

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BLACKWELL CITY COUNCIL
BLACKWELL, OKLAHOMA August 19, 2009**

Pursuant to the legal notice as is required by the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, including the posting of notice and agenda on August 17, 2009, as is required by the terms thereof, the City Council of the City of Blackwell met in special session at 5:30 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
 Mary Ann Karns, City Attorney

Absent: None.

Others Present: Fred LeValley, Police Chief; Bruce Jones, Blackwell Journal; and 10 citizens in the audience.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor Cordell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. **OPENING CEREMONIES:** Prayer was given by Andy Teston, followed by Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilor Hudsonpillar.
3. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND/OR RECOGNITIONS:** None.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - (A) Minutes of 08/03/09 Meeting.
 - (B) Fee Agreement with Ryan, Whaley, Coldiron, Shandy, P.C. for representation of the City's interests and rights against third parties concerning any contamination resulting from the historic operations of the Blackwell Zinc Smelter. (Inadvertently failed to vote on 8-3-09).
 - (C) Authorizations for Mayor Cordell, Council Member Bechtel and City Manager Skiles to attend Settlement Conference in matter of GET v. City of Blackwell and to bind the City within guidelines previously set forth.
Items A, B & C as contained on the Consent Agenda were found to be non-controversial and routine in nature by the City Council and a motion 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 - None.
 - Mayor Cordell
7. **Management Comments.** Manager Skiles gave a brief report of damage caused to city property due to a storm the previous weekend. The damage included but not limited to phone service, Internet service and the burglar alarm system.

8. BUSINESS:

(A) Resolution ~~08-17-09A~~ 08-19-09A, Amending Resolution 06-18-07B and 06-18-07MA to Include Electric Rates for Educational Facilities and Declaring an Emergency.

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Wirtz to approve Resolution 08-19-09A, amending Resolution 06-18-07B and 06-18-07MA. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

(B) School Resource Officer Agreement.

Motion made by Bechtel, seconded by Hudsonpillar to accept the School Resource Officer Agreement. Chief LeValley commented the program was very successful. LeValley stated Sgt. Owens would be the Resource Officer. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

(C) Permission for Treasurer and Staff to Receive Interest Rate Proposals from Local Banks Regarding Pooled Cash Funds.

Motion made by Wirtz, seconded by Bechtel granting permission for Treasurer and staff to receive interest rate proposals from local banks regarding Pooled Cash Funds. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

(D) Recommendation on Reappointment of Mike Stotts to the Lake Blackwell Trust Authority for Three Year Term.

Motion made by Bechtel, seconded by Carroll to reappoint Mike Stotts to the Lake Blackwell Trust Authority for a three year term. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

(E) Recommendation on Reappointment of Dennis Pearce to the Blackwell-Tonkawa Airport Authority for Three Year Term.

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Hudsonpillar to reappoint Dennis Pearce to the Blackwell-Tonkawa Airport Authority for a three year term. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz, Hudsonpillar and Bechtel. Nays: none. Motion carried.

~~9. NEW BUSINESS:~~

10. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business Mayor Cordell adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

Cynthia Neumayer, City Clerk