



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 16, 2018

The City Council of the City of The Village, Oklahoma, met in regular session at City Hall on Monday, April 16, 2018, at 7:30 p.m., at 2304 Manchester Drive.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Dave Bennett, Mayor
Bubba Symes, Council Member
Cathy Cummings, Council Member
Stan Alexander, Council Member

STAFF PRESENT

Bruce K. Stone, City Manager
Beverly K. Whitener, City Treasurer
Leslie V. Batchelor, City Attorney

ABSENT:

Sonny Wilkinson, Vice-Mayor

ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER.

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

ITEM II: INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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

ITEM III: APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

The Mayor asked if there were any corrections, additions or deletions to the Minutes of the meeting held on April 2, 2018. There were no corrections, additions or deletions and the Council approved the Minutes of the meeting, as written.

ITEM IV: CITIZENS DESIRING TO BE HEARD; PRESENTATIONS.

a) National League of Cities Service Line Insurance Program

Ashley Shiwarski, Business Development Sr. Manager of the National League of Cities Service Line Insurance Program, gave a presentation on the program. Ms. Shiwarski explained the premiums and coverages provided by the program and answered questions from the public and City Council.

Anita Dooley, 2905 Kerry Lane, appeared before the Council with several complaints. Ms. Dooley stated that, since the construction of the office suite next door, water stands in her yard and will not evaporate because of shade created by the 8' high fence separating the two properties. Ms. Dooley reported a dangling telephone cable behind her home. Ms. Dooley



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stated that plumbers have been to her home to work on sewer problems but the problems have not been resolved, which could indicate a problem on the city main. The city manager advised that line maintenance hydro-jetted (flushed) the sewer line earlier today and that the line would be videoed to make sure that the line is not collapsed or has other problems that need repair. Mr. Stone advised that he would look into the drainage and cable problems.

Peggy Vogt asked if Oklahoma City had provided the information requested concerning water lines on Lakeside Drive. Mr. Stone advised that Oklahoma City has not responded but that he is sure they are working on it. Mr. Stone advised Ms. Vogt that it might be helpful for her to reach out to Oklahoma City using the contact information provided in recent electronic communications.

Mayor Bennett welcomed Stan Alexander back to the City Council. Mr. Alexander stated that is an honor to serve again on the Council and that he would do his best to contribute in any way that he can.

ITEM V: CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF STAN ALEXANDER TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM ON THE CITY COUNCIL.

After a brief discussion, Mayor Bennett moved to appoint Stan Alexander to fill an unexpired term on the City Council. Council Member Symes seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Symes, Cummings and Bennett. Nay – none.

ITEM VI: ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBER STAN ALEXANDER.

Mayor Bennett administered the Oath of Office for Stan Alexander.

ITEM VII: CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 737 AMENDING CHAPTER 12, SECTION 12-42 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE; PERTAINING TO FALSE ALARMS, COMPLAINTS OR INFORMATION; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

City Attorney Leslie Batchelor explained the provisions of the Ordinance. Ms. Batchelor explained to the Council that the Ordinance broadens and strengthens existing provisions in the City Code and should help address the misuse of 911 and provide penalties for malicious false alarms and complaints.

Council Member Symes asked who determines if enforcement of these new provisions is warranted. Ms. Batchelor advised that the officer in the field would exercise independent



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judgement based on the facts of the incident. Ms. Batchelor advised that the City Prosecutor would ultimately determine whether the City should press charges.

After a brief discussion, Council Member Symes moved to approve Ordinance 737. Council Member Cummings seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Alexander, Cummings, Symes and Bennett. Nay – none.

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

ITEM VIII: CONSIDERATION OF ELECTION OF TWO TRUSTEES TO SERVE THREE YEAR TERMS ON THE OKLAHOMA MUNICIPAL ASSURANCE GROUP (OMAG) BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

City Manager Bruce Stone recommended that the City cast its ballots for Mike Bailey and Craig Stephenson.

