

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA
FEBRUARY 3, 2014

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Pursuant to notice as required by law, the Ponca City Board of Commissioners met in work session at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber at City Hall, 516 E. Grand Avenue, with Mayor Homer Nicholson presiding:

Present: Homer Nicholson, Mayor
Lanita Chapman, Commissioner
R. Mark Macy, Commissioner
Steve Hermann, Commissioner
Craig Stephenson, City Manager
Kevin Murphy, City Attorney
Marc LaBossiere, Finance Director/City Clerk

Absent: Diane Anderson, Commissioner

Others Present: Don Bohon, Darwin Haney, William Tripp, Hong Fu, Tana McKinley, Candy Karpe, Anthony Rogers, Chris Henderson, Ben Garrison, Koda, City staff; citizens.

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Nicholson called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON A SANITARY SEWER INTERCEPTOR REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

City Manager Craig Stephenson began, informing all that the project has been many years in the making. Stephenson then gave a history on the interceptor line that runs through the Phillips 66 refinery, and noted that there has been a tremendous amount of collaboration with the local refinery and manager Pete Stynes. Stephenson reviewed a list of contributions P66 will make towards getting the project completed, and clarified that once fixed it should be in good shape for a long time.

Environmental Services Director Hong Fu continued, describing the wastewater collection line as a very important part of the system, serving a 570 acre residential area in southwest Ponca City. Fu reviewed the options and challenges faced in replacing the existing line. Ultimately staff is recommending trenchless rehabilitation through pipe bursting technology. Using this process it is projected that the project could be completed in 120 days. Fu then reviewed a list of responsibilities that the P66 refinery will be assuming to assist in completion of the project. Discussion ensued.

3. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS PROPOSED AGREEMENT FOR AT&T TO PROVIDE U-VERSE SERVICES.

City Attorney Kevin Murphy relayed that AT&T has approached the City and wants an agreement whereby they can roll out U-Verse, which includes telephone, internet and cable television services. Murphy discussed unique State constitutional privileges granted to telephone providers as well as other franchise related issues. Murphy noted that AT&T is willing to pay a franchise fee the same as Cable One, and that an agreement would come to the Commission in the near future for consideration. Discussion ensued.

4. COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS.

Mayor Nicholson encouraged all to get prepared for a coming week of very cold weather. Commissioner Chapman reminded all of the City Commission election on February 11, 2014 and to get out and vote. Commissioner Macy expressed gratitude to City crews providing necessary services in the wake of recent winter storms.

5. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS.

City Manager Craig Stephenson reminded all that a Ponca Politics election forum would be held on Friday, February 7, 2014 with the two candidates for City Commission. Stephenson also relayed that OMPA will hold a groundbreaking for the new power plant in Ponca City on Thursday, February 13, 2014.

6. ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ANNUAL REVIEW OF CITY MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE.

At 3:04 p.m., Commissioner Chapman moved to enter executive session to discuss annual appraisal of the City Manager. Commissioner Hermann seconded.

Yeas: Chapman, Hermann, Nicholson, Macy. Nays: none. Motion carried

At 3:55 p.m. the Commission returned to regular session.

7. ADJOURN.

Commissioner Chapman moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Macy seconded.
Yeas: Chapman, Macy, Nicholson, Hermann. Nays: none. Motion carried

Roll: Yeas; Chapman, Macy, Nicholson, Hermann. Nays; none. Motion carried.

Mayor Nicholson adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 24TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2014.




MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK