



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 4, 2019

The City Council of the City of The Village, Oklahoma, met in regular session at City Hall on Monday, February 4, 2019, at 7:30 p.m., at 2304 Manchester Drive.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Sonny Wilkinson, Mayor
Cathy Cummings, Vice-Mayor
Stan Alexander, Council Member
Dave Bennett, Council Member (*Arrived at 8:30 p.m.*)

STAFF PRESENT

Bruce K. Stone, City Manager
Jamie Gilpin, Payroll/Benefits Administrator
Jeff Sabin, Assistant City Attorney

ABSENT:

Bubba Symes, Council Member

ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER.

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

ITEM II: INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Wilkinson 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 regular meeting held on January 22, 2019. The city manager noted that Staff Present should be revised to reflect that Jamie Gilpin was present instead of Bonnie Updegraff. There were no further corrections, deletions or additions and the Council approved the Minutes of the meeting held on January 22, 2019, as corrected.

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.

Jim Bonfiglio, Business Operations Manager for Casady School, appeared before the Council to talk about increased enrollment and the need to provide classroom space for the additional students. Mr. Bonfiglio told the Council that the school would like to add temporary classrooms to house the additional students until existing buildings can be expanded. Mr. Bonfiglio showed the Council the site and floor plan for the proposed temporary classrooms. Mr. Bonfiglio told the Council that the temporary building would be placed behind a sight-proof



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behind the old Country Leisure Pool and Spa building located at the intersection of Nichols and Britton Road.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised the Council that City Code would need to be revised to accommodate the proposed temporary classroom buildings and suggested that legal counsel prepare needed revisions for consideration by the Council.

After a brief discussion, the consensus of the Council was that the proposal has merit and that the City should proceed with needed code revisions to facilitate the temporary building.

ITEM V: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 02-04-2019 (A) AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SEEK COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ON NORTHLAND ROAD, SUNRISE BLVD. AND ORLANDO ROAD.

The Council discussed the proposed drainage project.

Vice-Mayor Cummings asked if the City is required to award the contract to the low bidder. The city manager advised that the Oklahoma Competitive Bidding Act states that the City shall award the bid to the “lowest and best bidder”. Mr. Stone advised that bidders and/or subcontractors can be disqualified for cause and that the bid specifications for this project require bidders to disclose, in advance, the subcontractors they plan to use, if awarded the contract. Vice-Mayor Cummings further asked if the City would be bound to proceed with the project after advertising the project for bid and opening bids. Mr. Stone advised that the law allows the City to reject any and all bids and the City may abandon the project prior to the awarding of the bid and entering a contract. Mr. Stone further advised that the City can legally negotiate with the low bidder to reduce project costs.

After a brief discussion, Vice-Mayor Cummings moved to approve Resolution 02-04-2019 (A) authorizing the city manager to solicit competitive bids for the proposed Northland Drainage Project. Council Member Alexander seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Cummings, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.

ITEM VI. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 02-04-2019 (B) DENYING A CLAIM FOR ALLEGED DAMAGES BY VICTOR SOTO, 1608 OXFORD WAY.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised the Council that the City’s insurance carrier investigated the claim for damages submitted Victor Soto and determined that the City is not liable for the alleged damages. Mr. Stone explained the circumstances which led up to the claim. Mr. Stone told the Council that the City’s insurance carrier recommends that the Council formally deny the claim.



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Vice-Mayor Cummings asked staff if they concurred with the recommendation. Mr. Stone advised that he concurs with the recommendation and noted that it would probably be unlawful for the City to pay for the repair of a private sewer line when the City is not liable for damages to the line.

After a brief discussion, Council Member Alexander moved to approve Resolution 02-04-2019 (B) denying the claim submitted by Victor Soto. Vice-Mayor Cummings seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Cummings, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.

ITEM VII: REPORTS:

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

<i>General Fund, 01/22/2019:</i>	<i>\$116,126.87</i>
<i>Capital Improvement Fund, 01-22-2019:</i>	<i>\$2,932.40</i>
<i>Court Cash Bond Fund, 01-22-2019:</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>G.O. Bond Project Fund, 01-22-2019</i>	<i>\$4,783.44</i>
<i>G.O. Bond Project Fund, 01-28-2019</i>	<i>\$12,555.00</i>

b) **Manager's Report:**

City Manager Bruce Stone gave the Council a report on various construction projects including the Britton Road reconstruction project and the resurfacing of Northland Road, Berkshire Way, Waverly Avenue and Nichols Road.

Mr. Stone reported that Cimarron Construction has started water line replacement west of May. Mr. Stone told the Council that the contractor will not be allowed to cut any new pavement and would be required to provide casing for new water lines under City streets.

The city manager reported that an application to rezone 3 lots at the corner of Britton and Waverly from A-1 Single Family to C-2 Commercial has been received and will go before the Planning & Zoning Commission on March 4 and before the Council on March 18.

Mr. Stone noted the proposal from LAUD Studio for services related to public improvements pursuant to TIF #1 and TIF #4. Mr. Stone told the Council that the proposal is only for discussion and review at this time as funds to pay for the proposed services have not been received.



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The city manager told the Council that a Certified Healthy Communities workshop and awards luncheon would be held in Norman on March 7. Vice-Mayor Cummings indicated an interest in attending the workshop.

Mr. Stone told the Council that residents would receive mail promoting the NLC Service Line Warranty Program over the next few weeks. Mr. Stone told the Council that he would do a robocall to alert residents of the promotion.

The city manager reported that plans for sidewalk and signalization improvements are complete and that it might be a good idea for the Council to have a work session to review the plans before going out to bid.

c) **Reports from the Council:**

Vice-Mayor Cummings told the Council that she reported a broken window at Raspberries and Crème and noticed that contractors appeared to be working in the building despite a “stop work” order issued by the Building Inspector.

Vice-Mayor Cummings reported that she recently met with other Mayors at the State Capitol.

Council Member Bennett gave the Council a report on the recent ACOG Board meeting where several topics were discussed including the next generation 911 system, REAP, and plans for a rail system that would eventually serve the Guthrie to Norman corridor.

Council Member Bennett told the Council that he met with the owner of the counseling service at Nichols and Britton about a fence he would like to build. Council Member Bennett advised that the proposed fence does not comply with city ordinances.

Mayor Wilkinson reminded Code Enforcement that it is time to notify residents who still have their holiday decorations up to comply with code provisions requiring the decorations to be removed after the holiday.

ITEM VIII. NEW BUSINESS.

There was no New Business to come before the Council.



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ITEM IX: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Mayor Wilkinson

Vice-Mayor Cummings

Council Member Bennett

Council Member Symes

City Clerk

Council Member Alexander