

**MINUTES
YALE CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
209 N. MAIN STREET, YALE, OKLAHOMA
OCTOBER 8, 2019
6:30 P.M.**

OPENING PRAYER

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday October 8, 2019 by Mayor Clara Welch.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Those present were Brian Porter, Jr., Mike Strader, Jason Brown and Clara Welch; Terry Baker was absent.
3. **CONSENT AGENDA** – Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Porter, Welch Nay: None.
 - a. **Approval of Minutes**
 - i. **Regular Meeting – September 10, 2019**
 - b. **Approval of Claims**
 - c. **Financial Statements**
4. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA** – None
5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
 - a. **A Public Hearing to hear evidence and testimony to determine the property located at approximately 538 E. Chicago Avenue and described as GREEN'S ADD 2ND BLK 1 LOTS 3-6, Yale, Oklahoma to be dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – Mayor Welch opened the public hearing at 6:31 p.m. Officer Moore spoke about the property and presented pictures. Judy Hite, daughter of the owner requested 6 months to clean up the property and sell it. The public hearing closed at 6:33 p.m.
6. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES** – Les McGee spoke on his company MASA, they provide benefits to employees covering ground and air transport for medical emergencies. He stated Mr. Kelly had spoke with him as an option for an employee benefit.
7. **GENERAL ORDERS**
 - a. **Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 302 W. Boston Avenue as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – Officer Moore spoke stating the front yard had been cleaned up and they are putting on siding. There are still issues with the backyard and piles of metal stacked up. Mr. Charles French spoke stating his attorney was supposed to be in attendance but had not shown. Mr. French stated he would need 6 months, possibly longer to clean up the property. Clifford Madewell spoke stating he was trying to get the cars fixed up that were on the property. Brian Porter, Jr. stated there had been progress made from where it was a month ago. Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to table the item to the January 14, 2020 meeting to re-visit the status. Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Porter, Welch Nay: None.
 - b. **Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 538 E. Chicago Avenue as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – Mike Strader spoke of the need for it to be mowed and cleaned up, Jason Brown stated the outbuilding was a concern. Officer Moore stated there was glass around the outbuilding as well however the house was all that was included in the abatement. Judy Hyatt spoke stating she needed a few weeks to get the property mowed and cleaned up. Mike Strader made the motion to take the item

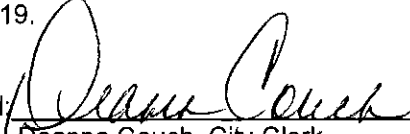
to the January 14, 2020 regular meeting. Clara Welch seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Welch Nay: Porter.

- c. **Consideration, discussion and action on the property located at 102 S. Main Street, Yale, Oklahoma.** – Larry Brown with Fellowship Baptist Church spoke stating they had a date set to haul sand of October 23rd with tear down beginning October 26th. Clara Welch made the motion to table the item the November 12, 2019 regular meeting. Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Porter, Welch Nay: None.
 - d. **Consideration, discussion and action on the property located at 116 N. C Street, Yale, Oklahoma.** – Officer Kelly stated the owners are out of state, Officer Moore stated the property has been mostly gutted and they are continuing to work on it. Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to table the item to the November 12, 2019 regular meeting, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Porter, Welch Nay: None.
 - e. **Consideration, discussion and action regarding street maintenance and repairs.** – Staff discussed areas in town that needed to be addressed including the Rockinghorse Lane drainage issue. Staff requested a 5-year written plan, with projects listed in priority order, estimated costs, a timetable as well as funds available. No action was taken on this item.
 - f. **Consideration, discussion and action regarding grass, weeds and trash.** – Staff discussed current issues in relation to grass, weeds and trash. Grass is on the West side all the way up to the signs on the Right of Ways. Our mowing contract is out and there is staff enough to take care of grass and weed abatements. Right of ways are not getting cleaned out. Resident should be accountable as well as city staff. A solution to look at would be increasing staff. No action was take on this item.
 - g. **Consideration, discussion and action on a professional services agreement with Gose and Associates for the proposed Lawson Cemetery Project.** – Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to accept the professional service agreement with Gose and Associates for the Lawson Cemetery Project. Jason Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Porter, Welch Nay: None.
 - h. **Consideration, discussion and action to authorize staff to approve and set parameters on purchase card agreements and authorized users.** – Staff was encouraged to develop a policy and bring back to the board. No action was taken on this item.
8. **MISCELLANEOUS**
- a. **Consideration, discussion and action on the 2018-2019 fiscal year end financial statements and audit as prepared by CBEW Professional Group.** – Chuck Crooks with CBEW Professional Group presented the 2018-19 financial audit. Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to accept the audit as presented, Jason Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Porter, Welch Nay: None.
 - b. **Consideration, discussion and action on relocating the WWI monument on the Southeast corner of Main and Broadway.** – Mr. Kelly explained that Mr. Foutch who now owns the above referenced property would like to do some streetscaping down Broadway on his property. The monument would need to be removed to have the sidewalk cleaned up. Staff can store and safely move the monument. A committee to research the statue could be formed as well. No action was taken on this item.

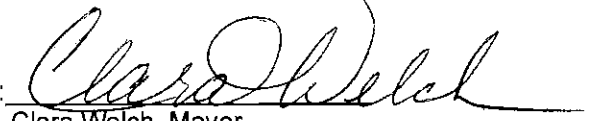
9. **ADJOURNMENT** – Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to adjourn, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Brown, Porter, Welch Nay: None.

The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was adjourned at 7:37 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

Signed:


Deanna Couch, City Clerk

Signed:


Clara Welch, Mayor

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS POSTED THE 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2019 AT 4:00 P.M. AT YALE CITY HALL.