MINUTES OF THE COWETA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2020 6:00 P.M.

The members of the Coweta City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Coweta City Hall, 310 S Broadway, Coweta, Oklahoma.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Evette Young, Harold Chance, Naomi Hogue, Logan Brown, Randy Woodward.

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Young.

II. Pledge of Allegiance given

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call taken. Councilmembers were present as shown above.

IV. GENERAL CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Police Chief Mike Bell stated that the Christmas parade went well with no accidents or injuries. City Manager Roger Kolman recognized the date as the start of the United States' involvement in World War II in 1941. Mr. Kolman also introduced Jerry Burtner as Coweta's new Fire Chief.

V. CONSENT

Motion by Harold Chance, second by Logan Brown to approve the consent calendar items:

1. Minutes of the Coweta City Council Regular Meeting held on November 2, 2020.
2. Declaration of surplus and authorization of the City Manager to retire K-9 Officer Si and dispose of such surplus property appropriately.

Aye: Harold Chance
Logan Brown
Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Naomi Hogue

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Purchase of Slide In Animal Transporter

Animal Control Officer Phyllis Baucom discussed the need for the of a slide in animal transporter for the new Animal Control vehicle.

Motion by Randy Woodward, second by Harold Chance to approve the purchase of the slide animal transporter from Jones Trailer Company at a cost of $7,060.58.

Aye: Randy Woodward
Harold Chance
Naomi Hogue
Logan Brown
Evette Young

2. Ordinance 838 Contractor Registration

Building Official John Staires described the changes needed to the City Code to discontinue the local registration of plumbing, electrical, and mechanical journeymen and apprentices. The state licensing acts were amended on November 1, 2003 to require or permit local registration of licensed contractors in each of these three occupations; however, the licensing acts contain no mention of local registration of journeymen and apprentices. The intent of the changes was to eliminate local registration of journeymen and apprentices, many of whom were required to obtain and pay for local registrations in multiple jurisdictions at their own expense.

Motion by Harold Chance, second by Randy Woodward to adopt Ordinance 838, an ordinance of the City of Coweta, Oklahoma, amending Part 5, Building Regulations and Codes of the City of Coweta, Oklahoma Code of Ordinances, particularly Sections 5-202, 5-310, and 5-802 relating to the registration of contractors in the City of Coweta, providing for repealer, severability, and declaring an emergency.

Aye: Harold Chance
Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Naomi Hogue
Logan Brown

3. Declaration of an Emergency Ordinance 838

Discussion was held regarding possible action declaring an emergency for Ordinance No. 838, making it effective immediately upon passage and approval. Motion by Harold Chance, second by Logan Brown to declare an emergency related to Ordinance 838.

Aye: Harold Chance
Logan Brown
Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Naomi Hogue

4. Ordinance 840 Political Campaign Signs

Community Development Director Carolyn Back discussed amendments needed as a result of recent Supreme Court rulings to the City Code regarding political signs on private property.

Motion by Harold Chance, second by Randy Woodward to adopt Ordinance 840, an ordinance of the City of Coweta, Oklahoma, amending Chapter 18, Sign Code of the City of Coweta Zoning Code, particularly Sections 18.3 – General Use Conditions and 18.8 – Political Signs, relating to the time periods for the location and display of political signs on private property in the City of Coweta, providing for repealer, severability, and declaring an emergency.

Aye: Harold Chance
Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Naomi Hogue
Logan Brown

5. Declaration of an Emergency Ordinance 840

Discussion was held regarding possible action declaring an emergency for Ordinance No. 840, making it effective immediately upon passage and approval. Motion by Harold Chance, second by Logan Brown to declare an emergency related to Ordinance 840.

Aye: Harold Chance
Logan Brown
Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Naomi Hogue

6. Ordinance 841 Property Maintenance Code

John Staires described the proposed changes to the City Code to assist City staff in addressing building condition and maintenance issues throughout the city. The proposed changes will aid in the preservation of property values and help to maintain neighborhood integrity and attractiveness.

Motion by Harold Chance, second by Randy Woodward to adopt Ordinance 841, an ordinance of the City of Coweta, Oklahoma, amending Part 8, Health and Sanitation, of the City of Coweta, Oklahoma Code of Ordinances, adopting the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code, providing for specific local requirements, providing for codification of same as Chapter 9, Section 9-901, providing for severability, and declaring an emergency.

Aye: Harold Chance

Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Naomi Hogue
Logan Brown

7. Declaration of an Emergency Ordinance 841

Discussion was held regarding possible action declaring an emergency for Ordinance No. 841, making it effective immediately upon passage and approval. Motion by Harold Chance, second by Logan Brown to declare an emergency related to Ordinance 841.

Aye: Harold Chance
Logan Brown
Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Naomi Hogue

8. Specific Use Permit CZ 20-12 SUP

Carolyn Back presented information on the need to take action on Specific Use Permit application CZ 20-12 SUP. City Attorney Ron Cates explained that the City Council must make a decision to approve or disapprove the application. The applicants' attorney, Stuart Van de Wiele, discussed the application and requested approval of the Specific Use Permit CZ 20-12 SUP.

Motion by Harold Chance, second by Randy Woodward to approve the application for Specific Use Permit CZ 20-12 SUP.

Aye: Harold Chance
Naomi Hogue

Nay: Randy Woodward
Evette Young
Logan Brown

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Evette Young, second by Harold Chane to enter into Executive Session at 6:26 p.m. for the purposes of confidential communications related to the purchase or appraisal of real property in accordance with 25 O.S. 307.B.3.

Aye: Evette Young
Logan Brown
Randy Woodward
Harold Chance
Naomi Hogue

Mayor Young announced we were back in open meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Motion by Evette Young, second by Harold Chance to direct the City Manager to take appropriate action to order an appraisal on real property in accordance with 25 O.S. 307.B.3.

Aye: Evette Young
Harold Chance
Naomi Hogue
Logan Brown
Randy Woodward

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Young adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

CITY OF COWETA SEAL WAGONER COUNTY OKLAHOMA

Evette Young
Evette Young, Mayor

Julie Casteen
Julie Casteen, City Clerk