

May 20, 2024

The **REGULAR** meeting of the **CHICKASHA CITY COUNCIL** was held in the council chambers in city hall on the 20th day of May 2024 as specified by advance public notice with a properly prepared agenda stating the subject matter or matters to be discussed at said meeting. Mayor Grayson 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: Zachary Grayson, Mayor
Georgianne Hebblethwaite, Vice-Mayor
Kelly Boyd
Oscar Nelson
Kea Ginn
John Smith
Erica Alexander
Charlie Burruss
Brian Gerdes

ABSENT: None.

STAFF

PRESENT: Amanda Mullins, City Attorney
Rachel Berish, Asst. City Manager
Susan McDaniel, City Clerk
Sgt. Myrko, Police Dept.
Tony Samaniego, Fire Chief
Elaine Jensen, Finance Director
Lillie Huckaby, Library Director
Spencer Winzenried, Parks & Rec Director
Darren Martin, Chief Bldg. Inspector
Shae Mortimer, Marketing and Civic Engagement Manager

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

Council Member Gerdes gave the invocation and Council Member Alexander the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call:

Boyd – Present
Nelson - Present
Ginn – Present
Hebblethwaite – Present
Smith - Present – Present
Alexander – Present
Burruss - Present
Gerdes – Present
Grayson – Present

ITEM 2. **Citizen Comments:**

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

Parker Denton, Chickasha – announced a county candidate forum set for June 6, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Canadian Valley Technology Center. All Grady County Candidates are invited to set up a table to speak with citizens.

Reford Alcorn, Chickasha- commented on the Safety of Children in Chickasha.

ITEM 3. **Council Communications.**

3a. Presentation by Jim Cowan, Executive Director Chickasha Economic Development Council.

Vice-Mayor Hebblethwaite thanked Mayor Grayson for the opportunity to stand in his place at the CHS Graduation ceremony.

Vice-Mayor Hebblethwaite announced the Lady Drivers going to Nationals and wish them luck.

Council Member Burruss commented about the accomplishment of the water distribution project that was done on the east side of town.

Council Member Gerdes noted that financial information needs to be updated on the City's website.

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

- ITEM 4a. Acceptance of the minutes of the May 6, 2024, regular Council Meeting.
- ITEM 4b. Acceptance of Claims List.
- ITEM 4c. Acceptance of Application for Retirement Pension and Tax Withholding Election Forms from Oklahoma Municipal Retirement Fund (OkMRF) for Clinton Ferguson.
- ITEM 4d. Acknowledge receipt of the EDC Check Register for April 2024.
- ITEM 4e. Acknowledge receipt of CIA Minutes for April 9, 2024.
- ITEM 4f Approve the request from the Chickasha Chamber of Commerce to conduct a “Decorated ATV/Motorcycle/Bicycle Parade” through Shannon Springs Park on July 4, 024, at 10:00 a.m.
- ITEM 4g. Acceptance of the appointment of Kea Ginn to the Chickasha Industrial Authority.
- ITEM 4h. Acceptance of the appointment of Scott S. Smith to the Chickasha Industrial Authority.
- ITEM 4i. Acceptance of Resolution 2024-12R amending the FY 23-24 Budget..

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite, second by Council Member Alexander to approve the Consent Docket: ITEM 4a thru Item 4i.

Roll call vote:

Ayes:”	Nelson, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd and Grayson.
“Nays:”	None.
“Abstain:”	Ginn.
Motion carried.	8-0-1

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

No Action Taken.

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

- ITEM6a. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Resolution 2024-09R – Requesting Quality Event Designation for the Red Angus Youth Expo to be held June 8-14, 2024.

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve Resolution 2024-09 as presented

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:”	Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, and Grayson.
“Nays:”	Burruss.

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“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 8-1

ITEM 6b. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve a contract with the YMCA for operation of the municipal swimming pool for the 2024 season.

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Alexander to approve a contract with the YMCA for operation of the municipal swimming pool for the 2024 season.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn and Grayson.

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 9-0

ITEM 6c. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Resolution 2024-10R - A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR USE OF TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDS SET FORTH BY IIJA FOR THE OLD TOWN RAILROAD PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT IN THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, AUTHORIZING SAID APPLICATION, ACKNOWLEDGING THE LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT AND THE MAINTENANCE COMMITMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE APPLICATION.

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Ginn to approve Resolution 2024-10R as presented.

** Amended Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Ginn to approve Resolution 2024-10R with Section 2 and Section 3 defined as “Phase 1 – Engineering” of the project.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Nelson, Ginn, and Grayson.

“Nays:” Burruss and Boyd.

“Abstain:” Gerdes.

Motion passed. 6-2-1

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ITEM 6d. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Resolution 2024-11R - A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE ELIBILITY OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO BE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORATION FOR USE OF TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDS SET FORTH BY IJA FOR THE SHANNON SPRINGS PARK PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT IN THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, AUTHORIZAING SAID APPLICATION, ACKNOWLEDGE THE LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT AND THE MAINTENANCE COMMITMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE APPLICATION.

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Ginn to approve Resolution 2024-11R as presented.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Alexander, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith and Grayson.

“Nays:” Burruss.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 8-1

ITEM 7.

ITEM 7 Adjournment:

Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Gerdes to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

TIME: 9:47 P.M.

Zachary Grayson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan M. McDaniel, City Clerk

Approved this 3rd day of June 2024.