August 19, 2024

The **REGULAR** meeting of the **CHICKASHA CITY COUNCIL** was held in the council chambers in city hall on the 19th day of August 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
Chief Music, Police Dept.
Elaine Jensen, Finance Director
Darren Martin, Chief Bldg. Inspector
Jim Crosby, Public Works Director
Spencer Winzenried, Parks & Rec Director
Lillie Huckaby, Library Director
Tracey Austin, HR Director
Shae Mortimer, Marketing and Civic Engagement Manager

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

City Council Meeting 8-19-2024
6:30 p.m.

Roll call:

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

Council Member Burruss gave the invocation and Council Member Smith the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2. Citizen Comments:

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

Mitch Williams, Chickasha – thanked Council for the new hangars built at the airport.

ITEM 3. Council Communications.

Vice Mayor Hebblethwaite asked if the area in front of the Shannon Springs Nursing Home was a city-maintained street.

ITEM 4. Consent Docket: ITEM 4a through ITEM 4e.

ITEM 4a. Acceptance of the minutes of the August 5, 2024, regular Council Meeting.
ITEM 4b. Acknowledge receipt of EDC – Check Detail – July 2024.
ITEM 4c. Acknowledge receipt of CIA Minutes for July 9, 2024.
ITEM 4d. Acceptance of the Claims List.
ITEM 4e. Acceptance of the Financials for July 2024.

*Motion by Council Member Alexander, second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve the Consent Docket Item 4a – 4 e.

Roll call vote:

Ayes:”	Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Gerdes, Boyd, and Grayson.
“Nays:”	None
“Abstain:”	Burruss
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. **Public Hearing – regarding the proposed creation of two increment districts and adoption of the Gateway to Chickasha Economic Development Project Plan.**

Public Hearing opened at 6:36 p.m.

Greg Elliott, former Mayor – spoke in favor of the proposed project plan.
Chris Mosley, former Mayor – spoke in favor of the proposed project plan.
Brandi Terry, Downtown business owner – spoke in favor of the proposed project plan.
Chet Hitt, Downtown business owner – spoke in favor of the proposed project plan.
Jim Cowan, CEDC – presented a letter from Charles Ferguson, former Mayor - speaking in favor of the proposed project plan.
Eric Anderson, Chickasha – wants to see a successful future for the City, as well as his family and the proposed project could help that happen.
Bud Lowe, Chickasha – feels that the community is good as it is and that everyone needs a "voice" in the matter.
George Thomas, Chickasha – prefers the "small town" home and request his property be removed from the proposed area.
Lori Elzo, Chickasha – Commented that First National bank did not "opt out" of the proposed area.
John Nelson, Chickasha – wanted to ask some clarifying questions regarding the proposal.

Public Hearing closed at 8:17 p.m.

ITEM 6b. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to create sponsorship agreements with businesses and allow them to advertise their companies on City property.**

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Alexander to create sponsorship agreements with businesses and allow them to advertise their companies on City property.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Boyd, Nelson, and Grayson
"Nays:"	Burruss, and Gerdes.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	7-2

ITEM 6c.	**Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize Staff to solicit bids for COC-2405 – 2024 Mowing Leases.**

*Motion by Council Member Alexander and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to authorize Staff to solicit bids for COC-2405 – 2024 Mowing Leases.

Council Member Smith left his seat at 8:42 p.m.
Council Member Smith returned to his seat at 8:43 p.m.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, and Grayson
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6d.	**Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Pay Request No. 4 in the amount of $242,155.00 - Construct T-Hangar projects to Diversified Construction of Oklahoma, Inc.**

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Smith to approve Pay Request No. 4 in the amount of $242,155.00 – Construct T-Hangar project to Diversified Construction of Oklahoma, Inc.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6e.	**Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the FY 2024-2025 accounting services contract with Crawford and Associates.**

*Motion by Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Ginn to approve the FY 2024-2025 accounting services contract with Crawford and Associates.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6f.	**Discussion, consideration, and possible action on a request from the Grady County Coordinated Community Response Team to conduct a fund-raising event (Together We Heel) on September 28, 2024.**

*Motion by Council Member Alexander and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve request from Grady County Coordinated Community Response Team to conduct a fund-raising event (Together We Heel) on September 28, 2024.

Roll call vote:	
"Ayes:"	Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6g.	**Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Pay Request No. 2 in the amount of $188,030.38 – Water Distribution Improvements 18608 CDBG 22 to Marsau Enterprises, Inc.**

*Motion by Council Member Smith and second by Council Member Nelson to approve Pay Request No. 2 in the amount of $188,030.38 – Water Distribution Improvements 18608 CDBG 2 to Marsau Enterprises, Inc.

Roll call vote:	
"Ayes:"	Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6h.	**Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Pay Request No. 3 in the amount of $260,172.18 – Water Distribution Improvements 18608 CDBG 22 to Marsau Enterprises, Inc.**

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Nelson to approve Pay Request No. 3 in the amount of $260,172.18 – Water Distribution Improvements 18608 CDBG 22 to Marsau Enterprises, Inc.

Roll call vote:	
"Ayes:"	Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.

