

Council Chambers
Municipal Building
May 29, 2012

The McAlester City Council met in Special session on Tuesday, May 29, 2012, at 5:00 P.M. after proper notice and agenda was posted, May 24, 2012, at 5:00 P. M.

Call to Order

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Council Roll Call was as follows:

Present: Weldon Smith, Travis Read, Robert Karr, Sam Mason & Steve Harrison
Absent: Buddy Garvin
Presiding: Steve Harrison, Mayor

Staff Present: John Modzelewski, City Engineer/Public Works Director; Mel Priddy, Community Services Director; David Medley, Utilities Director; Darrell Miller, Assistant Police Chief; Brett Brewer, Fire Chief; Pam Kirby, Human Resource Manager; Toni Ervin, Chief Finance Officer; Peter Stasiak, City Manager; William J. Ervin, City Attorney and Cora Middleton, City Clerk

Scheduled Business

WORKSHOP

1. Discussion of Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Budget.

Manager Stasiak addressed the Council explaining that the first Budget Workshop had been on May 15, 2012 and since that meeting some changes had come up that he would like to see added to the preliminary budget that had been presented to them. He commented that by moving the health insurance to Aetna it would reduce that amount by \$125,492.00 and the City would also receive a \$75,000.00 credit on the first month's premium. He added that the Non-Uniform Council had recommended a Fitness Membership for all non-uniform employees to Dave's Fitness for \$3,000.00 per year as part of the Wellness program. He stated that after further research of the Ambulance Service Supplies needs he would like to add an additional \$6,000.00 to that. He commented that the OSHA Physicals had been under budgeted and would need \$16,750.00 more and the Fire Department's repairs and maintenance would need an additional \$3,600.00. Manager Stasiak stated that the Community Services Department would need an additional \$12,000.00 to continue the replacement of Christmas lights and the Nutrition Program would need an additional \$3,600.00 to cover the amount that had been reduced from the State funding. He informed the Council that with the changes in the physicals required for new hires,

he was requesting an additional \$14,200.00 to cover that expense. He then stated that all the changes and additions had totaled a reduction of \$141,342.00 in the budget.

There was discussion, among the Council regarding tracking of the employees' use of the fitness program, tracking the use over the next twelve months, and if the employees would have to sign up.

The Council then reviewed the requests from the outside organizations with most of the organizations addressing the Council explaining and defending their budget requests. Manager Stasiak stated that he was looking at priority areas and that the City had a good solid budget.

Mayor Harrison asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. A motion was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Karr for an Executive Session in accordance with Title 25, Sec. 307.B.2 to discuss negotiations concerning employees and representatives of employee groups: IAFF, and in accordance with Title 25, Sec. 307.B.4 for Confidential communications between a public body and its attorney concerning a pending investigations, claims, or actions, more particularly: City of McAlester v. Randy Green, Case No. C-06-844. There was no discussion, and the vote was taken as follows:

AYE: Councilman Smith, Read, Karr, Garvin, Mason & Mayor Harrison
NAY: None

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried and the Special Meeting was recessed at 6:56 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1) Proposed executive session pursuant to Title 25, Sec. 307 (B) (2) to discuss negotiations concerning employees and representatives of employee groups: IAFF
- 2) Proposed executive session pursuant to Title 25, Sec. 307(B)(4) for Confidential communications between a public body and its attorney concerning a pending investigations, claims, or actions, more particularly: City of McAlester v. Randy Green, Case No. C-06-844

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

The Special Meeting was reconvened at 8:25 P.M. Mayor Harrison reported that the Council had recessed the Special Meeting for an Executive Session to discuss negotiations concerning employees and representatives of employee groups: IAFF, in accordance with Title 25, Sec. 307.B.2, and for Confidential communications between a public body and its attorney concerning a pending investigations, claims, or actions, more particularly: City of McAlester v. Randy Green, Case No. C-06-844 in accordance with Title 25, Sec. 307.B.4. Only those matters were discussed, the Council took not action, and returned to open session at 8:25 P.M., and this constituted the Minutes of the Executive Session.

- Consider, and act upon approval of contract proposal with IAFF for FY 2012-2013.

Mayor Harrison moved to submit this formal proposal conditioned on approval or rejection by the IAFF's entire membership on or before June 8, 2012.

There was no discussion, and the vote was taken as follows:

AYE: Councilman Read, Karr, Garvin, Mason, Smith & Mayor Harrison

NAY: None

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Smith moved for the meeting to be adjourned, seconded by Councilman Read. There was no discussion, and the vote was taken as follows:

AYE: Councilman Read, Karr, Garvin, Mason, Smith & Mayor Harrison

NAY: None

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

ATTEST:

Steve Harrison, Mayor

Cora Middleton, City Clerk