

March 3, 2025

The **REGULAR** meeting of the **CHICKASHA CITY COUNCIL** was held in the council chambers in city hall on the 3rd day of March 2025 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
Erica Alexander
Charlie Burruss
Brian Gerdes

ABSENT: John Smith

STAFF

PRESENT: Jim Crosby, City Manager
Rachel Berish, Asst. City Manager
Amanda Mullins, City Attorney
Susan McDaniel, City Clerk
Tony Samaniego, Fire Chief
Chief Music, Police Dept.
Darren Martin, Chief Building Inspector & Airport Manager
Omar Fierro, Public Works Director
Spencer Winzenried, Parks & Rec Director
Tracey Austin, HR Director
Elaine Jensen, Finance Director
Shae Mortimer, Marketing and Civic Engagement Manager

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

Roll call:

Boyd - Present
Nelson – Present

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Ginn - Present

Hebblethwaite – Present

Alexander – Present

Burruss - Present

Gerdes – Present

Grayson - Present

Council Member Hebblethwaite gave the invocation and Council Member Ginn lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2. **Citizen Comments:**

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

Joseph Nieto, Chickasha – presented information about upcoming “Meet the Candidates” event and information about a permanent drop box for eyeglasses.

Eric Anderson, Chickasha - voiced concerns about lease of a public building and city spending.

ITEM 3. **Council Communications.**

Item 3a. Judge Chaffin administered the Police Officer Oath of Office to Lane Thompson.

Council Member Burruss brought the road condition of east Grand to 62.

Council Member Alexander acknowledged the outstanding performance of the Chickasha Wrestling team.

ITEM 4. **Consent Docket: ITEM 4b, 4c, 4d, 4f, and 4g.**

ITEM 4b. Acceptance of the Claims List.

ITEM 4c. Approve Freeway Prayer Walk request from the Resurrection House/LSI to be held March 9, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

ITEM 4d. Approve the Offender Watch subscription contract with Watch Systems, LLC.

ITEM 4f. Approve the 17th Annual Chickasha Area Arts Council Rock Island Arts Festival and Annual Food Truck Championship during Friday, September 26th and Saturday, September 27, 2025, and authorize the street closures as requested.

ITEM 4g. Approve a request from the 2nd Base Savers to conduct their first 2nd Base Savers 5K/1Mile fun run fund-raiser on Saturday, April 5, 2025, at 8:00 a.m.

*Motion by Council Member Boyd, second by Council Member Alexander to approve the Consent Docket Item 4b, 4c, 4d, 4f, and 4g.

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Roll call vote:

Ayes:” Boyd, Nelson, Ginn, Hebblethwaite, Alexander, Gerdes, and Grayson.
“Nays:” None.
“Abstain:” Burruss
Motion carried. 7-0-1

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

ITEM 5a. Acceptance of the Minutes of the February 17, 2025, regular meeting.

*Motion by Council Member Burruss second by Council Member Gerdes to approve Item 4a with amendment to Item 6c to reflect vote cast by Burruss to reflect as a “Nay” vote.

Roll call vote:

“Ayes:” Hebblethwaite, Burruss, Gerdes, Boyd, Nelson, and Grayson.
“Nays:” None.
“Abstain:” Ginn and Alexander.
Motion passed. 6-0-2

ITEM 5e. Appointment of Marissa Moore to the Planning Commission to Replace James Schoppa.

*Motion by Council Member Burruss second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to approve Item 4e to appoint Marissa Moore to the Planning Commission to replace James Schoppa.

Roll call vote:

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

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

ITEM 6a. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to accept the Financial Audit for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.

Audit was presented by Andy Cromer, Director of HSPG & Associates.

*Motion by Council Member Burruss second by Council Member Alexander to accept the Financial Audit for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.

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Roll call vote:

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

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 8-0

ITEM 6b. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to engage HSPG & Associates, LLC to perform the City of Chickasha’s audit services for FY23 and FY24 and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.

*Motion by Council Member Alexander and second by Council Member Hebblethwaite to engage HSPG & Associates, LLC to perform the City of Chickasha’s audit services for FY23 and FY24 and authorize the Mayor to execute the same.

Roll call vote:

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

“Nays:” None.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 8-0

ITEM 6c. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to approve Ordinance 2025-04 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICKASHA, GRADY COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 2 “ADMINISTRATION”, ARTICLE V, “BOARDS COMMISSIONERS, AGENCIES AND SIMILAR BODIES”, SECTION 2-169, “AVIATION BOARD”, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL APPOINT TWO OF ITS MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE AVIATION BOARD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

*Motion by Council Member Hebblethwaite and second by Council Member Ginn to approve Ordinance 2025-04 as presented.

Roll call vote:

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

“Nays:” Burruss and Gerdes.

“Abstain:” None.

Motion passed. 6-2

ITEM 7.

ITEM 7 Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourned.

TIME: 7:15 p.m.

Zachary Grayson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan M. McDaniel, City Clerk

Approved this 7th day of April 2025.