

**MINUTES  
TECUMSEH CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 1, 2023  
6:00 P.M.  
114 N BROADWAY  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**MEETING PROCEDURE:**

Comments from the Public are welcome during the course of the meeting: Comments not scheduled on the Agenda will be heard under Public Comments; and Comments on all scheduled Agenda Items will be heard immediately following the presentation by Staff or Petitioner. Please wait until you are recognized by the Mayor and keep comments as brief as possible. The Council will act on an Agenda Item after comments from the Staff and Public have been heard.

1. Invocation was given by Collier.
2. Flag Salute by Smith.
3. Called meeting to order at 6 pm.
4. Roll Call: Farris, Stewart, Bradley, and Collier were present; Parker was absent.
5. Discussion and possible action on 2022 fiscal year audit presented by Casey Russell, CPA.

A motion was made by Bradley and seconded by Farris to accept audit. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

6. Review of City Manager's Report.  
Broken pole fixed, signs ordered, lost lines at well field.

7. **Consent Agenda**

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are deemed non-controversial and routine in nature by the governing body. They will be approved by one motion of the governing body. The items on the Consent Agenda will not be discussed. Any member of the governing body desiring to discuss an item on the Consent Agenda may request that it be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed in its proper order on the Regular Agenda. It will then be considered at that time.

- A. Receive and approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 3, 2023.
- B. Review and approval of the purchase orders.
- C. Review of the Financial Statements.

A motion was made by Collier and seconded by Farris to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

8. Consider Items Removed from the Consent Agenda for Discussion.

None

9. Consider and Act on items removed from the Consent Agenda, if any.

None.

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** The purpose of the Public Comments Section of the Agenda is for members of the public to speak to the City Council on any Subject **not scheduled** on the Regular Agenda. The City Council shall make no decision or take any action, except to direct the City Manager to take action, or to schedule the matter for Council discussion at a later date. **THOSE ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES BY NAME AND LIMIT COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS TO 3 MINUTES.**

No public comments.

11. Discussion and possible action on Payment #4 in the amount of \$247,785.61 to Krapff Reynolds for the sewer line project.

A motion was made by Farris and seconded by Bradley to approve. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Nay	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

12. Discussion and possible action on the Ballot for the Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group selecting a board member.

A motion was made by Farris and seconded by Collier to vote for Tim Lyon, Pam Polk, and Justin Battles for Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group board member. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Nay	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

13. Discussion and possible action on the rates, fees and court fines for the City of Tecumseh – item requested by Councilmember John Collier.

No action taken. Put something on next agenda (June).

14. Discussion and possible action on allowing spOkeLAHOMA to host an event on Saturday, June 3, 2023, closing Broadway Street from 5 a.m. to midnight for a bike run called Fenrir Unchained.

A motion was made by Collier and seconded by Farris to approve street closing. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Nay	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

15. Discussion and possible action on having a special council meeting.

A motion was made by Farris and seconded by Bradley to approve special meeting. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Nay	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

16. Discussion and possible action on the Proclamation for the April 19, 2023 Tornado and declaring an emergency and issuing a proclamation concerning the Tornado on April 19, 2023.

A motion was made by Farris and seconded by Bradley to approve proclamation. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Nay	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

17. Discussion and possible action on Comments and inquiries from Council Members.

Stewart commented – good job about storm damage.

18. **PUBLIC HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROPERTY AT 19575 GORDON COOPER DRIVE, TECUMSEH, OK SHOULD BE REZONED FROM C-5 (COMMERCIAL) TO A-1 (AGRICULTURE). CURRENT USE OF THE PROPERTY IS COMMERCIAL, PROPOSED USE OF THE PROPERTY IS RESIDENTIAL. THE APPLICANT, CITY STAFF, AND INTERESTED PERSONS MAY SPEAK IN FAVOR OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE REZONING. PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THE APPLICATION BE GRANTED.**

Public hearing opened at 6:36p.m.

Delbert Roller – spoke about re-zoned, no guard shack. Add 340 ft to house.

Public hearing closed at 6:39p.m.

19. Consideration and action to determine whether to grant the application to rezone the property at 19575 Gordon Cooper Drive, Tecumseh, OK from C-5 to A-1.

A motion was made by Collier and seconded by Farris to approve rezone. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

20. **PUBLIC HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROPERTY AT 209 E WASHINGTON, TECUMSEH, OK CONSTITUTES A HAZARD TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC, CONSTITUTES A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND SHOULD BE ABATED AT THE OWNER’S EXPENSE, AND WHETHER THE BUILDING(S) AT THE ABOVE DESCRIBED ADDRESS SHOULD BE ABATED AND REMOVED AT THE OWNER’S EXPENSE.**

Public hearing open at 6:39pm

Public hearing closed at 6:41pm

21. Discussion and action to determine whether the property at 209 E Washington, Tecumseh, OK, is detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the general public and should be abated at the owner’s expense, and whether the building(s) at the above described address constitute a nuisance and should be removed and abated, establishing dates for the removal and abatement of such property, authorizing the City Manager to cause the removal and abatement of such public nuisances and authorizing the City Clerk to file a lien as authorized by law.

A motion was made by Bradley and seconded by Collier to approve the abatement. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

22. PUBLIC HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROPERTY AT 506 N 13<sup>TH</sup>, TECUMSEH, OK, CONSTITUTES A HAZARD TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC, CONSTITUTES A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND SHOULD BE ABATED AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE, AND WHETHER THE BUILDING(S) AT THE ABOVE DESCRIBED ADDRESS SHOULD BE ABATED AND REMOVED AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE.

Public hearing open at 6:42pm.

Bart Sigman commented-45 days couldn't get on property, insurance problems.

James Smith spoke, suggested giving time.

Mike Warwick suggested giving 90 days.

Public hearing closed at 6:45pm.

23. Discussion and possible action to determine whether the property at 506 N 13<sup>th</sup>, Tecumseh, OK is detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the general public and should be abated at the owner's expense, and whether the building(s) at the above described address constitute a nuisance and should be removed and abated, establishing dates for the removal and abatement of such property, authorizing the City Manager to cause the removal and abatement of such public nuisances and authorizing the City Clerk to file a lien as authorized by law.

A motion was made by Farris and seconded by Bradley to declare property at 506 N 13<sup>th</sup> a public nuisance. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

A motion was made by Farris and seconded by Bradley to approve a 90 day extension for clean up by property owner. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

24. Discussion and possible action on the Mutual Aid Agreement with the Citizen Potawatomi Nation and the City of Tecumseh.

A motion was made by Bradley and seconded by Farris to accept the Mutual Aid Agreement.

Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

25. Discussion and possible action on advertising for bids to rebuild the power lines at the well field.  
A motion was made by Collier and seconded by Bradley to approve advertising for bids. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion passes.

26. New Business: Any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda.

No New Business

27. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Stewart and seconded by Farris. Roll Call:

Farris	Aye	Stewart	Aye	Bradley	Aye
Collier	Aye	Parker	Absent		

Motion Passes, meeting is adjourned at 6:49pm.

**Passed and approved on the 5th day of June, 2023.**

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Cathy Condit, City Clerk

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Eddy Parker, Mayor