

**CITY OF CATOOSA  
CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF APRIL 10, 2023  
REGULAR MEETING**

**I. Meeting Convened**

**A. Call to Order:** A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Catoosa was held and called to order by Councilor Thomas Sweet at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, the 10th day of April 2023 at Catoosa City Hall, 214 S. Cherokee Street, Catoosa, Oklahoma 74015. The meeting was held in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and was posted in accordance therewith at least 24 hours in advance at City Hall for the purpose of discussion, consideration, and possible action on the following agenda items.

**B. Invocation:** Councilor Greg Williams

**C. Pledge of Allegiance:** Councilor Thomas Sweet

**Roll Call:** The following council members were **present** for this meeting: Member at Large, Councilor Jonnie Mott; Ward #5, Councilor Kyle Gibson; Ward #4, Councilor Fred Williams; Ward #3, Councilor Greg Williams; and Ward #2, Councilor Thomas Sweet.

The following council members were **absent** for this meeting: Ward #6, and Vice Mayor Russ White; and Ward #1 and Mayor Brenda Conley.

The following staff members were present for this meeting: John Blish, City Manager; Vicky Sutton, City Clerk; Ronnie Benight, Police Chief; Sargent Greg Faxon; Officer James Kinsinger; Denus Benton, Fire Chief; City Planner, Chris Cieslak; and City Attorney Eric Wade, of Rosenstein, Fist & Ringold.

**D. Public Comments:** NONE

## **II. Consent Agenda:**

**Information:** Consideration and appropriate action relating to a request for City Council approval of the Consent Agenda:

- 1) Approval of Minutes of the **March 27, 2023**, Regular Meeting
- 2) Approval of Regular and Prepaid Claims
- 3) Pay Request No. 18 – Place Strategies, Inc. – Comprehensive Plan – in the amount of \$20,447.99

A motion was made by **Kyle Gibson** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to approve the consent agenda. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Thomas Sweet-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

**III. Items Removed from Consent Agenda:** There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

## **IV. Agenda Items:**

### **Item #1: Catoosa Comprehensive Plan Presentation**

Place Strategies was unable to attend tonight's meeting. City Manager John Blish informed the council that some changes have been made and approval of the Comprehensive Plan will be on the next agenda. No votes were taken.

### **Item #2: Change Order No.1- American Concrete Rolling Hills Park Project**

A motion was made by **Greg Williams** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to approve Change Order No.1, to American Concrete, Inc., in the amount of (\$8,160.00) for additional items of work on the Rebid for the City of Catoosa Rolling Hills Park Project. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Thomas Sweet-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

### **Item #3: Pay Request No. 9 Hamby-Lynch Public Safety Complex Design**

A motion was made by **Kyle Gibson** and seconded by **Jonnie Mott** to approve Pay Request No. 9 from GH2 Architects, LLC for the Hamby-Lynch Public Safety Complex design in the amount of \$19,779.90.

The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Thomas Sweet-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

**Item #4: Pay Request No. 4 Hamby-Lynch Public Safety Complex Construction Management**

A motion was made by **Jonnie Mott** and seconded by **Greg Williams** to approve Pay Request No. 4 from Myers-Cherry Construction, LLC for the Hamby-Lynch Public Safety Complex construction management in the amount of \$156,771.89. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Thomas Sweet-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

**Item #5: Final Plat- Denbo Bluff P-2022-01**

A motion was made by **Greg Williams** and seconded by **Fred Williams** to approve final plat for the subdivision for the Denbo Bluff with 4 lots and 2 blocks located at the NE intersection of Bluff and Denbo, Catoosa, OK 74015. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Thomas Sweet-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

**Item #6: Ordinance No. 2023-435-C**

A motion was made by **Greg Williams** and seconded by **Jonnie Mott** to adopt, Ordinance No. 2023-435-C amending Title 5, Chapter 3, Section 5-3-1 “Definitions” revising the definition of Trash as described below from the current definition to the proposed definition:

A. Current definition: Any refuse, litter, ashes, leaves, debris, paper, combustible materials, rubbish, offal, waste, or matter of any kind or form which is uncared for, discarded or abandoned.

