

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
DURANT CITY COUNCIL
ON MAY 24, 2011 AT 3:00 PM
ROSCOE J HATFIELD COUNCIL CHAMBERS, DURANT CITY HALL**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 3:12 pm by Mayor Jerry L. Tomlinson.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by James Dalton, Director of Emergency Management.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Mayor Jerry L. Tomlinson	City Manager James H. Dunegan
	Vice-Mayor Thomas Marcum	City Attorney Pat Phelps
	Council Member Bobby Story	City Clerk Leta McNatt
	Council Member Leon Sherrer	
	Council Member Jerry Polson	

Mayor Tomlinson stated for the record we have a quorum.

Mayor recognized a young man in the audience with his mother, Ethan Barrett who is with the Youth Advisory Board for the Choctaw Nation, and his mother Michelle Hall, the new Assistant Treasurer working with Treasurer An-Chen Lai.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Consider Agreement with BlackBoard Connect for a Mass Notification System (C-2011-33)

James Dalton – Recently BlackBoard Connect gave a presentation with Q/A to the City of Durant department heads. FY 2011-2012 funding for this project is \$12,621.50. The Blackboard Connect for Government service allows government leaders to provide notices, direction, and reassurance to reach thousands of citizens in 15 minutes without having to invest in or maintain hardware, software, or additional phone lines. People get emergency notifications in different ways; it will enable the City of Durant to reach its community quickly and reliably with voice, text, and email messages. Other examples: telephone notification can send out changes in trash pickup dates due to inclement weather, pool closings; which streets are scheduled for repair; traffic court, etc.

Motion made by Council Member Polson and seconded by Vice Mayor Marcum to approve C-2011-33 as presented. Motion carried with the following vote:
Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson
Nay: None Abstain: None

2. Consider Approval of Sculpture Design by Red River Arts Council for Durant Market Square Under the Awarded 2011 OK Arts Council Local Government Challenge Grant (LGCG)

Becca Parr – The City of Durant received a 2011 Oklahoma Arts Council grant award in June 2010 for a partnership with Red River Arts Council (RRAC). The grant award is \$5,000 with a required 1:1 match. The grant project is to design and create a bronze sculptural art piece for the top of the historical base at Market Square. The Red River Arts Council has conducted a solicitation process to select an artist and design. Council must review and approve one of the designs submitted by the selected artist.

Motion made by Council Member Polson and seconded by Vice Mayor Marcum to approve Design #1 Proposal #1 of the life size Dixon Durant statue (with the photo inset). Motion carried with the following vote:
Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson
Nay: None Abstain: None

3. Consider the 2011 FEMA / Homeland Security Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant:

3.a. Approval to Submit Grant Application.

Grants Coordinator Becca Parr received notification for the release of this application. Deadline to submit this grant to the OK State Department of Homeland Security is June 13 (the day before the next regular council meeting). A grant application for up to \$1 million dollars to construct a new Durant Regional EOC at Eaker Field will be completed for submittal to the State Homeland Security Office. The guidelines require a 25% match and may be in the form of cash, in-kind labor and equipment. In 2010 our application rated #2 in the state, so this is another opportunity to compete in this very competitive application.

Emergency Management Director James Dalton stated a new EOC at/near the airport has been on their wish list for quite a while. Emergency Services has started doing a lot of things regionally, the state of Oklahoma incorporates Durant in a number of events. When disasters occur around the US, Emergency Services studies to see what can be improved upon for our area; e.g., in the Joplin MO tornado disaster, the fire station collapsed on top of the fire truck(s). An emergency operations center at the Durant Regional Airport can warehouse surplus equipment such as 2 generators, a fire truck, police car, etc., bunkered in place. Durant is active in the Oklahoma Disaster Task Force. Task Force members come from around the state, meet and stage here in Durant, and then go out. The City owns the land around the Durant Regional Airport – Eaker Field, so out of pocket money will be minimal.

Motion made by Council Member Polson and seconded by Vice Mayor Marcum to approve submission of grant application to FEMA for the 2011 EOC Grant as presented. Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson

Nay: None Abstain: None

3.b. Approval of Match Resolution 2011-22

Becca Parr – action requested by Council is to approve Resolution 2011-22 supporting the 25% required match for necessary in-kind labor, equipment and cash match to complete the Durant Regional Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and supporting infrastructures.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Marcum and seconded by Council Member Polson to adopt Match Resolution 2011-22. Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson

Nay: None Abstain: None

4. Consider Authorization to Move Forward with the Development of a Storm Water Utility Fee

Joseph Marquardt – With Council approval to move forward, Community Development Office will schedule public meetings, have the City Attorney review the final Storm Water Utility Fee program, ordinance and any other supporting documentation to assure all information meets the minimum requirements of the law. J. Marquardt will present final Storm Water Utility Fee program, ordinance and any other supporting documentation to the Planning Commission and the City Council for final adoption and approval.

No Action Taken; Allow Council Members to Research; Table for July agenda.

5. Consider Approval of Recreation Sales and Marketing Position for Specified City Parks and Facilities

No Action Taken; Allow Council Members to Review; Table for June agenda.

6. Consider Authorization to Hire a Temporary Part-Time Employee within the City of Durant Grants Office

Jerry Yandell and Becca Parr – Due to the Grant Coordinator's existing workload, they are requesting a temporary part time contract employee for the Grants Coordinator office. By July 15, there are at least five grant applications due. The Grant Coordinator needs someone to manage the filing and copying so she can research and write. Mayor Tomlinson and Council Member Polson requested data review from June 1 to August 31 to get a productivity comparison with previous productivity data.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Marcum and seconded by Council Member Polson to approve a Temporary part-time employee as presented. Motion carried with the following vote:
Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson
Nay: None Abstain: None

7. Consider Authorization to Bid for a Brush Loader for Solid Waste Collection
(*RFAP Pending*) Bid 2011-069)

Superintendent Larry Mitchell – The equipment cost for a brush loader is \$141,000. The current brush loader is a 1998 model which is in use 3-5 days per week. Their department would like to get a second and use the 1998 model as back up equipment because it also leaks oil and needs frequent repair (hoses, oil, pumps, valves).

Motion made by Council Member Polson and seconded by Vice Mayor Marcum to authorize to Bid 2011-069. Motion carried with the following vote:
Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson
Nay: None Abstain: None

8. Consider Authorization to Apply for a Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant Through the US Department of Justice

Chief Durward Cook – Action for this request is to approve application. If awarded, grant funds will cover one patrolman's salary and benefits over the next three years (\$152,698). There are no matching funds required for this grant.

Motion made by Council Member Sherrer and seconded by Council Member Polson to approve application through the US Department of Justice for a COPS grant, as presented. Motion carried with the following vote:
Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson
Nay: None Abstain: None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made at 3:52 pm to adjourn as declared by Mayor Tomlinson. Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Polson, Sherrer, Story, Marcum, Tomlinson
Nay: None Abstain: None

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Motion made by Trustee Sherrer and seconded by Trustee Polson to authorize to Bid 2011-069.

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