

Cabot City Council Special Work Session  
Veterans Park Event Center  
March 17, 2021  
6:00 p.m.

In response to the 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic and restrictions placed on social distancing by the Centers for Disease Control, the City of Cabot moved the monthly Work Session to the Veterans Park Event Center, 508 N. Lincoln, as advertised. This allowed for spacing between chairs, as suggested. The event was successfully streamed through Facebook Live.

Council members present were: Ed Long, Michael Jones, Brandon Hillenburg, Maggie Cope, James Reid, Matt Webber, Ron Waymack and Stephen Redd. Others present: City Attorney Ben Hooper, City Paralegal Jessica Looper and City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom.

Mayor Kincade opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m., which was called to discuss the proposed 2021 Bond Issue projects. A copy of the *Current Bond Wish List* is attached from the February 22, 2021 Town Hall Meeting. Some items on the list have been combined, per bond counsel's advice. The combined projects and costs are listed below as they were discussed.

1. Sales and Use Tax Refunding of 2013 and 2016 bonds, \$24,400,000 - Discussion. No objections.
2. Internet Infrastructure, \$22,000,000 – Discussion. No objections.
3. Road Repair / Overlays, \$16,000,000 – Discussion. Some members of the Council would like to see more bond money spent in this manner. Per this request, Mayor Kincade will ask Stephens, Inc. if it is possible to add 4 million. It was determined the amount would be spent in an approximate 50/50 manner between overlays and road repair.
4. Police Department Improvements, \$3,000,000 – Discussion. No objections.
5. Fire Department Improvements, \$2,400,000 – Discussion. No objections.
6. Early Warning Tornado Sirens, \$250,000 – Discussion. No objections.
7. Animal Shelter Improvement, \$3,900,000 – Discussion. Several members of the Council requested to change the name of this project to better reflect its purpose since there have been so many changes made to the original plan, at the citizens request.
8. Parks and Recreation Improvements, \$20,100,000 – Discussion. One council member asked if it would be possible to split these projects up so that voters could vote on them individually. Discussion. Mayor Kincade announced the bond counsel advised to group them as they are, but he would ask again.
9. Purchase of vacant existing properties – Mayor Kincade will speak to the bond counsel about how to handle this question on the ballot.

**Municipal Services Committee Business:** None

**Budget & Personnel Committee Business:** None

**Police & Fire Committee Business:** None

**Community Development Committee Business:** None

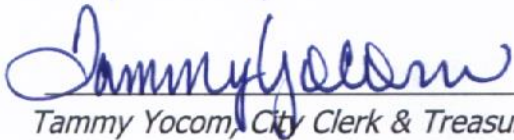
**Military Affairs Committee Business:** None

The meeting ended at 7:44 p.m.

*We, the undersigned Mayor, Council Members and City Clerk/Treasurer, for the City of Cabot, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct record of the proceedings of the City of Cabot Work Session held on Monday, March 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.*



Ken Kincade, Mayor



Tammy Yocom, City Clerk & Treasurer





**City of Cabot**  
**Current Bond Wish List**  
**Updated as of 02/19/21**  
**Town Hall**  
**February 22, 2021**

- I. Internet Infrastructure – Estimated Amount \$20,000,000
- II. Road Repair/Overlays and Drainage work – Estimated amount is \$16,000,000
- III. Police Equipment – Estimated amount is \$1,300,000.
- IV. Fire Truck - \$900,000.
- V. Fire and Police Training Center - \$1,200,000.
- VI. Tornado Siren Upgrades - \$250,000.
- VII. New Animal Shelter - \$7,000,000.
- VIII. Community Pavilion with bathrooms - \$300,000.
- IX. Parks and Recreation Projects - \$20,000,000
  - a. Multi-use facility (basketball and volleyball) & Land - \$16,000,000
  - b. Baseball turf on 6 additional fields - \$1,000,000
  - c. Wave Pool at Aquatic Park - \$2,000,000
  - d. All-inclusive playground - \$1,000,000
- X. Other ideas from the public and council- \$?