B. Proposed definition: Any refuse, litter, ashes, leaves, debris, paper, combustible materials, rubbish, offal, waste, brick, broken concrete, cinder blocks, lumber, construction materials, cinders, plaster, automobile frames, dead trees, demolished by fire, and other bulky heavy material, automobile parts, furniture, trunks, televisions, mattresses, box-springs, appliances, sinks, toilets, bath-tubs, doors, heating and air-conditioning units, fans, heater, barrels, metal, pipe, carpet, drywall, ducts, roofing products / materials, insulation, plumbing fixtures, vacuum cleaners, sewing machines, rugs, exercise equipment, weights, lawn mowers, lawn equipment, water heaters, office equipment, tires, tanks, trash bags, portable swimming pools and accessories, wood / chain fence panels, wood / metal fence posts, cardboard boxes, water coolers, bicycles / bicycle parts, toys, motorcycles / motorcycle parts, swing sets, clothing, tree limbs, Christmas trees, plastic

waste/containers/products, paint cans/paint products, discarded pallets, discarded brick/stone/concrete block, tin and aluminum cans, batteries, oil, electronic equipment, glass, mirrors, windows curtains/valances, books/magazines, electrical cords, planting containers, bar-b-q pits/equipment, dinnerware, bedding material, water softener tanks and accessories, landscaping implements, trailers, tarps, shopping carts, lamps, or matter of any kind or form which is uncared for, discarded or abandoned. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Thomas Sweet-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Greg Williams-aye	Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

**Item #7: Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. 2023-435-C**

Due to lack of a quorum, the emergency clause did not pass.

**V. New Business:** There was no new business.

**VI. City Manager Report:** John Blish, City Manager informed the City Council of the following:

- Special Olympics Horseshoe Tournament will be held this weekend at Rogers Point. The City supplies them with bathrooms and tents.
- Curb and Gutter work is continuing at the splash pad at 205<sup>th</sup> and Admiral. We were shooting for a May 1<sup>st</sup> opening but due to the weather, we will be opening Memorial Day.
- Splash pad at Conley Park will open for Helen Paul students May 22<sup>nd</sup> through May 25<sup>th</sup>. The City will open it to the public Memorial Day weekend, with the help of the Police and Fire departments hosting a hot dog cookout.
- Hamby-Lynch-Police & Fire departments are continuing to hold on job-site meetings every two weeks. We are still coming in under budget. GH2 and Myers-Cherry are doing a great job with all of the adjustments that are coming along.
- LibertyFest will be held June 22<sup>nd</sup> - June 25<sup>th</sup> and will include the carnival again this year. The maintenance department will be working on getting the parking lots and bathrooms ready. We are working on getting live bands for every night.
- Soccer Complex opening and ribbon cutting was held last Friday. We had several people in attendance; Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Cherokee Councilors, Rogers County, District 3 Commissioner, Ron Burrows, City Councilors, City staff, and several members of the community were there to cut the ribbon.
- Catoosa Soccer Association held their home games there Saturday. I noticed several things that need changed such as moving the large dumpsters to the

entrance, so the large trucks are not driving on the roads. We need more parking bumpers, handicap parking, sidewalk extensions and complete the sodding in certain areas.

- I have submitted some paperwork to the state to replace the bridge between here and the high school on Cherokee. We would like to extend the 3-lane area there to make it safer.

**VII: Council Comments:**

- Councilor Fred Williams asked when we can apply for another road grant for the Rolling Hills area since the previous one didn't pass? We were just 40 surveys short correct? Can we do a patch in the bad section at 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 205th?
- Councilor Thomas Sweet stated that Catoosa's Special Olympics team won several awards at an event last week at the high school. They will be holding a Bingo night and silent auction next Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Dome.

**VIII: Adjourn:**

A motion was made by **Greg Williams** and seconded by **Jonnie Mott** to adjourn. The motion passed with the following votes: **(6:34 PM)**

Thomas Sweet-aye  
Greg Williams-aye  
Fred Williams-aye

Kyle Gibson-aye  
Jonnie Mott-aye

**Approved on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023**

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**Vicky Sutton, City Clerk**

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**Greg Williams, Mayor**