

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BLACKWELL CITY COUNCIL
BLACKWELL, OKLAHOMA
January 18, 2010**

Pursuant to the legal notice as is required by the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, including the posting of notice and agenda on January 14, 2010, as is required by the terms thereof, the City Council of the City of Blackwell met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall located at 221 West Blackwell, Blackwell, Oklahoma with Mayor Cordell presiding:

Present: John Mark Cordell, Mayor
 Nita Carroll, Councilor Ward 1
 Max Wirtz, Councilor Ward 2
 Piccola Hudsonpillar, Councilor Ward 3
 Brad Bechtel, Councilor Ward 4
 Mark Skiles, City Manager
 Cindy Neumayer, City Clerk

Absent: Mary Ann Karns, City Attorney

Others Present: Fred LeValley, Police Chief; Bruce Jones, Blackwell Journal; and 18 citizens in the audience.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor Cordell called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. **OPENING CEREMONIES:** Invocation was given by Pastor Dittman, followed by Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilor Bechtel.
3. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND/OR RECOGNITIONS:** None.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - (A) Minutes of 01/04/10 Meeting.
 - (B) Correction to Minutes of 12/21/09.
Items A & B as contained on the Consent Agenda were found to be non-controversial and routine in nature by the City Council. Motion was made by Bechtel, seconded by Carroll, to approve consent agenda as presented. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.
5. **Reports from Organizations and Authorities.** None.
6. **Board Comments.**

Councilor Bechtel - None.
Councilor Hudsonpillar - None.
Councilor Wirtz - None.
Councilor Carroll gave recognition to city employees for working on the many broken water lines.
Mayor Cordell echoed Councilor Carroll adding his appreciation to Fred Harraman and the street crew.
7. **Management Comments.** Manager Skiles gave an overview of the financial status of the City of Blackwell. Skiles recommended to the council all full time, non-union employees experience a 5% deduction. He commented if what we are doing now doesn't help in a couple of months, more drastic action will be taken. Skiles clarified this to mean internally.

8. BUSINESS:

- (A) **Resolution 01-18-10A/01-18-10MA, a Joint Resolution of the City of Blackwell, Oklahoma and the Blackwell Municipal Authority, Setting Forth Certain Rates to be Charged for Water Service Within the City.**

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Wirtz to accept Resolution 01-18-10A/01-18-10MA. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

- (B) **Resolution 01-18-10B/01-18-10MB, a Joint Resolution of the City of Blackwell, Oklahoma and the Blackwell Municipal Authority, Establishing the Basis for Monthly Sewer Use Charge for the City.**

Motion was made by Councilor Bechtel, seconded by Councilor Hudsonpillar to accept Resolution 01-18-10B/01-18-10MB. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

- (C) **Resolution 01-18-10C/01-18-10MC, a Joint Resolution of the City of Blackwell, Oklahoma and the Blackwell Municipal Authority, Establishing Certain Rates to be Charged for Collection of Solid Waste Within the City.**

Motion was made by Councilor Bechtel, seconded by Councilor Carroll to accept Resolution 01-18-10C/01-18-10MC. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS: None.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business Mayor Cordell adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Cynthia Neumayer, City Clerk