

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA  
March 2, 2015

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Pursuant to notice as required by law, the Ponca City Board of Commissioners met in work session at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber at City Hall, 516 E. Grand Avenue, with Mayor Homer Nicholson presiding:

Present: Homer Nicholson, Mayor  
Lanita Chapman, Commissioner  
Nancy Rathbun, Commissioner  
Mary Beth Moore, Commissioner  
Ryan Austin, Commissioner  
Craig Stephenson, City Manager  
Michael Vanderburg, City Attorney  
Marc LaBossiere, Finance Director/City Clerk

Absent: None

Others Present: Tana McKinley, Johnny Barron, Terry Brown, Anthony Rogers, Paula Cain, Chris Henderson, Rhonda Skrapke, Jim Fairbanks, City staff, Steve Dye, Ponca City News, Beverly Bryant, TEAM Radio.

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Nicholson called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. RECEIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE PLANNED UPDATE OF THE CITY'S HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

City Manager Craig Stephenson introduced the item as one that occurs every five years, and that the purpose today is to inform the City Commission about the plan itself and the update process. Assistant City Engineer Johnny Barron then went through a PowerPoint presentation about the City's Hazard Mitigation Plan. Barron began by defining what the plan is, more specifically as a tool to plan ahead for potential natural disasters such as tornadoes and hail and how to best prevent or mitigate the damage that comes from them.

Barron then reviewed why the City has to have a Hazard Mitigation Plan, and explained that without complying with the federal requirement many grant funds would not be available. Barron reviewed a history of grant projects that the City has received funding for that would not have been available without an approved plan. Barron continued, reviewing the list of hazards considered in the plan as well as criteria for how vulnerable we are to each type. He then explained that goals and strategies to mitigate damage from each type of hazard are included in the plan.

Barron outlined a schedule to get the plan completed and adopted and then reviewed committee makeup, including staff from the City, the Ponca City School District, the Ponca City Medical Center, the Kay County Health Department, OMPA, Phillips 66, PCDA, and citizens. Discussion ensued.

3. COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS.

Commissioner Ryan Austin noted he was excited to be at the meeting and involved.

Commissioner Rathbun echoed similar comments, and that everyone had been very helpful in getting her information. Commissioner Moore expressed gratitude to City staff in clearing the recent snow and icy road conditions. Commissioner Chapman welcomed new commissioners Austin and Rathbun. Mayor Nicholson expanded on complimenting the various City departments who work hard to keep the community safe during adverse weather.

4. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS.

City Manager Craig Stephenson advised all that the ongoing survey about fiber to premises has had 1,300 respondents thus far. Stephenson then reminded commissioners that at the next regular meeting an agenda item will be included to select a vice-mayor. Stephenson updated all on the budget process, and that staff is finishing first pass meetings with all departments on budget requests this week. Stephenson concluded by relaying recent notice from Cable One that they will be discontinuing the pay-per-view service on May 1, 2015 and adding a new Netflix/HULU option.

5. ENTERTAIN MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TITLE 25 SECTION 307 OKLAHOMA STATUTES FOR PURPOSES OF DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOWING:

A. NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE (FOP)

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to enter executive session at 2:33 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore.

Roll: Yeas; Chapman, Moore, Nicholson, Rathbun, Austin. Nays; None. Motion carried.

The City Commission returned to regular session at 2:49 p.m.

6. ADJOURN.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chapman to adjourn the meeting, and seconded by Commissioner Moore.

Roll: Yeas; Chapman, Moore, Nicholson, Rathbun, Austin. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Mayor Nicholson adjourned the meeting at 2:49 p.m.

*PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2015.*



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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK