

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BLACKWELL CITY COUNCIL
BLACKWELL, OKLAHOMA
September 21, 2009**

Pursuant to the legal notice as is required by the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, including the posting of notice and agenda on September 18, 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
 Mark Skiles, City Manager
 Cindy Neumayer, City Clerk
 Mary Ann Karns, City Attorney

Absent: Brad Bechtel, Councilor Ward 4

Others Present: Dewayne Wood, Asst. Police Chief; Denys Mayse, Asst. Code Enforcement Officer; Charles Abbott and Bruce Jones, Blackwell Journal; and 8 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:** None.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 (A) Minutes of 09/08/09 Special Meeting.
 Item A as contained on the Consent Agenda was found to be non-controversial and routine in nature by the City Council. Motion by Carroll, seconded by Bechtel, to approve consent agenda as presented. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz and Hudsonpillar. Nays: none. Motion carried.
5. **Reports from Organizations and Authorities.** None.
6. **Board Comments.**
 Councilor Bechtel - Absent.
 Councilor Hudsonpillar expressed how glad she was to see Charles Abbott at the meeting and thanked everyone for attending the fair.
 Councilor Wirtz was happy to see Charles.
 Councilor Carroll said "Ditto". She commented on Charles' long time relationship with the City and reporting the council meetings.
 Mayor Cordell said Charles had been missed.
7. **Management Comments.** Manager Skiles said he is glad to have Charles back. He also commented this was his first Kay County Fair as City Manager. The grounds were kept clean and everything went smooth. Skiles then turned comments over to Bruce Jones to explain a fund raiser, "When Pigs Fly".
 Jones explained , "When Pigs Fly" is a fund raiser for the Blackwell School Foundation. The Blackwell Journal will cover the advertising costs. Skiles offered to close half a block between the alley and A Street on Blackwell Avenue. Pigs can be

adopted for \$5.00 each. Pigs will be dropped, hence flying, on a designated location. There will be three prizes of \$200, \$100 and \$50. The funds will go to the Blackwell School Foundation. This will take place before the homecoming parade.

8. BUSINESS:

(A) Ordinance No. 2779; An Ordinance Repealing, in its Entirety and by Referee, Ordinance No. 2777, and the Flood Damage Prevention Provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Blackwell, Specifically Sections 8-306 through 8-307 and Enacting a New Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance of 2009, Setting Definitions, Providing Methods of Flood Prevention; Providing for Basis; Setting Height Regulation; Providing for Administration; Providing for a Flood Plain Management Board; Setting Penalty for Violation; Providing for Other Administrative Matters; Providing for Codification; Providing for Severability; Providing for Repealer; Declaring an Emergency and Waiving Second Reading.

Attorney Karns explained that FEMA did not approve the Ordinance No. 2777. The City of Blackwell is required to pass this ordinance so residents can obtain flood insurance.

Motion was made by Carroll, seconded by Hudsonpillar to pass Ordinance No. 2779. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz and Hudsonpillar. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Carroll, seconded by Hudsonpillar to declare emergency and waive second reading. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz and Hudsonpillar. Nays: none. Motion carried.

(B) Approval of Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, Grant No. EMW-2008-FO-01490.

Manager Skiles explained the Assistance to Firefighters Grant was requested in 2008. The City was initially denied this grant. The money was turned back to the program and the City was chosen to receive the grant. The Grant is a 95/5 percent match. Skiles commented that the funds were not budgeted for this year since the City was originally denied the grant.

Motion made by Wirtz, seconded by Carroll to accept the Assistance to Firefighters Grant. Roll, yeas: Cordell, Carroll, Wirtz and Hudsonpillar. Nays: none. Motion carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS: None.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business Mayor Cordell adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Cynthia Neumayer, City Clerk