

August 2, 2021

The **REGULAR** meeting of the **CHICKASHA CITY COUNCIL** was held in the council chambers in city hall on the 2nd day of August 2021 as specified by advance public notice with a properly prepared agenda stating the subject matter or matters to be discussed at said meeting. Mayor Mosley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ITEM 1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Opening Prayer / Pledge of Allegiance

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

PRESENT: Chris Mosley, Mayor
Zachary Grayson, Vice-Mayor
Brian Gerdes
David Sikes
Georgianne Hebblethwaite
Oscar Nelson

ABSENT: Clark VanDyck
R. P. Ashanti-Alexander
Kelly Boyd

STAFF

PRESENT: Amanda Mullins, City Attorney
Susan M. McDaniel, City Clerk
K. D. Rowell, Police Chief
Tony Samaniego, Fire Chief
Cindy Rogers, Finance Director
Rachel Bernish, Community Development Director
Lillie Huckaby, Library Director
Shae Mortimer, Marketing & Civic Engagement Manager

ITEM 1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Opening Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Member Sikes gave the invocation and Council Member Nelson lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Roll call:

Sikes – Present
Hebblethwaite – Present
Grayson – Present
Gerdes – Present
Nelson - Present
Mosley - Present

ITEM 2. **Citizen Comments:**

(City Council Rules and Regulations limit visitor comments to a maximum of three minutes.)

ITEM 3. **Council Communications.**

- a. Presentation of Retirement Watch to Chris Calhoun, Chickasha Fire Department.
- b. Presentation of Retirement Watch to James “Randy” Brown, Chickasha fire Department.

Council Member Sikes conveyed his appreciation to the employees who worked on Sunday to repair a water break.

ITEM 4. **Consent Docket: ITEM 4a through ITEM 4c.**

- ITEM 4a. Acceptance of the minutes of the July 14, 2021, Special Meeting and the minutes of the July 19, 2021, regular Council Meeting.
- ITEM 4b. Acceptance of Claims List.
- ITEM 4c. Acceptance of appointment of Cindy Rogers as City Treasurer.

*Motion by Council Member Nelson, second by Council Member Grayson to approve the Consent Docket: ITEM 4a thru Item 4c.

Roll call vote:

Ayes:”	Nelson, Sikes, Gerdes, Hebblethwaite, Grayson, .and Mosley
“Nays:”	None
“Abstain:”	None.
Motion carried.	6-0

ITEM 5. **Discussion/Approval of Items Removed from Consent Docket:**

No Action Taken.

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ITEM 6. **Discussion and Consideration Items:**

ITEM6a. **Public Hearing – to discuss and consider the rezoning application for a portion of Lots 15 & 19, Section 5, T-6-N, R-7-W, I.M. Grady County, Chickasha OK from R-1 Residential to C-2 General Commercial. (11.70 Acres at the SE Corner of Grand and 29th Street) for Applicant EP Leasing LLC.**

Public Hearing opened at 6:35 p.m.

Kendall Dillion, Agent for Crafton Tull, spoke regarding the request.

Public Hearing closed at 6:37 p.m.

ITEM 6b. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Ordinance 2021-17 – rezoning a portion of Lots 15 & 19, Section 5, T-6-N, R-7-W, I.M. Grady County, Chickasha OK from R-1 Residential to C-2 General Commercial. (11.70 Acres at the SE Corner of Grand and 29th Street) for Applicant EP Leasing LLC.**

***Motion by Council Member Sikes and second by Council Member Gerdes to approve Ordinance 2021-17 – rezoning a portion of Lots 15 & 19, Section 5, T-6-N, R-7-W, I.M. Grady County, Oklahoma from R-1 Residential to C-2 General Commercial.**

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Nelson, Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 6-0

ITEM 6c. **Public Hearing – to discuss and consider approval for the Preliminary Plat of Scissortail Crossing located at a part of the NW of the NW/4 Section 5, T6N, R7W, I.M. Chickasha, Grady County, Oklahoma. (Southeast corner of S. 29th Street and W. Grand Avenue)**

Public Hearing opened at 6:40 p.m.

Kendall Dillion, Agent for Crafton Tull, spoke regarding the request.

Public Hearing closed at 6:42 p.m.

