

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA  
AUGUST 24, 2015

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

Absent: None

Others Present: Chris Henderson, Jim Fairbanks, Janet Smith, Terry Brown, Tana McKinley, City Staff; citizens; Beverly Bryant, TEAM Radio, Steve Dye, Ponca City News.

1. CALL TO ORDER  
Mayor Homer Nicholson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. INVOCATION – Jeff Pershing, Glad Tidings Assembly of God
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**\*\*CONSENT AGENDA\*\***

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

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

4. Consider And Vote Upon Minutes Of The Ponca City Board Of Commissioners Regular Session Held August 10, 2015.
5. Consider And Vote Upon Resolution Appropriating Money For Payment Of Claims.

**RESOLUTION NO. 6187**

***A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS.***

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

6. None

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

7. Commissioner Lanita Chapman expressed gratitude for the beautiful day and hoped that all enjoyed it. Mayor Homer Nicholson introduced Jessica Ward who was in the audience and is a member of the 30<sup>th</sup> Leadership Class.

**\*\*REPORTS\*\***

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Craig Stephenson announced that Friday, August 28, 2015, from noon till 1:00 p.m., Ponca Politics will be held in the Commission Chamber with United States Representative Frank Lucas. Then, on September 1, 2015, from noon till 1:00 p.m., Ponca Politics will be hosting United States Senator James Lankford in the Commission Chamber. This is a great opportunity for the public to come and hear what is going on at the Nation's Capital.

Stephenson informed all that starting August 25, 2015, Ford Audio will begin the process of replacing the media equipment in the Commission Chamber. They should be completed well in time for the next Regular Commission Meeting on September 14, 2015.

Stephenson notified the public that the 2M2L (2 Much 2 Lose) event will be held at Wentz Camp and Pool this Saturday, August 29, 2015, for the Ponca City High School students. The event is from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and the City provides the stage and lifeguards. 2 Much 2 Lose is a state wide project that aims to decrease underage drinking, related social issues, and increases youth-driven preventive activities. Stephenson noted Wentz Pool will be open August 29-30, 2015, and September 5-6, 2015, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and close for the season after September 6, 2015. On August 29, 2015 they will close early to accommodate the 2M2L event.

Stephenson reported that the Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority Annual Meeting will be held on September 10, 2015, beginning at 1:00 p.m., at the OMPA offices in Edmond, Oklahoma. Mayor Nicholson is the Elector for the City of Ponca City and serves on the Board of Directors of OMPA.

Stephenson was pleased to announce that on August 20, 2015, the Oklahoma Municipal League, along with the Mayor's Council of Oklahoma held their first "Diners, Districts and Dialogue" meeting at the Carolyn Renfro Event Center in Ponca City. There was a good turnout of municipal representatives from this area of the state. The message was "Funding the Gap - A Look at Municipal Revenue - Strong Cities, Strong State." Municipalities receive sales tax revenues to operate their local general government, while the Counties receive ad valorem revenue along with state appropriations. Most counties also have passed a sales tax to diversify their revenue streams. Cities and towns are economic drivers for the state, 76% of Oklahomans live in municipalities, 91% of state sales tax is generated from sales within municipalities, 80% of Oklahoma citizens and business receive water from municipal sources, virtually all commerce, government, education, and healthcare occurs inside a city. The mayors of Oklahoma City and Tulsa have gotten behind this initiative to diversify municipal revenue. This will take some time, possibly years, and require a tremendous amount of leg work throughout the state. Municipalities in the state of Oklahoma need to be able to diversify their revenue streams to provide police and fire services, roads, code enforcement, recreational opportunities, and much more for the residents in their communities.

Stephenson concluded with: September 7, 2015 City offices will be closed in observance of Labor Day, and August 31, 2015 is the fifth Monday of the month, and there is not a Commission meeting scheduled.

9. OKLAHOMA MUNICIPAL POWER AUTHORITY UPDATE

Ryan Piersol, Member Services Representative with OMPA, began by distributing handouts from the dedication of Charles D. Lamb Energy Center. Piersol then gave a report on current projects and programs that OMPA is undertaking, and then concluded by stating membership is now up to 41 member cities.

**\*\*NEW BUSINESS\*\***

10. Consider And Vote Upon Change Order No. 1 In The Add Amount Of \$224.32, And The Final Payment In The Amount Of \$9,947.80, To River Ridge Construction, LLC, To Accept All Work As Complete For "Street Improvement Project, Reconstruct Meadow Lane – Fairway Place To Queens Avenue", Project No. GEN 15-2.

