

The McAlester City Council met in Special session on Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 5:30 P.M. after proper notice and agenda was posted, July 9, 2014 at 4:49 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, John Titsworth, Buddy Garvin, Jason Barnett & Steve Harrison
Absent: Robert Karr
Presiding: Steve Harrison, Mayor

Staff Present: Peter J. Stasiak, City Manager; John Modzelewski, P.E, City Engineer/Public Works Director; William J. Ervin, City Attorney and Cora Middleton, City Clerk

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Read and seconded by Councilman Smith to open a Public Hearing addressing an ordinance amending the fiscal year 2014-2015 Budget.

Councilman Karr arrived at 5:31 P.M.

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

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

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried and the public hearing was opened at 6:31 P.M.

Public Hearing

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF McALESTER, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2501 WHICH ESTABLISHED THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-15; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

There were no comments from the Council or the audience. Vice-Mayor Read moved to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith and the vote was taken as follows:

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

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried and the public hearing was closed at 6:32 P.M.

Scheduled Business

1. Consider, and act upon, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2501 which established the budget for fiscal year 2014-2015; repealing all conflicting ordinances; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency.

Executive Summary

To appropriate funds for the South Main Water Main Replacement Project.

ORDINANCE NO. 2510

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF McALESTER, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2501 WHICH ESTABLISHED THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-15; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Read and seconded by Councilman Smith to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 2510.**

Before the vote, Manager Stasiak explained that this amendment was to appropriate funds for the water main project that was to be considered in the next item. He informed the Council that the amendment was for \$460,000.00 and should include inspections for the project if awarded this evening.

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

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

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried.

Vice-Mayor Read moved to approve the EMERGENCY CLAUSE, seconded by Councilman Smith.

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

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

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried.

2. Consider, and act upon, authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract between the City of McAlester and W. Brown Enterprises, Inc. for the construction of approximately 2,900

linear feet of new 12-inch PVC C900 water main and necessary appurtenances along the east side of South Main Street from T.H. Rogers to Oklahoma Avenue.

Executive Summary

Award construction contract to W. Brown Enterprises, Inc. for water main on South Main.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Read and seconded by Councilman Smith to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract between the City of McAlester and W. Brown Enterprises, Inc. for the construction of approximately 2,900 linear feet of new 12-inch PVC C900 water main and necessary appurtenances along the east side of South Main Street from T.H. Rogers to Oklahoma Avenue.

Before the vote, Manager Stasiak informed the Council that representatives from Mehlburger Brawley were present to discuss the project as they had fast tracked their process in order to help the City address the situation.

Robert Vaughan, Project Manager for Mehlburger Brawley addressed the Council explaining that his firm had fast tracked the process after the Council had declared an emergency at the June 24th meeting. He informed them that he had contacted eight (8) contractors that he felt would be capable of accomplishing the project and of those five (5) indicated that they were too busy to take on another project at this time. The remaining three (3) attended the pre-bid meeting and two (2) submitted bids. He commented that there was an alternate bid that included boring the entire project which would have been significantly higher. Mr. Vaughan recommended the low bidder W. Brown Enterprises and stated that his firm had past experience with the company and they would send their most experienced crew.

There was discussion among the Council including Mr. Vaughan and Manager Stasiak concerning the project(s) that W. Brown Enterprises, Inc. had worked on, their performance on those projects, the pre-bid estimate of the project, the other bidder, the difference between the estimates and having some cushion in the amount appropriated.

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

AYE: Councilman Read, Smith, Garvin, Barnett, Titsworth, Karr & Mayor Harrison

NAY: None

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried.

Recess Council Meeting

Mayor Harrison asked for a motion to recess the Special Meeting to convene the McAlester Public Works Authority. A motion was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Vice-Mayor Read to recess the Special Meeting to convene the McAlester Public Works Authority. There was no discussion, and the vote was taken as follows:

AYE: Councilman Smith, Read, Titsworth, Karr, Garvin, Barnett & Mayor Harrison

NAY: None

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried and the Special Meeting was recessed at 5:37 P.M.

Reconvene Council Meeting

The Special Meeting was reconvened at 5:38 P.M.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Garvin moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith, and the vote was taken as follows:

AYE: Councilman Garvin, Smith, Barnett, Titsworth, Read, Karr & Mayor Harrison

NAY: None

Mayor Harrison declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 P.M.

ATTEST:

Steve Harrison, Mayor

Cora Middleton, City Clerk