

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA
JANUARY 25, 2010

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 Chamber at City Hall, 516 E. Grand, with Mayor Homer Nicholson presiding:

Present: Homer Nicholson, Mayor
Diane Anderson, Commissioner
Bill Flegler, Commissioner
Paul Krueger, Commissioner
Lanita Chapman, Commissioner
Kevin Murphy, City Attorney
Craig Stephenson, City Manager
Marc LaBossiere, Finance Director/City Clerk

Others Present: David Keathly, Butch Herring, Mike Chapman, Terry Brown, Tana McKinley, Chris Henderson, Earl Watkins, City staff; David Myers, Ponca City Development Authority; Beverly Bryant, Ponca City News.

1. Mayor Homer Nicholson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Invocation – Tana McKinley
3. Pledge of Allegiance

****CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS****

None.

****CONSENT AGENDA****

The Board of Commissioners found items #4 and #5 non-controversial and routine in nature. Commissioner Flegler made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Chapman seconded.

Roll: Yeas; Flegler, Chapman, Nicholson, Anderson, and Krueger. Nays: None. Motion carried.

4. Consider and vote upon minutes of the Ponca City Board of Commissioners regular session held January 11, 2010.
5. **RESOLUTION NO. 5819**

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

6. ****ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA****

None.

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

7. Mayor Nicholson complimented Beverly Bryant, Ponca City News, for the wonderful article she wrote that appeared on the front page of Sunday's paper. Nicholson also thanked City Manager Craig Stephenson and Finance Director Marc LaBossiere for their input into the article. Nicholson added that it is great to have such good management.

Commissioner Anderson also echoed Mayor Nicholson's comments regarding the newspaper article, saying that she had some comments from citizens that were very appreciative to know that we are in better shape than a lot of communities.

****REPORTS****

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Craig Stephenson informed the Commission that the Oklahoma Department of Transportation would be conducting a Public Hearing from 12:30 to 3:30 on January 26, 2009 in the Barnes Room. Stephenson added that there would be two issues discussed, one being Job Access and Reverse Commute, and the second topic would be on the New Freedom Program.

Stephenson further stated that this week would be the start of the second week of employee meetings. Stephenson informed the Commission that he wanted to start the year off with two important topics. Stephenson went on to say that the two topics covered were over the Discrimination and Harassment, and a presentation by Judi Newland regarding the City's Health Insurance Plan, and tips on how to be a good consumer, and how to protect and preserve our health insurance plan.

Stephenson went on to say that, we have a new AmeriCorps worker who will be assisting in the Public Works Division (stormwater), and will be helping with the committee on the Arbor Day Celebration.

Stephenson asked the Commission to mark Wednesday, April 14, 2010 on their calendar, as the Leadership Class will be having their local government day.

Stephenson concluded by telling the Commission that the February 1, 2010 Work Session would be the beginning for the new budget, and also the 116th annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet would be held Thursday, January 28, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

****PUBLIC HEARINGS****

None.

****UNFINISHED BUSINESS****

None.

****NEW BUSINESS****

9.

RESOLUTION NO. 5820

A RESOLUTION WAIVING CITY CODE SEC.7-14 (NUMBER OF GARAGE SALES IN A GIVEN YEAR) FOR APRIL 10, 2010 AND WAIVING \$5 PERMIT FEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY'S ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP WHICH WILL BE HELD APRIL 10-17, 2010.

Commissioner Flegler made the motion to approve the Resolution waiving City Code Sec. 17-14 (Number of Garage Sales in a given year) for April 10, 2010 and waiving \$5 permit fee in conjunction with the City's Annual Spring Cleanup which will be held April 10-17, 2010. Anderson seconded.

Roll: Yeas; Flegler, Anderson, Nicholson, Krueger, and Chapman. Nays; None. Motion carried.

10. Consider and vote on the submission of a grant application to Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department to extend and finish the walking trail around the Marland Mansion Grounds.

Commissioner Anderson made the motion to approve the submission of a grant application to Oklahoma Tourism & Recreation Department to extend and finish the walking trail around the Marland Mansion Grounds. Flegler seconded.

Roll: Yeas; Anderson, Flegler, Nicholson, Chapman, and Krueger. Nays; None. Motion carried.

11. Consider and vote on Construction Payment No. 11 to Lambert Construction Company in the amount of \$1,290,060.00 for construction of the Ponca City Aquatic & Family Center YMCA.

Commissioner Anderson made the motion to approve Construction Payment No. 11 to Lambert Construction Company in the amount of \$1,290,060.00 for construction of the Ponca City Aquatic & Family Center YMCA. Chapman seconded.

Roll: Yeas; Anderson, Chapman, Nicholson, Krueger, and Flegler. Nays; None. Motion carried.

****CITIZENS COMMENTS****

12. None.

RECESS TO PONCA CITY UTILITY AUTHORITY MEETING

Mayor Nicholson recessed the Board of Commissioners meeting at 5:52 p.m.

At 5:55 p.m., the Commission returned from recess.

The Board of Commissioners received a review from David Myers of the Ponca City Development Authority.

Myers addressed the Commission on some of the Economic Development activities, projects, and works in progress. Myers also emphasized that the Economic Development is aggressively marketing the census, and that April 1, 2010 is census day, and it is critically important to our economy.

14. Commissioner Flegler made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:08 p.m. pursuant to Title 25 Section 307 Oklahoma Statutes for purposes of: conferring on matters pertaining to Economic Development upon finding that the matter to be discussed would interfere with the development of products or services or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business. Anderson seconded.

Roll: Flegler, Anderson, Nicholson, Chapman, and Krueger. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Anderson departed the meeting at this time.

- 15 The Board of Commissioners returned to regular session with no action being taken at 6:30 p.m.

. Commissioner Flegler made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Chapman seconded.

Roll: Yeas; Flegler, Chapman, Nicholson, and Krueger. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Mayor Nicholson adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 8TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2010.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK