



**CITY OF THE VILLAGE
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 15, 2023**

The City Council of the City of The Village, Oklahoma, met in regular session at City Hall on Monday, May 15, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., at 2304 Manchester Drive.

Council Present

Bubba Symes, Mayor
Sean Cummings, Vice-Mayor
David Bennett, Councilmember
Melodie Moore, Councilmember
Sonny Wilkinson, Councilmember

Staff Present

Dave Slezickey, City Manager
Beverly McManus, City Treasurer
Jeff Sabin, City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Symes called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm with Councilmembers Cummings, Moore and Wilkinson seated. Councilmember Bennett took his seat at 6:32 pm.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Symes gave the invocation and led the Pledge.

3. COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Abigail Stout provided an update on the Library to include summer reading, a knitting club and a chess club for the summer. Councilmember Cummings commented on a future program with published authors from The Village to do a program.

Susan Kopta presented a request to consider making Village Drive one way to increase pedestrian access along this route.

Charlie Rode presented a new product for pond and fountain cleaning that was environmentally sound and being used by Sea World. He requested The Village to become the first city in the country to begin using it.

Donna Rice Johnson presented a request for a flag pole and restrictions on the permitting process, and inquired about alley mowing.

Jane Lowther wished everyone a Happy Mother's Day, commented about traffic cones at Ridgeview Elementary School, commented on the Meeker Drainage Channel Project; and inquired about Oriental Grass being weeded.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA consisting of April 2023 Claims and Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 1, 2023.

Councilmember Cummings made the motion to approve with a second from Councilmember Wilkinson.



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VOTE: YES- Bennett, Moore, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson NO-None
Motion passed 5-0

5. DISCUSSION REGARDING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROCESS OF COLLECTING DELINQUENT UTILITY ACCOUNTS.

Staff presented challenges of delinquent accounts and non-contract accounts for feedback and discussion from the Council. Billing Director Treva Dailey presented the challenges of past due accounts and options to issue citations for failure to pay or improve collection agency procedures. Discussion also focused around new residents who do not set up accounts and how to streamline this process more effectively. Discussion included working with OKC Water and Sewer billing to better identify change of service, Contracts with only the property owner, and the need to recover this lost revenue. Staff will assess the feedback, and bring back to the Council with clarified courses of action.

6. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 05-15-2023 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO AWARD THE BID FOR STREET MILLING AND OVERLAY PROJECTS AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

The City Manager presented the bids received with the recommendation from BWR Design Group to award the base bid to Rudy Construction for \$2,142,405.00 and no action on the Alternate 1 bid. Contract documents will have the east/west segment of Huntleigh removed and Havermill Place ending at Colebrook instead of Lanesboro to bond ballot specifications. City Manager advised that it is expected to have up to \$150,000 in change orders for curb and gutter replacements that were not specified in the bid documents.

Councilmember Wilkinson made the motion to approve with a second from Councilmember Cummings.

VOTE: YES- Bennett, Moore, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson NO-None
Motion passed 5-0

7. REPORTS

Treasurer's, City Manager's, and Departmental Reports were presented. City Attorney had no comments to present. Under Council Comments, Councilmember Wilkinson asked about the Carlton Way resurfacing project scheduled to begin soon. Councilmember Moore commented on the dumpster at the laundry mat at Britton and Nichols Rd, and commented on Casady School contract mower, mowing trash mixed in with the grass.



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8. NEW BUSINESS

None Presented

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Symes adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Bubba Symes, Mayor

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Sonny Wilkinson

ATTEST:

Dave Slezcicky, City Clerk