

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OKEMAH CITY COUNCIL

WHEN: MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: OKEMAH CITY HALL, 502 WEST BROADWAY, OKEMAH, OK

PRESENT: Ron Gott, Ronnie Lucas, Brandon Anderson, Wayne Bacon

ABSENT: Mike Ishmael

ALSO PRESENT: Kristy Lesley, City Manager; Relena Haddox, City Clerk/Treasurer

FLAG SALUTE AND ROLL CALL

- **Ron Gott** initiated the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and confirmed the presence of a quorum.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM.

- Relena Haddox completed roll call confirmed attendance.
- Ron Gott called the meeting to order, confirming a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- **Motion:** Approve minutes.
 - **Proposed by:** Ronnie Lucas
 - **Seconded by:** Wayne Bacon
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS.

- **Motion:** Approve purchase orders
 - **Proposed by:** Brandon Anderson
 - **Seconded by:** Ronnie Lucas
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval

PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

- No public appearances were noted for the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION INTO THE CITY OF OKEMAH, OKLAHOMA, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER (NE/C) OF SECTION SEVENTEEN (17), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE TEN (10) EAST, OKFUSKEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA; THENCE S01°05'36"E 1346.74 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S01°05'36"E 1291.79 FEET; THENCE S89°00'11"W 2637.33 FEET; THENCE N01°10'06"W 1298.59 FEET; THENCE N74°10'27"E 2137.46 FEET; THENCE N86°43'07"E 202.79 FEET; THENCE N75°49'39"E 282.91 FEET; THENCE S06°25'23"W 528.73 FEET; THENCE S12°32'28"E 102.03 FEET; THENCE N88°54'24"E 24.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING,

AND,

THE SOUTH 71.71 FEET OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN GOVERNMENT LOT 3 OF SECTION EIGHTEEN (18), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE TEN (10) EAST, SAID PARCEL MORE PARTICULARLY

DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE NW/C OF LOT 3; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 3 A DISTANCE OF 683.27 FEET; THENCE EAST 60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE EAST 208.71 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 208.71 FEET; THENCE WEST 208.71 FEET; THENCE NORTH 208.71 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID PARCEL LYING EAST OF THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF HIGHWAY 27,

AND,

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NW/4 NE/4) OF SECTION NINETEEN (19), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE TEN (10) EAST OF THE INDIAN BASE AND MERIDIAN, LESS AND EXCEPT A 1.5 ACRE TRACT DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (N/2 NW/4); THENCE EAST A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 1320 FEET; THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET; THENCE NORTH A DISTANCE OF 1320 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, OKFUSKEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA.

- The annexation of certain properties into the city of Okemah was discussed, with all property owners consenting to be part of the TIF district.

CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO ENACT ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1 ANNEXING TERRITORY INTO THE CITY OF OKEMAH, SAID TERRITORY WITH THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE OWNERS OF MORE THAN A MAJORITY OF THE ACRES TO BE ANNEXED AND SUBSEQUENT TO PROVIDING ALL NOTICES REQUIRED BY LAW; PROVIDING THAT FROM AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ANNEXATION, ALL OF THIS TERRITORY SHALL BE A PART OF THE CITY OF OKEMAH, OKLAHOMA, AND ALL PERSONS WITHIN SUCH TERRITORY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION, CONTROL, LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF OKEMAH, OKLAHOMA, AND ALL RESPECTS AND PARTICULARS; PROVIDING WHICH CITY COUNCIL WARDS THE TERRITORY SHALL BE INCLUDED WITHIN, UPON ANNEXATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER (NE/C) OF SECTION SEVENTEEN (17), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE TEN (10) EAST, OKFUSKEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA; THENCE S01°05'36"E 1346.74 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S01°05'36"E 1291.79 FEET; THENCE S89°00'11"W 2637.33 FEET; THENCE N01°10'06"W 1298.59 FEET; THENCE N74°10'27"E 2137.46 FEET; THENCE N86°43'07"E 202.79 FEET; THENCE N75°49'39"E 282.91 FEET; THENCE S06°25'23"W 528.73 FEET; THENCE S12°32'28"E 102.03 FEET; THENCE N88°54'24"E 24.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING,

AND,

THE SOUTH 71.71 FEET OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN GOVERNMENT LOT 3 OF SECTION EIGHTEEN (18), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE TEN (10) EAST, SAID PARCEL MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE NW/C OF LOT 3; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 3 A DISTANCE OF 683.27 FEET; THENCE EAST 60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE EAST 208.71 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 208.71 FEET; THENCE WEST 208.71 FEET; THENCE NORTH 208.71 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID PARCEL LYING EAST OF THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF HIGHWAY 27,

AND,

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NW/4 NE/4) OF SECTION NINETEEN (19), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE TEN (10) EAST OF THE INDIAN BASE AND MERIDIAN, LESS AND EXCEPT A 1.5 ACRE TRACT DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (N/2 NW/4); THENCE EAST A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 1320 FEET; THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET; THENCE NORTH A DISTANCE OF 1320 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, OKFUSKEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA.

- Ordinance number 2024-1 was enacted to annex territory into the city of Okemah, with one abstention.
- An emergency was declared regarding the annexation, with one abstention.
- **Motion:** Approve ordinance
 - **Proposed by:** Wayne Bacon
 - **Seconded by:** Ronnie Lucas
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:**
 - ✓ Yes: Ronnie Lucas, Ron Gott, Wayne Bacon
 - ✓ No: None
 - ✓ Abstained: Brandon Anderson
- **Motion:** Approve emergency
 - **Proposed by:** Ron Gott
 - **Seconded by:** Ronnie Lucas
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:**
 - ✓ Yes: Ronnie Lucas, Ron Gott, Wayne Bacon
 - ✓ No: None
 - ✓ Abstained: Brandon Anderson

CONSIDER AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION.

- **Motion:** Approve Carol Brown
 - **Proposed by:** Ron Gott
 - **Seconded by:** Brandon Anderson
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval

DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A COLLECTION CONTRACT WITH ABERDEEN ENTERPRISES II, INC.

- **Motion:** Approve contract
 - **Proposed by:** Ron Gott
 - **Seconded by:** Brandon Anderson
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval

DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A COLLECTION CONTRACT WITH RS2 SOLUTION, LLC.

- **Motion:** Approve contract
 - **Proposed by:** Brandon Anderson
 - **Seconded by:** Wayne Bacon
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval

DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE CLOSURE OF THE ALLEY REFERRED TO AS SHAWNA RUSSELL WAY.

- **Motion:** Submit application
 - **Proposed by:** Wayne Bacon
 - **Seconded by:** Ronnie Lucas
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval

DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RIGHT OF WAY ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH DOBSON TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

- **Motion:** Approve agreement
 - **Proposed by:** Ron Gott
 - **Seconded by:** Wayne Bacon
 - **Discussion:** None
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval

DISCUSSION OF THE STATUS AND PROGRESS OF THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

- Updates were provided on several city projects, signage, airport work, and the ditch completion.

TREASURERS REPORT.

- **Relena Haddox** reported on March tax deposits.

CITY MANAGERS COMMENT.

- **Kristy Lesley** reported on the upcoming mapping initiatives and Pioneer Day.

COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES FROM BOARD MEMBERS.

- **Ronnie Lucas** raised concerns from citizens about the installation of trees on Main Street.
- **Wayne Bacon** announced the Easter egg hunt was for Saturday at 9 o'clock in the park.

ADJOURNMENT.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm by Mayor Ron Gott.

Relena Haddox, City Clerk

Ron Gott, Mayor