City of Choctaw  
Mayor’s Road Committee Meeting  
May 14, 2019 @ 5:30pm  
Choctaw City Hall, 2500 N Choctaw Road  
Choctaw, Oklahoma 73020  

MINUTES  

1. Call to Order by Chair @ 5:30 p.m.  

2. Roll Call:  
10 Present: Roger Malone; Mike Birdsong; Caleb Foshee;  
Mike Tidwell; Dwight Updegraff; Susan Updegraff;  
Larry Huber; Christy Smith; Ron Newman;  
Terry Underwood  
1 Absent: Jim McCharen  

Staff:  
Ed Brown, City Manager  
Amanda Valent, City Clerk  
Randy Jacox, Public Works Director  
Bernie Nauheimer, Finance Director  
Ben Oglesby, City Financial Advisor  
Ray Vincent, City Attorney  
Chad Denson, Citizen Consultant  

3. Business Agenda: The following items are hereby designated for discussion and consideration which requires individual action.  

3.1 Discussion of Committee roles and responsibilities.  

Chairman Malone reported the goal of the Mayor’s Road Committee is to implement a viable program for road repairs and
to provide sound recommendations to City Council. Four areas will be explored:

1. What – Roads (arterial, collector, local)
2. How Much – Cost per road, total project cost
3. Where – Source of Funds
4. When – Start date of projects, use of phases

3.2 Presentation of Information:

Road Assessment - Chad Denson, Citizen Consultant, presented the 2018 Road Assessment outlining the road class type, the pavement scoring scale, and how each street/road in Choctaw rated ranging from excellent to fail.

General Overview of Road Repair Process – Mr. Denson explained the cost of road repairs and the detailed process municipalities must follow when repairing or constructing roads/streets. Standards are now in place for new development in Choctaw to aid in future infrastructure and preservation of the roads. City Manager Brown added the City survives on Sales Tax revenue alone forcing the City to explore alternative funding sources to improve infrastructure. Mr. Denson noted that while there are grants available such as ACOG, most of the time the City does not qualify, meet requirements, or get awarded grants based on things such as traffic counts.

City Financial Advisor Oglesby provided a conceptual plan that would produce funding of around $50 million between 2019 and 2044 with the combination of a new dedicated sales tax and the issuance of multiple GO Bonds over the course of time between 2019 and 2044. An election would be required for this funding option.
5. **Committee Remarks:** This item is listed to provide an opportunity for the Board Members and/or staff to make comments and/or request specific agenda items. **No action will be taken.**

Chairman Malone asked committee members to think about their personal areas of interest. He would like to see the Committee create sub-committees for each area of the process.

The next meeting will be held on May 28, 2019 at 5:30pm. at City Hall.

6. **Adjournment:**

Called @ 6:48 p.m.

MAYOR’S ROAD COMMITTEE

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Roger Malone, Chair

**ATTEST:**

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Amanda Valent, City Clerk