

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA
SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

Pursuant to notice as required by law, the Ponca City Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Room at City Hall, 516 E. Grand, with Mayor Richard Stone presiding:

Present: Richard Stone, Mayor
Paul Krueger, Commissioner
David Cummings, Commissioner
Stan Paynter, Commissioner
Diane Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Martin, City Manager
Marc LaBossiere, Finance Director/City Clerk
Kevin Murphy, City Attorney

Others Present: Tana McKinley, Phil Johnston, Jim Sindelar, Chris Henderson, Terry Brown, Mike Lane, Butch Herring, Jim Fairbanks, Bob Miller, City staff; Larry Ellis, Lynn Skyler, citizens; Rod Bolin, Rog Allen, news press.

1. Mayor Richard Stone called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Larry Ellis, Covenant Community Church, gave the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

****CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS****

4. Proclamation: Entrepreneurship Awareness Month
5. Proclamation: Public Power Week
6. Character Trait for September –Responsibility presented by Steve Ketchum

****CONSENT AGENDA****

The Board of Commissioners found items #7, #8, #9, #10, #11, and #13 non-controversial and routine in nature. Commissioner Cummings made the motion to approve the consent agenda less item #12. Paynter seconded.

Commissioner Paynter asked for a correction on the PCUA minutes on Page #2, second paragraph, the word “contact” should be corrected to say “contract”

Roll: Yeas; Anderson, Paynter, Cummings, Krueger, and Stone. Nays: None. Motion carried.

7. Consider and vote upon minutes of the Ponca City Board of Commissioners special session held August 29, 2005, work session held September 6, 2005 and special session held September 12, 2005.
8. Consider and vote on a request by City of Ponca City to utilize fireworks in the Tree Lighting Ceremony on Centennial Plaza on November 23, 2005 and authorize Fire Chief to sign the required documents.

9. Consider and vote to approve a contract in the amount of \$105,520.00 for the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program between the Oklahoma Department of Commerce and the City of Ponca City for the Replacement of Sanitary Sewer Subbasin E2 Interceptor Sewer located at 9th Street and South Avenue.
10. Consider and vote to acknowledge the receipt of the permit to construct the sewer line for "Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation and Re-alignment for U. S. Highway No. 77."
11. Consider and vote on the approval of the bid committee's recommendation for the demolition of a public nuisance located at 508 North Elm and award a contract to Ron Clark Construction in the amount of \$4,400.00.

13. **RESOLUTION NO. 5503**

A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF PONCA CITY, OK.

****ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA****

14. Commissioner Cummings asked that Item # 12 be removed for further explanation regarding the proposed budget amendments.

Finance Director Marc LaBossiere, explained to the Commission that legal deadline for prior year purchase orders is September 30, meaning that in any given year there are a number of projects that the City is involved in that are encumbered in the last quarter of the year, but not yet completed. LaBossiere further reported that funds for orders or projects have to be encumbered when the contracts are signed, but that it is not always possible to have completion or delivery before June 30; therefore, it is necessary to re-appropriate these funds. LaBossiere identified and described for the Commission items that were included on the budget amendments.

Commissioner Cummings made the motion to approve the Resolution amending the operating budgets of various funds for the fiscal year 2005-06. Paynter seconded.

Roll: Yeas; Cummings, Stone, Paynter, Krueger, and Anderson. Nays; None. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 5502

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA AMENDING THE OPERATING BUDGETS OF VARIOUS FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2005-06.

****COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS****

15. Commissioner Anderson stated that she would like to thank the Character First Council for their invitation and the opportunity to meet with a diverse group of people, and also thanked the citizens of Ponca City who opened their homes to those who came to Ponca City to flee Hurricane Rita.

Commissioner Krueger expressed his appreciation to the Standing Bear Committee and the fine event they held this weekend.

Commissioner Paynter thanked the Albright United Methodist Church for the event they hosted for the Westside neighbors.

Commissioner Cummings stated that he enjoyed his first Standing Bear Pow Wow and thanked the Standing Bear committee for the opportunity to help in serving the food.

Mayor Stone also stated that he enjoyed the Standing Bear Pow Wow. Stone also mentioned the article in the newspaper regarding Conoco/Phillips moving 500 jobs to Bartlesville, and that Conoco/Phillips is aware of the assets they have in Ponca City and Bartlesville. Stone further added that he felt that Ponca City would be included, but that it will take time.

****REPORTS****

16. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Gary Martin informed the Commission that there is a soil erosion problem at the Wastewater Plant along the Arkansas River. Martin went on to say that thanks to a letter from the Kay County Commissioners to the Soil Conservation District requesting some erosion control, an emergency agreement was signed with the Soil Conservation District to come and do some stabilization. Martin stated that the cost of the project was to be \$165,000.00, of which the Soil Conservation District will be responsible for \$119,000.00, and the City will match in-kind utilizing City owned equipment.

Martin announced that there is to be an airport regional planning meeting at Pioneer Vo-Tech on October 12, 2005 and would like to have the Mayor and perhaps one (1) Commissioner in attendance to show support.

Martin also briefed the Commission on upcoming events starting with a Cimarron Broadband tour of assets, a Vision 2020 meeting on Thursday, September 29, 2005, and Octoberfest scheduled for October 1st and 2nd.

Martin also communicated that items on the work session agenda next week will be the architect working on the study for the police station, with recommendations on remodeling or replacing the existing building, discussion on a grant application for a broadcast studio, and a road project for improvement to Pecan between Prospect and Hubbard.

Mayor Stone reported that he had been invited to attend the Kay County Commissioners meeting on Monday morning and would be bringing a report of that meeting to the Commission at the work session also.

****PUBLIC HEARINGS****

None.

****UNFINISHED BUSINESS****

None.

****NEW BUSINESS****

17. Consider and vote on a lease agreement between City and YMCA on ground and facility for swimming pool.

Commissioner Cummings moved to table the lease agreement between the City and the YMCA on the ground and facility for a swimming pool. Cummings stated that he felt it was premature for the Commission to vote on the agreement until some of the details were worked out. Krueger seconded. This item is to be added to the Monday work session also.

Roll: Yeas; Stone, Krueger, Anderson, Paynter, and Cummings. Nays; None. Motion carried.

****CITIZENS COMMENTS****

18. Lynn Skyler, assistant pastor Central Baptist Church, extended an invitation to the Commission to attend their annual Red, White and Blue Sunday on October 23, 2005, to honor law enforcement officers, fire personnel, and civil servants for their dedication and commitment to the community.
19. Mayor Stone adjourned the Ponca City Board of Commissioners meeting at 6:12 p.m.

PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 10TH OF OCTOBER 2005.

MAYOR

ATTEST

CITY CLERK