



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
January 3, 2022

The City Council of the City of The Village, Oklahoma, met in Regular Session on Monday, January 3, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., at The Village City Hall located at 2304 Manchester Drive, The Village, OK 73120.

**COUNCIL PRESENT**

Sonny Wilkinson, Mayor  
Bubba Symes, Council Member  
Wynter Griffis, Council Member

**STAFF PRESENT**

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

**ABSENT**

Adam Graham, Vice-Mayor

**ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER.**

Mayor Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Mayor Wilkinson gave the invocation and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM III: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 20, 2021.**

The Mayor asked if there are any corrections, additions or deletions to the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 20, 2021. There were none. Mayor Wilkinson moved for the approval of the Minutes of the meetings held on December 20, 2021, as written. Council Member Griffis seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Symes, Griffis, and Wilkinson. Nay – none.

**ITEM IV: CITIZENS DESIRING TO BE HEARD, PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS.**

The Mayor stated this is the time for citizens to address the Council on any issue that is not on the posted Agenda.

Peggy Vogt, 10701 Lakeside Drive, stated her opposition to the proposed bond issue. Ms. Vogt further stated that it was sad that Council Member Cathy Cummings resigned to seek another political position.

Mayor Wilkinson stated that the proposed bond issue is for needed infrastructure improvements and that he and other members of the Council want to see the City continue to change and improve.



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**ITEM V: CONSIDERATION OF APPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER TO REMOVE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AT 9705 LAKESHORE DRIVE.**

City Manager Bruce Stone advised the Council that Code Enforcement investigated a complaint by a resident about the condition of the house at 9705 Lakeshore Drive. Mr. Stone showed the Council pictures of the home showing that the garage doors and soffit are in poor condition. The city manager explained that, rather than replace the garage door, the resident nailed an old fence panel into the garage door frame. Mr. Stone explained the history of drainage problems at this location and the improvements and repairs the City has done since the 1990s to alleviate the problems. Mr. Stone told the Council that the gutter discharges water in front of the garage, which can't be helpful during heavy rains.

The appellant, Mark Lefebvre, arrived at the meeting. Mr. Lefebvre told the Council that a raccoon got into the attic and caused the damage to the soffits. Mr. Lefebvre blamed constant water problems during heavy rains as the cause of damage to the garage door.

Council Member Symes stated that he considers the fence panel to be similar to framing in or bricking the garage door.

Council Member Symes asked the appellant how long it would take for him to repair the soffits and whether he is able to do the work himself or would need help. Mr. Lefebvre stated that he can do the work himself and that it wouldn't take long depending on the weather.

The Council agreed to have the city engineer look at the drainage and to advise as to what can be done to alleviate the water problems.

After a brief discussion, the consensus of the Council was to give the appellant thirty (30) days to make the needed repairs before further action by the City.

The Council took no formal action on the appeal at this time.

**ITEM VII: PROCLAMATION 01-03-2022 (A) CALLING AN ELECTION FOR THE OFFICES OF COUNCILMAN FOR WARDS 4, AND 5 FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022, IN THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE, OKLAHOMA; PROVIDING FILING DATES AND METHODS OF FILING FOR SAID OFFICES; PROVIDING FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR SAID OFFICES AND LISTING THE POLLING PLACES.**

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that the approved Proclamation, the City Charter, and the newly adopted Ward Map would be sent to the County Election Board. Mr. Stone



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advised that the filing period for the Ward 4 and Ward 5 City Council seats would be February 1, 2, and 3.

After a brief discussion, Council Member Symes moved to approve Proclamation 01-03-2022 (A) calling for an election on April 5, 2022, for the position of City Council Member for Ward 4 and Ward 5. Council Member Griffis seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Symes, Griffis, and Wilkinson. Nay – none.

