

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING LAW
THE AGENDA WAS POSTED OCTOBER 23, 2020 AT 2:00 P.M.
AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 723 SOUTH LEWIS, STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA**

**MINUTES
STILLWATER CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
COUNCIL HEARING ROOM
723 S. LEWIS
OCTOBER 26, 2020**

**PRESENT: MAYOR WILLIAM H. JOYCE, VICE MAYOR PAT DARLINGTON
COUNCILORS ALANE ZANNOTTI, JOHN WEDLAKE AND AMY DZIALOWSKI**
ABSENT: NONE

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Joyce called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. GENERAL ORDERS

Staff presentation of the following:

- Review of recommendations for proposed utility rates;
- Examples of how proposed rates would impact individual customer bills;
- Information on related topics that impact rates;
- Consider next steps if rate recommendations are to be implemented.

David Niles with Avant Energy was present via Zoom to address questions.

Special Projects Director John McClenny reported that rate studies for electric, water, wastewater and solid waste were previously presented to Council/Trustees. Avant Energy presented information on electric, water, and wastewater rates in February 2020 and NewGen Strategies and Solutions presented information on solid waste rates in July 2020. No decisions were made to implement rate changes at these presentations.

Staff chose the month of August for comparisons and Mr. McClenny gave examples of how the average residential, small commercial business, large commercial and industrial customer utility bills could be affected.

Waste Management Director Chris Knight stated that the waste management rates need to be implemented by January 2021 in order to meet the construction timeline of the new staging facility, which is scheduled to begin in June 2021.

Mayor Joyce suggested the consideration of all the utility rate resolutions be on the December 7, 2020 meeting agenda. City Attorney John Dorman stated that should be doable.

Councilors/Trustees expressed the desire to have a thorough community education campaign that explains every facet of providing utility service and how the costs are reflected in rates.

3. ADJOURN

**MOTION BY VICE MAYOR DARLINGTON, SECOND BY COUNCILOR DZIALOWSKI TO
ADJOURN THE OCTOBER 26, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STILLWATER CITY COUNCIL.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: JOYCE-YEA, DARLINGTON-YEA, ZANNOTTI-YEA, WEDLAKE-YEA, DZIALOWSKI-YEA. NAY-NONE. MOTION CARRIED WITH FIVE YEA VOTES.

The October 26, 2020 regular meeting of the Stillwater City Council adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



**WILLIAM H. JOYCE, MAYOR
STILLWATER CITY COUNCIL**



**TERESA KADAVY
CITY CLERK**