjourn. The motion passed with the following votes: **(8:02PM)**

Mayor Brenda Conley-aye	Dale Zerbe-aye
Vice-Mayor Thomas Sweet-aye	Russ White-aye
Greg Williams-aye	

Approved on this _____ day of _____, 2018

Wendy Knight, City Clerk

Brenda Conley, Mayor