

Council Chambers at City Hall 401 S. Johnstone Avenue Bartlesville, OK 74003

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BARTLESVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, June 22, 2023 4:00 p.m.

Vice Mayor Jim Curd, Jr. 918-338-4282

## **MINUTES**

(The Notice of Meeting and the Agenda was posted June 20, 2023 at 3:45 p.m.)

Present were Councilmembers Trevor Dorsey, Billie Roane and Loren Roszel. Absent were Mayor Dale Copeland and Vice Mayor Jim Curd.

City staff present were Mike Bailey, City Manager; Tracy Roles, Assistant City Manager; Jess Kane, City Attorney; Micah Siemers, Director of Engineering; Police Chief Kevin Ickleberry; Laura Sanders, Director of Human Resources; Kelli Williams, Chief Communications Officer; Larry Curtis, Director of Community Development; and Elaine Banes, Executive Assistant.

- 1. The business meeting of the Bartlesville City Council was called to order by Councilmember Dorsey at 4:00 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call was conducted and a quorum established.
- 3. The invocation was provided by Mr. Dorsey.
- 4. Citizens to be heard.

There were no citizens to be heard.

5. Discuss and take possible action to approve short form contract with Lee Construction to remove and reinstall the shade structure at Civitan Park. Presented by Micah Siemers, Director, Engineering Department.

Mr. Siemers reported that the shade structure covering the playground equipment at Civitan Park was donated to the City of Bartlesville in 2014 by the local Civitan Club. The structure is a 60'x60' steel structure with a fabric canopy. On Friday, May 12, 2023, City staff noticed an excessive amount of movement in one of the columns of the shade canopy at Civitan Park. While it was not a particularly windy day, there was a breeze and the structure was making creaking sounds with noticeable movement in the southeast column. Upon further inspection, some of the connections on the structure had been compromised with broken or missing bolts and gaps at connections that should have been flush. Staff determined that to be safe, the park should be closed to allow for a more in-depth inspection of the structure. In the following weeks, the connections between the columns and footings were exposed and found that the anchor bolts had not been set correctly and the columns were not securely fastened to the footings. Also, the footings were all set at different elevations, varying as much as 6.5 inches. Since the columns

had been set directly on the footings, rather than using jack nuts to level the columns, the entire structure was out of plumb which led to higher stresses on the connections between columns, rafters, and the ridge beam. It is staff's opinion that improper installation of the structure led to the compromised connections and broken bolts. Staff began coordinating with a structural engineer to ensure the proper precautions are being taken. Based upon this information, the only way to fix the problem is to remove the structure, make modifications to the footings, repair damaged structural connections while the structure is on the ground, and then reinstall. Staff has reached out to three local and regional contractors for quotes to remove and reinstall the shade structure. The work on the footings and repairs to the structure will be done by city staff or via a separate contract, depending upon the final modifications that are still being vetted. Staff received the following quotes. Bob Chaney Steel Construction (Dewey, OK) \$15,000.00 and Lee Construction (Bartlesville, OK) \$7,600.00 The third contractor has not furnished a quote at the time of this report. There was no funding identified for this project as part of the FY 22-23 capital budget since it is somewhat of an emergency situation that has only come to light in the past month. Sufficient funding is available in unallocated sales tax at this time, and Staff is recommending utilizing unallocated sales tax funds to cover the cost of the work. The effect of this work will be reflected in the available remaining unallocated sales tax funds for FY 23-24.

Discussion covered the difference in the bid amounts; how both bidders were shown the cover and submitted their bids following the on-site inspection; and how the budget amendment will be made with inter-department approval.

Ms. Roane moved to award the bid to Lee Construction in the amount of \$7,600.00 as presented, seconded by Mr. Roszel.

Voting Aye: Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey

Voting Nay: None Motion: Passed

6. Discuss and take possible action to approve the Agreement between the City of Bartlesville, Oklahoma and the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 117 for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025. Presented by Jess Kane, City Attorney.

Mr. Kane began his report by saying how much the City and the FOP Lodge 117 Union enjoy a very collaborative relationship, and the FOP union representatives are very good to work with. He continued that he and City staff reached an agreement with the FOP, which will last through June 30, 2025. The agreement is subject to Council approval. Major negotiated revisions to the proposed contract are as follows: 2-year Agreement; updated PayScale with 3% COLA in year two or equivalent to what is received by general employees, whichever is greater; and mutually beneficial updates to per diem provisions. Except as above set forth, the contract contains largely the same provisions as the 2021-2023 and previous contracts. All members of the City staff who were involved in this contract negotiation recommend approval of the above contract.

Discussion covered the actual percentages of the level changes; how the cost of living percentage is determined; and how negotiating a multiyear contract is beneficial to the union and the City. Mr. Kane added that should the salary percentages fall behind in a multi-year contract, the City will bring the percentages forward into the current range at the next negotiation of agreement. Ms. Roane and Mr. Roszel expressed their appreciation of Mr. Kane, City staff and the Union Representatives.

Mr. Roszel moved to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Bartlesville and Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 117 for FY 2023-2025 as presented, seconded by Ms. Roane.

Voting Aye: Ms. Roane, Mr. Roszel, Mr. Dorsey

Voting Nay:

Motion: Passed/Failed

## 7. City Manager and Staff Reports.

Mr. Bailey reported that 20<sup>th</sup> Street between Johnstone Ave. and Dewey Avenue will be closed June 26-30 for repairs.

He also reported that trash service for Tuesday, July 4 will be conducted on Wednesday, July 5.

8. City Council Comments and Inquiries.

Mr. Dorsey congratulated Kevin Ickleberry for being appointed the new Police Chief.

9. There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Dorsey adjourned the meeting at 4:22 p.m.

Dale W. Copeland, Mayor

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Jason Muninger, CFO/City Clerk

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