

**CITY OF CATOOSA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2019
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 23rd day of September, 2019 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: Councilor Greg Williams

C. Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Brenda Conley

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

The following staff members were present for this meeting: John Blish, City Manager; Vicky Sutton, City Clerk; Andy Wimberley, Lieutenant; Ronnie Benight, Police Chief; Eddie Faulkner, Assistant City Planner; Denus Benton, Fire Chief; Jesse Payne, PWA Maintenance Director and City Attorney Eric Wade, of Rosenstein, Fist & Ringold.

E. Public Comments: Larry Upshaw, 1281 Oak Rd, Catoosa, OK 74015 spoke to the Council regarding the enforcement of grass not being trimmed around driveways and curbs and trees that are growing over the roads in Woodcrest. Homeowners would like to have the Ordinance updated regarding domesticated animals.

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 **September 9, 2019** Regular Meeting
- 2) Approval of Minutes of the **September 13, 2019** Special Workshop
- 3) Approval of Regular and Prepaid Claims
- 4) Approval of Financial Statements for August 2019

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Jonnie Mott** 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:

Item #1: Naming of A Private Drive

Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve or deny a request by Kelly Berry to name a Private Drive “Berry Court”.

This item died for lack of a motion. No action was taken.

Item #2: PSO Rebate and Savings

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to approve cost saving analysis with First Light Systems through PSO in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. 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 #3: Shadow Valley Rehab Construction

A motion was made by **Fred Williams** and seconded by **Kyle Gibson** to approve \$225,000.00 to repair the roadway within the addition of Shadow Valley, to be taken out of the Streets and Parks Account. 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

Item #4: Roadway Projects

A motion was made by **Thomas Sweet** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to approve \$315,000.00 to repair the roadways, within the City of Catoosa, to include Rice Street, 168th East Avenue and Tiger Switch, to be taken out of the Streets and Parks Account. 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

Item #5: Appointment of Museum Board Member

A motion was made by **Greg Williams** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to appoint Larry Wagle to the Museum Board. 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

Item #6: 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: **(6:50 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

Statement of Executive Session Minutes:

Mayor Brenda Conley acknowledged the City Council returned to open session at **7:00 P.M.** 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 purpose of discussing the employment and evaluation 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.

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

No other matters were discussed and no votes were taken.

V: New Business: There was no new business.

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

- John introduced our new Police Chief Ronnie Benight; he was a Catoosa Police Officer 17 years ago. I think Ronnie has a lot of integrity, which is one of the things I admire the most about him. I feel he will do a good job pushing that department forward and keep things in focus for us.

VII: Council Comments:

- Mayor Brenda Conley noticed the lights flickering at the back door. She got a call today regarding the overgrown grass and limbs that are hindering their sight at the corner of Dead Dog Road and Tiger Switch.

VIII: Adjourn:

A motion was made by **Fred Williams** and seconded by **Thomas Sweet** to adjourn. The motion passed with the following votes: **(7:10 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	

Approved on this _____ day of _____, 2019

Vicky Sutton, City Clerk

Brenda Conley, Mayor