

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA
MAY 16, 2011

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
Paul Krueger, Commissioner
Diane Anderson, Commissioner
Lanita Chapman, Commissioner
Craig Stephenson, City Manager
Kevin Murphy, City Attorney
Marc LaBossiere, Finance Director/City Clerk

Absent: Bill Flegler, Commissioner

Others Present: Tana McKinley, Jim Sindelar, Dwaine Vincent, Mike Chapman, City Staff; Shane Harland, Stephanie Williams, YMCA; Beverly Bryant, Ponca City News.

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

2. RECEIVE THE PONCA CITY AQUATIC AND FAMILY CENTER-YMCA SEMI-ANNUAL UPDATE.

Shane Harland, Executive Director of the YMCA in Ponca City, began with a slide handout to commissioners. Harland reviewed operations from opening to date, along with membership statistics. Harland then reviewed maintenance efforts.

Next, Stephanie Williams reviewed usage of the facility, including community groups, special events, and programming. Williams elaborated on services added at the new facility such as swim lessons, the XRKade and expanded Kids Zone. Williams outlined current staffing levels and training efforts. Harland then reviewed scholarship numbers to date and discussed the status of ball fields. Commissioner Krueger questioned the definition of family in the rate structure. Discussion ensued.

3. COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS.

Commissioner Anderson expressed a desire for residents to have their opinions heard on matters with the Ponca City Family & Aquatics Center – YMCA.

Commissioner Chapman emphasized to Harland that the Commission did not mean to put him on the spot with questions. Harland responded that he would have brought members from his Board of Director's had he known his update would become a discussion on facility policy.

4. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS.

City Manager Craig Stephenson informed commissioners that key management staff attended NIMS incident command training over three days in the prior week. Stephenson noted that he had met with staff at Roosevelt School regarding concerns over tree losses due to the nearby street project. Stephenson stated that the engineer reviewed options and that the tree could not be saved. Stephenson then informed the Commission that Union Street would be closed for two weeks while drainage box work is completed there.

5. ADJOURN.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson to adjourn. Chapman seconded.

Roll: Yeas; Anderson, Chapman, Nicholson, and Krueger. Nays; None. Motion carried.

Mayor Nicholson adjourned the meeting at 2:48 p.m.

PASSED IN SESSION AND APPROVED THIS 23RD DAY OF MAY 2011.

VICE-MAYOR

ATTEST:

DEPUTY CITY CLERK