After a brief discussion, Council Member Alexander moved to cast the City's ballots for Mike Bailey and Craig Stephenson. Council Member Symes seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Alexander, Cummings, Symes and Bennett. Nay – none.

ITEM IX: CONSIDERATION OF APPEAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER TO CORRECT INOPERABLE VEHICLE VIOLATIONS AT 1801 BRIGHTON AVENUE, PERRY BROWN APPELLANT.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that the appellant is not present to argue his case against the administrative order. Mr. Stone told the Council that Code Enforcement reports that the resident has complied with the administrative order and that action by the Council is not warranted at this time.

Legal Counsel recommended that the Council table this agenda item.

Council Member Cummings moved to table action on this agenda item. Council Member Symes seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Alexander, Cummings, Symes and Bennett. Nay – none.

ITEM X: CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF A COMMISSIONER TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM ON THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.

The Council discussed possible candidates for appointment to fill an unexpired term on the Planning & Zoning Commission.



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City Manager Bruce Stone advised that Brent Giles, Chairman of the Planning Commission, recommends that the Council consider Jack Gregg for the appointment.

The Council took no action.

ITEM XI. REPORTS:

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

General Fund, 03-19-2018:	\$52.00
General Fund, 03-22-2018:	\$34,170.94
Court Cash Bond Fund, 03-22-2018:	\$1,080.00
VPWA, 03-26-2018:	\$138,536.34
General Fund, 04-05-2018:	\$36,204.96
Court Cash Bond Fund, 04-05-2018:	\$200.00
UBCC Fund, 04-05-2018:	\$282.50

b) Manager's Report:

City Manager Bruce Stone reported that the monthly sales tax check was for \$425,923, which is an increase of \$40,425 or 10.49% over the same period last year. Mr. Stone also reported that Use Tax was up by \$36,981 over the same period last year.

Mr. Stone reported that The Village Friends will sponsor the Marathon Cheer Section again this year.

The city manager reported that Russell Kim has extended an invitation to the City Council to attend the Open House for the Bike Lab on Friday, April 20th.

Mr. Stone reported that Dheepak Jayakrishna has been working with the City's Web Host to publish the City's new webpage. Mr. Stone advised that the host is working through issues related to technical requirements for hosting webpages created using WordPress.

The city manager reported that Chapter 4 of The Village City Code pertaining to alcoholic beverages has been revised to reflect recent changes in State law. Mr. Stone advised that an Ordinance to adopt the changes would appear on an agenda later in the year.



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Mr. Stone reported that he has started working on the verification of address lists for the 2020 Census. Mr. Stone advised that this stage of the local review process must be completed by September 2018.

The city manager reported that Chief Hamill received the Patriot Award for his support of employees who are members of the National Guard and Reserve.

Mr. Stone reported that the house at 1800 Brighton, which was mentioned at the last Council Meeting is already under abatement and that the owner promises to re-roof the house by the end of the summer. Mr. Stone advised that this house is the former residence of Ollie Malcolm, who was one of the first Town Trustees of the Town of The Village. Mr. Stone advised that the election to incorporate the Town of The Village took place at this house in January 1950.

c) Reports from the City Council:

Council Member Cummings suggested the possibility of televising or streaming City Council meetings.

Council Member Cummings told the Council that former Council Member Hibbard would transmit information to her pertaining to the KaBOOM park grant for Duffner Park.

Council Member Cummings reported on the neighborhood picnic she attended in Wayne Schooley Park on Sunday. Council Member Cummings stated that residents who live in the neighborhood have a lot of ideas for improvement of the park. Council Member Cummings stated she is asking citizens who wish to be considered serve on a park committee to contact her by email stating their qualifications and the reason they would like to participate.

Mayor Bennett gave the Council a report on ACOG's search for a new Executive Director.

City Attorney Leslie Batchelor gave a brief report on a recent meeting with Love's concerning future plans for growth.

ITEM X. NEW BUSINESS.

There was no New Business to come before the Council.



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ITEM XI: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Mayor Bennett

Vice-Mayor Wilkinson

Council Member Symes

Council Member Cummings

City Clerk

Council Member Alexander