



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 18, 2019

The City Council of the City of The Village, Oklahoma, met in regular session at City Hall on Monday, February 18, 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
Bubba Symes, Council Member

STAFF PRESENT

Bruce K. Stone, City Manager
Bonnie Updegraff, Purchasing Agent
Bryan Coon, City Engineer

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 February 4, 2019. There were no corrections, deletions or additions and the Council approved the Minutes of the meeting held on February 4, 2019, 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.

Scott Bowen appeared before the Council to request the City Code be changed to allow a reduced front yard setback so that carports could be permitted. Mr. Bowen stated that there are several illegal carports in The Village and that he should be able to have one too. The city manager advised that, even if the Council amends the setback requirements to allow carports, there are plat restriction issues that should be addressed to avoid a district court action by an aggrieved property owner against a carport that encroaches on the building limit line established in the plat of the subdivision.



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ITEM V: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 02-18-2019 (A) ACCEPTING GRANT FOR BODY WORN CAMERAS & AMENDING THE FY 2018-19 CAPITAL IMPROVMENT FUND BUDGET.

City Manager Bruce Stone explained that the Resolution is needed to accept the terms of the \$10,000 OMAG Grant and to properly appropriate the funds so that they can be expended in accordance with budgeting laws.

After a brief discussion. Council Member Symes moved to approve Resolution 02-18-2019 (A) accepting the OMAG grant and amending the FY 2018-19 Capital Improvement Budget. Vice-Mayor Cummings seconded the motion. The vote: Yea – Symes, Cummings, Wilkinson and Alexander. Nay – none.

ITEM VI: DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF ENGINEERING PLANS FOR SIDEWALK AND SIGNALIZATION IMPROVEMENTS.

City Engineer Bryan Coon appeared before the Council to review plans for sidewalk improvements. Mr. Coon briefly explained the scope of three separate sidewalk projects and noted the changes made to the preliminary plan.

The city manager advised that the Council should be aware that most existing sidewalk in The Village is 4' wide and that new sidewalk would be 5' wide and in some places 6' wide to meet ADA standards. Mr. Stone advised that transitions from 4-foot wide sidewalks to 5-foot wide sidewalks would be needed. Mr. Stone noted other potential issues including trees, shrubs, planters and other encroachments that might have to be removed. Mr. Stone told the Council that the loss of usable driveway space for some residences could be a problem. Mr. Stone told the Council that it is unlawful for vehicles to block a sidewalk and, hence, homes with many vehicles or short driveways may have to park cars in the street. Mr. Stone further noted that in some instances, especially on thoroughfares (Britton, May, Penn and Hefner), parking in the street is not an option.

City Manager Bruce Stone advised that there may not be enough money in the initial (2018) bond issue to proceed with all three of the sidewalk projects at this time and that Council input is needed to determine, which projects the Council would like done first. The consensus of the Council was to let staff decide how to proceed.

The Council took no action.

ITEM VII: REPORTS:

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



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| <i>General Fund, 02/01/2019:</i> | \$862.19 |
| <i>General Fund, 02/07/2019:</i> | \$24,816.35 |
| <i>Capital Improvement Fund, 02/07/2019:</i> | \$104,049.76 |
| <i>Animal Bond Fund, 02/07/2019:</i> | \$45.00 |
| <i>Special Park Fund, 02/07/2019:</i> | \$25.00 |
| <i>G.O. Bond Project Fund, 02/07/2019:</i> | \$2,551.50 |

b) Manager's Report:

City Manager Bruce Stone reported that the monthly sales tax check was for \$529,746.91, which is an increase of \$60,630 or 12.92% over the same period last year. Mr. Stone reported that Use Tax was up by \$56.041 over the same period last year.

The city manager gave the Council a report on the status of various bond projects including Britton Road, Bond Project #1 west of May and Bond Project #6 east of Pennsylvania Avenue. Mr. Stone reported that curb replacement is underway in Project #2 and that curb replacement has almost been completed on Ridgeview. Mr. Stone told the Council that approximately 1,000 feet of new curb and gutter would be installed on Carlton Way over the course of the next few weeks.

Mr. Stone reported that the Notice to Bidders for the Northland Drainage project was advertised today and that bids will be opened on March 18th.

Mr. Stone showed the Council the plan for sidewalk improvements at Duffner Park. Mr. Stone told the Council that the City Engineer worked with LAUD Studio to make sure the new sidewalks would be designed to work with the Duffner Park Master Plan recently approved by the Council.

c) Monthly Department Reports:

The Council reviewed the monthly Department Reports.

d) Reports from the Council:

Council Member Bennett reported that he had received a call from a resident not happy with the NLC Service Line Warranty program. Council Member Bennett advised that the resident says the contractor is not working with due diligence to complete the work. Mr. Stone asked Council Member Bennett to provide the contact information so that he could investigate the matter.



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Vice-Mayor Cummings told the Council that she had been contacted by a resident who thought the electronic voice on the City's robocalls are "weird." Vice-Mayor Cummings said she is willing to record the messages as needed.

Vice-Mayor Cummings reported that a legislator asked her about the annual budget for the City of The Village. The city manager advised that the information is available on the City website. Mr. Stone advised that the FY 2018-19 General Fund budget is approximately \$10,000,000.

Council Member Alexander said that he was contacted by a resident who said that the basketball hoop and net need to be replaced in Johnson Park.

Mayor Wilkinson said he saw a food truck in the driveway at 9912 Nichols Road. The city manager advised that he thinks this might have been on the survey that was done last year and that it is probably legal under current code. Mr. Stone advised that he would check on this to be sure.

Mayor Wilkinson asked about drainage issues in The Villas. Mr. Stone advised that the Home Owner's Association is working on a maintenance problem with the retention pond serving the development. Mr. Stone advised that the only other drainage issue he is aware of pertains to water running from Covenant Presbyterian Church to the east. Mr. Stone advised that handling this water is the home owner's problem as the church property has always drained to the east. *(Note: The church has agreed to cooperate as needed to assist the home owners' resolve their drainage issues, but the church is not willing to pay any of the costs.)*

The Mayor stated that the City should have more communication with Home Owner's Associations in The Village. Mr. Stone advised that the HOA for Crossings at The Village is probably not active yet and that he has met with residents of The Vineyard Cottages and Hawthorn on multiple occasions as have other members of the Council from time to time.

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 8:55 p.m.

Mayor Wilkinson

Vice-Mayor Cummings

Council Member Bennett

Council Member Symes

City Clerk

Council Member Alexander