"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6i. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve change order No. 3 – Final – for Marsau Enterprises, Inc. reducing the amount of $28,788.00 for CMA-2302 – a/k/a 18608 CDBG 22 – Water Distribution Improvements and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.**

*Motion by Council Member Ginn and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve Change Order No. 3 – Final – for Marsau Enterprises, Inc. reducing the amount of $28,788.00 for CMA-2302 – a/k/a 18608 CDBG 22 – Water Distribution Improvements and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Gerdes, Burruss, Boyd, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6j. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve amended Pay Request No. 4 – Final – in the amount of $101,163.99 – Water Distribution Improvements 18608 CDBG 22 to Marsau Enterprises, Inc.**

*Motion by Council Member Alexander and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve amended Pay Request No. 4 – Final – in the amount of $101,163.99 – Water Distribution Improvements 18608 CDBG 22 to Marsau Enterprises, Inc.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6k. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve temporary street closure for the First OLD TOWN CHICKASHA CAR SHOW to be held in the 100-200 blocks of Chickasha Avenue on October 19, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

*Motion by Council Member Smith and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve temporary street closure for the First OLD TOWN CHICKASHA CAR SHOW to be held in the 100-200 blocks of Chickasha Avenue on October 19, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6l. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to declare a true emergency exists relating to the flooding in the City Hall Basement pursuant to Section 3 of the City of Chickasha City Charter and waive the Competitive Bidding Requirements of Section 3 of the City of Chickasha City Charter due to a true emergency vital to the health and welfare of the citizens of the City and authorize an expenditure to Groundworks in the amount of $82,299.08.**

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Alexander to declare a true emergency exists relating to the flooding in the City Hall Basement pursuant to Section 3 of the City of Chickasha City Charter and waive the Competitive Bidding Requirements of Section 3 of the City of Chickasha City Charter due to a true emergency vital to the health and welfare of the citizens of the City and authorize an expenditure to Groundworks in the amount of $82, 299.08.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6m. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize the purchase of two 2024 Ram 4500 trucks from Joe Cooper Dodge/Ram using State Contract #SW0035 for a total amount of $142,280.00.**

*Motion by Council Member Ginn and second by Council Member Alexander to authorize the purchase of two 2024 Ram 4500 trucks from Joe Cooper Dodge/Ram using State Contract #SW0035 for a total amount of $142,280.00.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.

"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6n. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve the purchase of a 2024 Ram 4500 4x4 Crew Cab truck from Joe Cooper Dodge/Ram using State Contract #SW0035 for a total amount of $72,794.00.**

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Smith to approve the purchase of a 2024 Ram 4500 4x4 Crew Cab truck from Joe Cooper Dodge/Ram using State Contract #SW0035 for a total amount of $72,794.00.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6o. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize the reimbursement to Grady County District 2 for the paving of 29th Street from Grand Avenue to Highway 62 and paving of North 4th Street in the amount of $415,070.94 as per the Interlocal Agreement.**

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Ginn to authorize the reimbursement to Grady County District 2 for the paving of the 29th Street from Grand Avenue to Highway 62 and paving of North 4th Street in the amount of $415,070.94.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6p. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize the reimbursement to Grady County District 2 for the paving of 29th Street from Grand Avenue to Country Club Road, 16th Street from Country Club Road to Pikes Peak, and Cottonwood from Highway 81 to the Railroad Tracks in the amount of $340,884.81 as per the Interlocal Agreement.**

*Motion by Council Member Ginn and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to authorize the reimbursement to Grady County District 2 for the paving of 29th Street from

Grand Avenue to Country Club Road, 16th Street from Country Club Road to Pikes Peak, and Cottonwood from Highway 81 to the Railroad Tracks in the amount of $340,884.81 as per the Interlocal Agreement.

Roll call vote:

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

ITEM 6q. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to accept a temporary easement from David and Shanequa Richie for the South 20.00 feet of North 35.00 feet of a Tract of Land described by Deed in Book 2903 at Page 33, Grady County, Oklahoma for a water line project.**

*Motion by Council Member Burruss and second by Council Member Nelson to accept a temporary easement from David and Shanequa Richie for the South 200.00 feet of North 35.00 feet of a Track of Land described by Deed in Book 2903 at Page 33, Grady County, Oklahoma for a water line project.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6r. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to accept a permanent easement in exchange for $2,500.00 from David and Shanequa Richie for the North 15.00 feet of a Tract of Land described by Deed in Book 2903 at Page 33, Grady County, Oklahoma for a water line project.**

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Alexander to accept a permanent easement in exchange for $2,500.00 from David and Shanequa Richie for the North 15.00 feet of a Tract of Land described by Deed in Book 2903 at Page 33, Grady County, Oklahoma for a water line project.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, and Grayson.
"Nays:"	None.
"Abstain:"	None.
Motion passed.	9-0

ITEM 6s. **Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize the Agreement with Non-Litigating Political Subdivisions through the Office of the Attorney General and the Oklahoma Opioid Abatement Board and accept settlement funds to be expended for Opioid Remediation.**

*Motion by Council Member Nelson and second by Council Member Boyd to authorize the Agreement wth Non-Litigating Political Subdivisions through the Office of the Attorney General and the Oklahoma Opioid Abatement Board and accept settlement funds to be expended for Opioid Remediation.

Roll call vote:

"Ayes:"	Hebblethwaite, Smith, Alexander, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, 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 Alexander to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

TIME: 9:25 P.M.

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Zachary Grayson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Susan M. McDaniel, City Clerk

Approved this 3rd day of September 2024.