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ITEM 6d. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the Preliminary Plat of Scissortail Crossing located at a part of the NW of NW/4 Section 5, T6N, R7W, I.M. Chickasha, Grady County, Oklahoma. (Southeast corner of S. 29th Street and W. Grand Avenue).**

*Motion by Council Member Sikes and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve the request as presented.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Gerdes, Sikes, Nelson, Hebblethwaite, Grayson and Mosley.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 6-0

ITEM 6e. **Public Hearing – to discuss and consider approval of the Preliminary Plat for Red Bud Ridge located at being a part of the E1/2, of Section 8, T-6-N, R-7-W, I.M. Chickasha, Grady County, Oklahoma. (Located along the South end of Pondridge Road)**

Public Hearing opened at 6:43 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Hearing closed at 6:44 p.m.

ITEM 6f. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the Preliminary Plat for Red Bud Ridge located at being a part of the E1/2, of Section 8, T-6-N, R-7-W, I.M. Chickasha, Grady County, Oklahoma (located along the south end of Pondridge Road).**

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Gerdes to approve this request as presented.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Nelson, Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 6-0

ITEM 6g. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action authorizing Staff to surplus the attached list of cellphones to be declared surplus and allow the City Manager to dispose of as appropriate.**

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*Motion by Council Member Sikes and second by Council Member Nelson to authorize Staff to surplus the attached list of cellphones to be declared surplus and allow the City Manager to dispose of as appropriate.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:”	Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Gerdes, Nelson, Grayson and Mosley.
“Nays:”	None.
“Abstain:”	None.
Motion passed.	6-0

ITEM 6h. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the appointment of Annick Bellemain to the Library Board to fill a vacant position with a term expiring June 30, 2024.

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Sikes to appoint Annick Bellemain to the Library Board to fill the vacant position with a term expiring June 30, 2024..

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:”	Nelson, Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley.
“Nays:”	None.
“Abstain:”	None.
Motion passed.	6-0

ITEM 6i. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve grant reimbursement in the amount of \$71,000.00 to Gail Bush as recommended by the Chickasha Economic Development Council, Inc.

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Sikes to approve grant reimbursement in the amount of \$71,000.00 to Gail bush as recommended by the Chickasha Economic Development Council, Inc.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:”	Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Nelson, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley.
“Nays:”	None.
“Abstain:”	None.
Motion passed.	6-0

ITEM 6j. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on a request for an 18-month extension on Economic Development Project of Chickasha Today, LLC.

*Motion by Council Member Gerdes and second by Council Member Nelson to approve the 18-month extension on Economic Development Project of Chickasha Today, LLC.

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Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Nelson, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 6-0

ITEM 7. **Executive Session:**

ITEM 7a. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to enter into executive session to discuss negotiations concerning employees and representatives of employee groups under the provisions of 25 O.S. Section 307B(2). The purpose of the proposed Executive Session is to discuss the possible adoption of a Memorandum of Understanding addressing confidential employee matters between the City of Chickasha and the IAFF, Local 2041.

ITEM 7b. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to enter into executive session to discuss confidential communications between the City and City’s Attorneys concerning a pending investigation, claim or action which the City with the advice of the City’s Attorneys, has determined that disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the City to process the claim or conduct the pending investigation, litigation, or proceeding in the public interest in compliance with its duty of confidentiality under the provisions of 25 O.S. Section 307(B)(4). (*James Blue, et al vs the City of Chickasha*, Western District: CIV-20-1210-G).

ITEM 7c. Discussion, consideration and possible action to reconvene open session and take appropriate action on matters discussed in Executive Session.

*Motion by Council Member Sikes and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to enter into Executive Session:

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Nelson, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 6-0

Entered into Executive Session at 6:51 p.m.

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Reconvened regular session at 6:59 p.m.

Roll call:

Nelson – Present
Sikes - Present
Hebblethwaite – Present
Gerdes – Present
Grayson – Present
Mosley - Present

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Sikes to authorize the Mayor/Interim City Manager to settle the James Blue, et al vs the City of Chickasha lawsuit in the amount of \$141,710.91 in exchange for an agreed to release of claims.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:”	Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Nelson, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley
“Nays:”	None.
“Abstain:”	None.
Motion passed.	6-0

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Nelson to authorize the Mayor/Interim City Manager to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Chickasha and the I.A.F.F. Local 2041 pending a new Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:”	Sikes, Hebblethwaite, Nelson, Gerdes, Grayson and Mosley
“Nays:”	None.
“Abstain:”	None.
Motion passed.	6-0

ITEM 8 Adjournment:

Motion by Council Member Sikes and second by Council Member Nelson to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

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Approved this 16th day of August 2021.

_____/s/_____
Chris Mosley, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Susan M. McDaniel, City Clerk