

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA
NOVEMBER 27, 2006

Pursuant to notice as required by law, the Ponca City Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 5:31 p.m. in the Commission Room at City Hall, 516 E. Grand, with Mayor Richard Stone presiding:

Present: Richard Stone, Mayor
Paul Krueger, Commissioner
Wayne Foxworthy, Commissioner
Diane Anderson, Commissioner
Tana McKinley, Acting City Manager
Kevin Murphy, City Attorney
Marc LaBossiere, Finance Director/City Clerk

Absent: Stan Paynter, Commissioner
Gary Martin, City Manager

Others Present: Craige Baird, Holly LaBossiere, Marcia Hull, Craig Stephenson, Chris Henderson, Clayton Johnson, Terry Brown, City Staff; Don Keathly, Lillian Taylor, Harold Taylor, Carolyn Smith, Brandy Valentine, citizens; Rolf Clements, Ponca City News.

1. Mayor Richard Stone called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.
2. Invocation – Micah Wells, 1st Assembly of God Church, gave the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

****CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS****

4. Character Trait for November: Hospitality – Presented by Brandy Valentine, Lotus Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine.

****CITIZENS COMMENTS****

5. Carolyn Smith, 44 Hillcrest, voiced concerns regarding the upcoming December 12th election saying that she felt there was a lack of fiscal responsibility on the part of the City, and was concerned about the City spending the Citizens money on this campaign.

Finance Director Marc LaBossiere asked to clarify the issue of the spending of City funds, stating that he had verified that not one cent of City funds has been used in this campaign.

Don Keathly, 147 Whitworth Avenue, addressed several issues regarding the election. Keathly stated that he felt there had been some documented statements that were in error, and asked that the Commission clarify the facts for the voters.

Lillian Taylor, 1209 W. Highland, posed several questions of what will occur if the vote fails or passes.

The Board of Commissioners found items #5, #6, #7, and #8 non-controversial and routine in nature. Commissioner Krueger made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Anderson seconded.

6. Consider and vote upon minutes of the Ponca City Board of Commissioners work session held November 6, 2006 and regular session held November 13, 2006.
7. Consider and vote on contracts between the Oklahoma Department of Libraries and the Ponca City Library for funding for equipment to provide wireless access to the internet.
8. **RESOLUTION NO. 5575**

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

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

9. None.

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

10. Commissioner Krueger stated that he had some thoughts he would like to share with the citizens regarding the election. Krueger advised that the Commissioners are also citizens looking to the future of Ponca City, and continuing to build the community to help it become the very best it can be. Krueger stated that it is his belief that the children and seniors of this community will benefit from the larger pool and exercise facilities that is proposed, and if this vote is defeated, they go away. Krueger further added that it has taken ten years for this Commission to bring a decision forward as to what to do about Hutchins, and if this proposal is defeated, could it take another ten years to bring another proposal before the citizens. Krueger asked that the citizens just to become informed electors.

Commissioner Anderson echoed Commissioner Krueger's sentiments, and added that she believes that people have a right to be heard respectfully, and as Commissioners should be given that same respect. Anderson further advised that decisions made by the Commission are decisions that are based on input from the Citizens. Anderson iterated that not everyone can be satisfied, but compromises have to be made in order to do what is best for the community. Anderson also reminded everyone that this is not a decision that has been rushed into overnight, but that all of these issues have been being discussed for several years. Anderson concluded by saying that regardless of how you want to vote, keep in mind that it affects all of Ponca City.

Commissioner Foxworthy pointed out that one of the important things to remember is that the public needs to be informed. Foxworthy further added that he wants the citizens to look at the facts and then make a decision. Foxworthy advised the public of where information could be obtained to be better informed regarding the issues to be voted upon.

Mayor Stone stated that as the elected officials for the City, we have pondered long and hard about the issues that are being brought before the citizens. Stone emphasized that the City Commissioners have nothing to gain by making this proposal to the citizens of Ponca City. Stone encouraged the citizens to make their decision, and following that the Commission will then know what the citizens want the Commission to do.

****REPORTS****

11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

****PUBLIC HEARINGS****

None.

****UNFINISHED BUSINESS****

None.

****NEW BUSINESS****

None.

12. Mayor Stone adjourned the Board of Commissioner meeting at 6:10 p.m.

PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 11TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2006.

ATTEST

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PONCA CITY UTILITY AUTHORITY
NOVEMBER 27, 2006

Pursuant to notice as required by law, the Board of Trustees of the Ponca City Utility Authority met in regular session at 6:10 p.m. in the Commissioners' Room in City Hall at 516 East Grand Avenue with Chairman Richard Stone presiding.

Present: Richard Stone, Chairman
Paul Krueger, Trustee
Wayne Foxworthy, Trustee
Diane Anderson, Trustee
Tana McKinley, Acting Trust Secretary
Kevin Murphy, City Attorney
Marc LaBossiere, Finance Director/City Clerk

Absent: Gary Martin, Trust Secretary
Stan Paynter, Trustee

Others Present: Craig Baird, Craig Stephenson, Chris Henderson, Clayton Johnson, Terry Brown, City Staff; Rolf Clements, Ponca City News.

Chairman Richard Stone called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

****CONSENT AGENDA****

The Board of Trustees found items #2, #3, and #4 non-controversial and routine in nature by the governing body and are approved by one motion.

Trustee Krueger made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Foxworthy seconded.

Roll: Yeas, Foxworthy, Stone, Anderson, and Krueger. Nays, None. Paynter absent. Motion carried.

Consider and vote upon the minutes of the regular session held November 13, 2006.

Consider and vote upon authorizing Chairman to submit Monthly Operating Statement to OWRB.

RESOLUTION NO. 638

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

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

None.

****NEW BUSINESS****

None.

Chairman Stone adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 11TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2006.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY