

Council Chambers  
Municipal Building  
June 29, 2010

The McAlester City Council met in Special session on Tuesday, June 29, 2010, at 5:30 P.M. after proper notice and agenda was posted, June 24, 2010, at 4:24 P.M.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Priddle called the meeting to order.

## **ROLL CALL**

Council Roll Call was as follows:

Present: Chris Fiedler, John Browne, Robert Karr, Buddy Garvin, Louis Smitherman & Mayor Priddle  
Absent: Steve Harrison  
Presiding: Kevin E. Priddle, Mayor

Staff Present: Pete Stasiak, City Manager; Gayla Duke, Chief Financial Officer; John Modzelewski, City Engineer/Public Works Director; David Medley, Utilities Director and Cora Middleton, City Clerk

Mayor Priddle announced a brief Special meeting for Thursday, July 1, 2010 at 5:45 P.M. to work on the Sandy Creek issue.

## Scheduled Business

**1.** Consider, and act upon, Emergency Clause immediately enacting Ordinance No. 2362.  
Executive Summary  
Emergency Clause will immediately enact Ordinance No. 2362, updating solid refuse rates.

Mayor Priddle announced that this item would be pulled. He stated that this item dealt with an Emergency Clause on an Ordinance enacting a utility rate increase and Section 2.13 of the City Charter did not allow Emergency Clauses on Ordinances enacting utility rate increases.

## **Workshop**

### **Discussion on Proposal for Repair and Maintenance of City of McAlester Water Storage Tanks.**

Steve Woodward with Utility Service addressed the Council concerning his company's previous inspection of the City's water storage tanks. He reviewed a Power Point presentation with the Council highlighting the various problems each of the water storage tanks was experiencing.

There was a lengthy discussion among the Council and Mr. Woodward concerning the procedures to repair each of the storage tanks, the maintenance program, funding for the repairs

and maintenance, using the annual CPI increase on the utility bills to fund the maintenance program, if the City was required to bid this project, and how long it would take to repair all of the storage tanks.

Sam Mason addressed the Council expressing his support for the repair and maintenance of the water storage tanks but he urged the Council to get clear legal advice as to what needed to be publicly bid and what didn't need to be bid. He commented that water quality was the number one (1) concern of the citizens and the City would probably have a better chance to get approval from the citizens if this matter was taken to a vote.

Mayor Priddle stated that this had not been placed on as an action item and the Council would put in the City Manager's, Finance Director's and the Utilities Director's hands. Vice-Mayor Browne stated that he would like to see this followed through and not put on the back burner and if the City was to go out for bid to give preference to full service bids not just repair only or maintenance only bids.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Council, Councilman Karr moved for adjournment. The motion was seconded by Councilman Garvin. There was no discussion, and the vote was taken as follows:

AYE: Councilman Browne, Karr, Garvin, Smitherman, Fiedler & Mayor Priddle

NAY: None

Mayor Priddle declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

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Kevin E. Priddle, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cora Middleton, City Clerk