**ITEM VII: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 01-03-2022 (A) ACCEPTING THE CONVEYANCE OF A TRACT OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE NE/4 OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, THE VILLAGE, OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, AND BEING A PART OF COMMON AREA B OF THE VILLAS AT THE VINEYARD, A REPLAT OF PART OF BLOCK 3, THE VINEYARDS, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.**

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that the Villas Homeowner’s Association has offered to convey a tract of land located directly behind and adjacent to City Hall to the City. Mr. Stone showed the Council pictures and a survey of the land to be conveyed to the City. Mr. Stone advised that acceptance of the conveyance will result in additional mowing costs for the City and the detention pond located on the parcel will require cleaning from time to time. Mr. Stone noted that the City benefits by having additional land for additional parking and for the placement of storage buildings as they become needed in the future. Mr. Stone advised that the Plat of the subdivision provides a 150-foot radius “no-build” line around the Singer #1 well site (abandoned) and a 160-foot radius no-build line around the common tank battery. City Attorney Jeff Sabin told the Council the plat restrictions would only apply to buildings that are intended for human occupancy and would not prohibit parking or unoccupied storage buildings.

Council Member Symes asked about utilities or other underground structures that could be an issue. The city manager advised that a City sewer main, a drainage pipe, and an abandoned gas line traverse the usable portion of the property but stated that these would not prevent the construction of additional parking or the placement of temporary storage buildings on the property.

After a brief discussion, Mayor Wilkinson moved to approve Resolution 01-03-2022 (A) accepting the conveyance of a parcel land by The Villas Association. Council Member Griffis seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Symes, Griffis, and Wilkinson. Nay – none.

**ITEM VIII. REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, ETC.**

- a) ***Review of Expenditures.*** *The Council reviewed the Expenditure Reports. The city manager noted and explained certain items on the reports.*



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b) **Manager's Report.**

*City Manager Bruce Stone gave the Council an update on the status of the various sidewalk projects.*

*Donna Rice told the Council that the speed limit sign near Hefner and Greystone has not been reinstalled. Mr. Stone advised that he would ask Rudy Construction to get the sign back in place as soon as possible.*

*Mr. Stone reported that the drainage project at Oxford and Britton Road will likely be delayed because utility relocation (ONG and AT&T) is expected to take five to six months to complete.*

*The city manager reported that Sgt. Mhoon retired after 22 years with The Village Police Department.*

*Mr. Stone reported that ACOG is requesting that the Council designate a new voting delegate to replace Cathy Cummings. Mr. Stone advised that this will be on the next agenda.*

*The city manager showed the Council pictures of the sidewalk repair on Hidden Village Drive and the new trash containers for the parks. Mr. Stone told the Council that the containers replace the old 55-gallon drums that have been used for decades.*

*The Council briefly discussed the next meeting on Tuesday, January 18th. Due to scheduling conflicts, the Council decided to have the meeting on Wednesday, January 19th instead.*

c) **Monthly Department Reports.** *The Council reviewed the monthly Department Reports.*

d) **Reports from Council.**

*Council Member Symes asked about the status of the review of substandard construction on Lakeside Drive. The city manager advised that legal counsel the City's consulting engineer plan to have a final meeting before meeting with representatives of the bonding company and Crossland Heavy Construction.*

*Mayor Wilkinson asked if metal and cardboard recycle bins were available at Public Works. The city manager advised that metal and cardboard recycling*



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*containers are available for use by residents. Mr. Stone advised that he needs to confirm that the cardboard recycling container is still available.*

*Mayor Wilkinson reported that he and the city manager met with County Commissioner Carrie Blumert and several County staff members recently. The Mayor stated that the Commissioner is looking forward to working with us and that she wants to be engaged with the community. The Mayor advised that the Commissioner offered to let the City borrow County-owned equipment when it is needed to clean silt and debris from the channel on Village Drive.*

**ITEM IX: NEW BUSINESS.**

There was no new business to come before the Council.

**ITEM X: ADJOURNMENT**

There was no further business to come before the Council and the Mayor adjourned the meeting 7:30 p.m.

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Mayor Wilkinson

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Vice-Mayor Graham

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Council Member Symes

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Council Member Griffis

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City Clerk

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