

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BLACKWELL CITY COUNCIL
BLACKWELL, OKLAHOMA
March 2, 2009**

Pursuant to the legal notice as is required by the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, including the posting of notice and agenda on February 27, 2009, 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
 Debra Paige, City Clerk

Absent: Mark Skiles, City Manager
 Mary Ann Karns, City Attorney

Others Present: Fred LeValley, Police Chief; Charles Abbott, Blackwell Journal and 13 citizens in the audience.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor Cordell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **OPENING CEREMONIES:** Prayer was given by Reverend Teston followed by Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilor Carroll.
3. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND/OR RECOGNITIONS:** Mayor Cordell read the proclamation declaring March 1-7, 2009 as "Oklahoma Emergency Management Week".
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - (A) Minutes of 02/16/09 Meeting.
 - (B) Payment of Outstanding Claims for FebruaryItems A & B as contained on the Consent Agenda were found to be non-controversial and routine in nature by the City Council and a motion by Carroll, seconded by Bechtel, 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 Hudsonpillar thanked Mr. Snow for a letter she received from him.
Councilor Carroll encouraged everyone to vote March 3, 2009.
7. **Management Comments.** None.

8. **BUSINESS:**

- (A) **Ordinance No. 2676 2767 An Ordinance Amending the Employee Retirement System, Defined Benefit Plan of the City of Blackwell, Oklahoma, to Incorporate the Final IRC Section 415 Regulations and Provisions of the Pension Funding Equity Act; and Amending the Defined Contribution Plan of the City of Blackwell, Oklahoma, to Incorporate the Final IRC Section 415 Regulations; Providing for Employer Pickup of Mandatory Contributions for the Defined Benefit Plan; Providing for Effective Date, Providing for Repealer and Severability; and Declaring an Emergency.**

Ordinance number was corrected to read 2767. Motion made by Wirtz, seconded by Carroll to adopt Ordinance 2767. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Hudsonpillar, Wirtz and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Wirtz, seconded by Carroll to attach the emergency clause to Ordinance No. 2767. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Hudsonpillar, Wirtz and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

- (B) **Discussion, Consideration and Possible action on Setting a Public Hearing and Authorizing the Giving of Notice for Annexation of a Tract of Land Generally Located Approximately One-Fourth Mile South of Coolidge and One-Half Mile East of Main Street.**

Mayor Cordell removed Item B from the Agenda.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

10. **ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business Mayor Cordell adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Debra Paige, City Clerk