The City Council of The Village, Oklahoma, met in regular session at City Hall on Monday, August 6, 2018, at 7:30 p.m., at 2304 Manchester Drive.

**COUNCIL PRESENT**

Sonny Wilkinson, Mayor  
Bubba Symes, Vice-Mayor  
Cathy Cummings, Council Member  
Stan Alexander, Council Member  
Dave Bennett, Council Member

**STAFF PRESENT**

Bruce K. Stone, City Manager  
Beverly K. Whitener, City Treasurer  
Jeff Sabin, Assistant City Attorney

**ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER.**

Mayor Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ITEM II: INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Council Member Bennett gave the invocation and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM III: APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

Mayor Wilkinson asked if there were any corrections, additions or deletions to the Minutes of the meeting held on July 16, 2018. There were no corrections, deletions or additions and the Council approved the Minutes of the meeting held on July 16, 2018, as written.

**ITEM IV: CITIZENS DESIRING TO BE HEARD; PRESENTATIONS.**

Mayor Wilkinson stated that this is the time set aside for citizens to address the Council on any matter not on the posted agenda.

Jeanine Barnett, The Village Library Manager, appeared before the Council and gave a brief report on activities and events at The Village Library.

Beverly Boyd told the Council that there were about 48 people in attendance at the last movie night. Ms. Boyd stated that some residents would like to see some movies that are not animated. The city manager also suggested that movies be shown in other parks from time to time.

A resident asked about the nuisance abatement procedures and what could be done to speed the process up. The city manager explained the laws that the City must follow to abate high grass and weeds. Mr. Stone advised that the State legislature could do many things to
make it easier for cities to act but noted that there are a lot of people and legislators who are wary of heavy-handed government and against giving cities more power.

A resident from Casady Manor stated that limbs from a recent storm were thrown into the drainage channel behind her home on Lyndon. The city manager advised that this happens quite frequently and that Public Works would remove the limbs as soon as possible.

Wendy Mounger told the Council that her neighbor’s pecan tree is pushing against her new fence and was concerned about damage to the fence. The city manager advised that Ms. Mounger could legally trim the tree to the extent that it encroaches on her property but that she could be responsible for damages if the tree dies.

**ITEM V. PUBLIC HEARING PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE MULFORD ESTATES PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT; REVISING SECTION 8.5 PERTAINING TO SITE GRADING; ADDING A NEW SECTION 9.5 PROVIDING FOR A RETAINING WALL AND FENCING ON THE NORTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE MULFORD ESTATES ADDITION.**

Mayor Wilkinson stated that this is a public hearing for the purpose of providing an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed revisions to the Mulford Estates Planned Unit Development.

The city manager advised that the Planning & Zoning Commission held a public hearing and voted to recommend that the City Council approve the proposed revisions to the Mulford Estates Planned Unit Development.

Mr. Joe Rockett, 10401 Lakeside Drive addressed the Council about the proposed revisions to the PUD. Mr. Rockett advised he is satisfied with the proposed revisions based on the representations that Mr. Mulford has made about the new fence and removal of the old fence. Mr. Rockett provided the Council with a copy of electronic correspondence with Mr. Mulford and asked that the email be attached to the minutes of the meeting. The email from Mr. Mulford stated the following:

“...fence to be placed on the wall with the front facing north and be of quality material with cap and trim like Joe (Mr. Rockett) has on his driveway, at the same time the fence company will remove the chicken wire fence on the south (south property line of Joe Rockett) by cutting the post off at the concrete and clipping the wire at the trees. The 4-inch dog-eared fence on the south of Joe’s house will be removed and replaced, -- including the section from his house to my (Mulford) fence so it will match the new fence cap and trim and at his (Rockett) northwest corner. Chicken wire will be used to close the gap so his (Rockett’s) dog can’t get out. Home owners on the 4 lots that are south of the new fence will not be
required to clean the area north of the wall any time in the future. Work to be completed within 30 days of the PUD being amended and, of course, this is at the expense of Mulford Homes, LLC.”

There were no additional comments from the public and the Mayor closed the public hearing.

**ITEM VI. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 08-06-2018 (A) PERTAINING TO REVISIONS TO THE MULFORD ESTATES PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT.**

After a brief discussion, Council Member Cummings moved to approve Resolution 08-06-2018 (A) approving revisions to Section 8.5 and adding a new Section 9.5 to the Mulford Estates Planned Unit Development. Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.

**ITEM VII. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 08-06-2018 (B) PERTAINING TO A MINOR PLAT AMENDMENT FOR BLOCK 4, LOT 10, LAKESIDE ESTATES ADDITION TO THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE.**

City Manager Bruce Stone explained a setback issue relating to the construction of a new home at 10405 Lakeside Drive. Mr. Stone told the Council that the footing poured for the new house was 2’ too close to the side lot line. Mr. Stone advised that the builder was able to remedy this by purchasing 2’ from the neighbor to the north. Mr. Stone advised the Council that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommends that the Council approve the proposed lot line adjustment.

After a brief discussion, Council Member Cummings moved to approve Resolution 08-06-2018 (B) approving a minor plat amendment to Block 4, Lot 10 Lakeside Estates Addition. Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.

**ITEM VIII. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 08-06-2018 (C) MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, THE TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMISSION AND THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.**

The Council talked about filling the remaining vacancies on the Board of Adjustment, Traffic & Safety Commission and The Village Development Authority.

