

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BLACKWELL CITY COUNCIL
BLACKWELL, OKLAHOMA
May 4, 2009

Pursuant to the legal notice as is required by the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, including the posting of notice and agenda on April 17, 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
 Mark Skiles, City Manager
 Debra Paige, City Clerk

Absent: Mary Ann Karns, City Attorney

Others Present: Fred LeValley, Police Chief; Dave Keen, Electric Supervisor; Ken Fulton,
Veolia Water; Charles Abbott, Blackwell Journal and 17 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 Councilor Hudsonpillar followed by Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilor Wirtz.
3. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND/OR RECOGNITIONS:**
 - **Swearing in of Councilor Brad Bechtel and Councilor Piccola Hudsonpillar.**
 - **Presentation by Representative of OMPA Regarding Blackwell's Recertification in "Competitive Utilities Program" (CUPS).**

Mayor Cordell administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Councilor of Ward 3 Piccola Hudsonpillar and re-elected Councilor of Ward 4 Brad Bechtel.

Roger Farrer from OMPA presented Mayor Cordell with a check in the amount of \$20,000.00 for recertification in the Competitive Utilities Program.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - (A) Minutes of 04/20/09 Meeting.
 - (B) Payment of Outstanding Claims for April.

Items A & B as contained on the Consent Agenda was 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.** None.

7. **Management Comments.** Manager Skiles said the playground equipment will be installed by City Staff.

8. **BUSINESS:**

(A) **Discussion and Possible Action on Election of Vice Mayor as Defined in the City of Blackwell Charter.**

Motion made by Bechtel, seconded by Carroll to re-elect Max Wirtz as Vice-Mayor. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

(B) **Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance No. 2770, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2768, Which Annexed Property into the City of Blackwell, By Correcting an Error in the Legal Description, Providing for an Emergency and Waiving Second Reading.**

Motion made by Bechtel, seconded by Hudsonpillar to adopt Ordinance No. 2770. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

(C) **Discussion and Consideration of Employment, Hiring, Appointment, Promotion, Demotion, Disciplining or Resignation of Municipal Judge.**

The City Attorney is Recommending this Item for Executive Session Pursuant to 26 O.S. (B) 1.

A. Consideration of Entering Into Executive Session.

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Bechtel to enter into executive session at 7:12 p.m. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

B. Return From Executive Session to Open Session.

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Bechtel to reconvene open session at 7:47 p.m. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

C. Action, If Any.

There was no action taken.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

10. **ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business Mayor Cordell adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Debra Paige, City Clerk