Commissioner Chapman made the motion to approve the item as stated. Commissioner Rathbun seconded.

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

11. Consider And Vote On The Final Change Order In The Add Amount Of \$14,779.51, Acknowledge Final Acceptance, And Authorize Final Payment In The Amount Of \$16,486.74 To Wildcat Construction Company On Project No. Gen 10-4, Bridge Replacement On L.A. Cann Drive Over Turkey Creek.

Commissioner Austin made the motion to approve item #11 as read. Commissioner Chapman seconded.

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

**\*\*CITIZENS COMMENTS\*\***

12. Tony Epp, 1029 Brentwood Drive, gave comments on a recent work session where the City Commission discussed water supply for Ponca City and then complimented the Mayor for stated comments that cities must prepare for the future. Epp gave examples of current cities with water supply problems and concluded with examples of what a local resident can do to conserve water.

**RECESS TO PONCA CITY UTILITY AUTHORITY MEETING**

Commissioner Chapman made the motion to recess to the Ponca City Utility Authority meeting. Commissioner Moore seconded.

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

Mayor Nicholson recessed to the Ponca City Utility Authority meeting at 5:58 p.m.

At 6:00 p.m. the Commission returned to regular session.

13. Entertain Motion To Enter Executive Session Pursuant To Title 25 Section 307 Oklahoma Statutes For Purposes Of Discussing Negotiations With The Fraternal Order of Police (FOP).

At 6:01 p.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Rathbun to enter into executive session. Commissioner Moore seconded.

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

14. Return To Regular Session And Take Any Necessary Action, If Appropriate, On Items Discussed In Executive Session.

The Board Of Commission returned to regular session with no action being taken.

15. ADJOURN

The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Chapman and seconded by Commissioner Moore.

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

Mayor Nicholson adjourned the Board of Commissioners meeting at 6:26 p.m.

***PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2015.***



ATTEST:

  
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MAYOR

  
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CITY CLERK

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
PONCA CITY UTILITY AUTHORITY  
August 24, 2015

Pursuant to notice as required by law, the Board of Trustees of the Ponca City Utility Authority met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Chamber at City Hall, 516 E. Grand, with Chairman Homer Nicholson presiding.

Present: Homer Nicholson, Chairman  
Ryan Austin, Trustee  
Lanita Chapman, Trustee  
Mary Beth Moore, Trustee  
Nancy Rathbun, Trustee  
Craig Stephenson, City Manager  
Michael Vanderburg, Trust Attorney  
Marc LaBossiere, Secretary

Absent: None

Others Present: Chris Henderson, Jim Fairbanks, Janet Smith, Terry Brown, Tana McKinley, City Staff; citizens; Beverly Bryant, TEAM Radio, Steve Dye, Ponca City News.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Homer Nicholson called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

**\*\*CONSENT AGENDA\*\***

The Board of Trustees found items #2 through #4 noncontroversial and routine in nature by the governing body and are approved by one motion.

Trustee Rathbun made the motion to approve the consent agenda as read. Trustee Moore seconded.

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

2. Consider And Vote Upon The Minutes Of The Regular Session Held August 10, 2015.
3. Consider And Vote Upon A Resolution Appropriating Money For Payment Of Claims.

**RESOLUTION NO. 939**

***A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AGAINST THE PONCA CITY UTILITY AUTHORITY OF PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA***

4. Consider And Vote Upon A Resolution Amending The Operating Budget Of Various Funds Of The Ponca City Utility Authority, As Detailed On Amendment #2, For Fiscal Year 2015-16.

**RESOLUTION NO. 940**

***A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE OPERATING BUDGET OF VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE PONCA CITY UTILITY AUTHORITY, AS DETAILED ON AMENDMENT #2, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16.***

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

5. None.

**\*\*NEW BUSINESS\*\***

None

6. ADJOURN

Trustee Rathbun made the motion to adjourn the meeting of the Ponca City Utility Authority.  
Trustee Austin seconded.

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

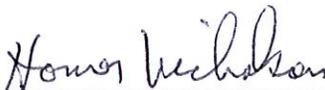
Chairman Nicholson adjourned the PCUA Board of Trustees at 6:00 p.m.

***PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY of SEPTEMBER 2015.***



ATTEST:

  
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TRUST SECRETARY

  
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CHAIRMAN