ITEM IX. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 738 ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE; PERTAINING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES & LICENSES; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that changes in the State alcoholic beverage licensing laws necessitates extensive changes to the City Code.

Assistant City Attorney briefly reviewed the changes needed and answered questions from the Council.

After a brief discussion, Council Member Bennett moved to approve Ordinance 738 adopting a new Chapter 4 pf the Code of Ordinances pertaining to alcoholic beverages and licensing. Council Member Cummings seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.

Council Member Alexander moved the approval of the Emergency Clause. Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.

ITEM X. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH FOP LODGE #222 FOR FY 2018-19.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that the only change to the agreement pertains to the new pay scale approved for fiscal year FY 2018-19.


ITEM XI. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS, LOCAL 3958 FOR FY 2018-19.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that the only changes to the agreement pertains to the new pay scale approved for fiscal year FY 2018-19 and the reinstatement of the position of Fire Marshal/Emergency Management Director.

ITEM XII. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 8-06-2018 (D) AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AND CHANGE ORDERS WITH CROSSLAND HEAVY CONTRACTORS FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that four of the five street resurfacing projects were awarded to Crossland Heavy Contractors as the lowest and best bidder. Mr. Stone advised the Council that the city engineer revised the material quantities for each project. Mr. Stone advised that the bid quantities were excessive. Mr. Stone advised that the revised materials list would be adopted by Change Order to the contracts.

Mr. Stone told the Council that there were problems with the low bid for the Hefner Project (Project #5) and that legal counsel recommends that this project be re-bid,

After a brief discussion, Council Member Cummings moved to approve Resolution 08-06-2018 (D) authorizing the city manager to execute contracts and change orders with Crossland Heavy Contractors for street improvements. Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.


City Manager Bruce Stone advised that the Oklahoma Department of Transportation is finally ready to move forward on the two federal aid projects for the reconstruction of Britton Road from Penn to May. Mr. Stone advised that the projects would go to bid September 1 with bid opening on September 20. Mr. Stone advised that ODOT hopes to have the contracts on the Transportation Commission agenda on October 1. Mr. Stone said that the total cost of the projects would be approximately $3,826,000 with the local share of the cost at approximately $782,000.

After a brief discussion, Council Member Cummings moved to approve the contracts with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for Britton Road Reconstruction. Council Member Bennett seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.
ITEM XIV. CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION OF ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN STANDARDS FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT.

Assistant City Attorney Jeff Sabin provided an overview of the proposed design standards for new development and answered questions from the Council.

After a discussion, the consensus of the Council was to move forward with public notice and public hearings that are required before adoption of the new standards by the Council.

The Council took no action.

ITEM XV. REPORTS:

a) Expenditure Reports: The Council reviewed the following expenditure reports:

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b) Manager’s Report:

City Manager Bruce Stone reported that the new City website is finally operational. Mr. Stone advised that there are still quite a few problems that need to be addressed.

Mr. Stone reported that the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) is almost complete and that the City’s database has been updated to facilitate the reapportionment of the five wards as required by the census count for each ward.

The city manager reported that the Shell station at Waverly and Britton (Mr. Smile) is closed.

Mr. Stone reminded the Council that The Village Block Party is August 18 in Duffner Park from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. Mr. Stone reminded the Council that the film “Jumanji” would be shown after the block party. Mr. Stone further stated that The Village Lions Car Show is Saturday, August 25.
The city manager asked the Council to consider a ban on donation boxes on commercial property. Mr. Stone advised that the boxes are unsightly and seem inconsistent with The Village Vision. After a brief discussion, the consensus of the Council was to consider an ordinance regulating the placement of these types of containers.

The city manager showed the Council a picture of a coyote spotted at Covenant Presbyterian Church recently.

c) Reports from the Council:

Council Member Bennett stated that Mark Bishop has not taken any action to remove the encroachments on the right of way and might have added some things. The city manager advised that he would follow-up with a letter and deadline to remove the encroachments.

Council Member Bennett told the Council that he had talked to Pat Lewis, OG&E Community Affairs Representative, about power outages recently. Council Member Bennett advised that Mr. Lewis was unavailable for the meeting tonight but would come to the next meeting on August 20.

Council Member Cummings stated that the YMCA has offered to make their restroom and shower facilities available to residents of The Village when there are long-term water or electric service interruptions.

Council Member Cummings said during the power outage, The Village Fire Department assisted a resident by filling his medical oxygen tanks that were getting dangerously low.

Council Member Cummings told the Council about Pine Pantries that could be placed in parks and other locations. Council Member Cummings stated a resident of The Village has offered to build them. (The resident attended the meeting and briefly spoke to the Council) Council Member Cummings advised that the idea is to provide people in need of food easy access to non-perishable food items. The Council discussed the feasibility and potential liability of allowing these to be placed on public property.

Council Member Symes advised that the sale of land in Casady Square to Braum’s will close this Wednesday. Council Member Symes advised that he would really like Braum’s to consider an outdoor seating area in the green area provided to the east of the building.

Council Member Symes told the Council that MVP Limited Partnership has put Casady Square up for sale.
Council Member Alexander told the Council that he has someone in mind to replace him on the City Council.

ITEM XVI.  NEW BUSINESS.

There was no New Business to come before the Council.

ITEM XVII:  ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:35 p.m.

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Mayor Wilkinson                Vice-Mayor Symes

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Council Member Bennett        Council Member Cummings

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City Clerk                   Council Member Alexander