



**MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BARTLESVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
Monday, January 27, 2020  
at 7:30 p.m.**

City Hall, Council Chambers  
401 S. Johnstone Avenue  
Bartlesville, OK 74003

**Mayor Dale Copeland  
918-338-4282**

**MINUTES**

(Notice and Agenda posted at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 23, 2020.)

Council members present were Mayor Dale Copeland, Vice Mayor Alan Gentges, Councilmen Jim Curd, Jr., Trevor Dorsey and Paul Stuart.

City staff present were Mike Bailey, City Manager; Jess Kane, City Attorney; Jason Muninger, City Clerk/CFO; Micah Siemers, PE, Director Engineering; Police Chief Tracy Roles; Kelli Williams, Chief Communications Officer; and Elaine Banes, Executive Assistant.

- 1. Mayor Copeland called the Business Meeting of the Bartlesville City Council to order at 7:30 p.m.**
- 2. Roll call was conducted and a quorum established.**
- 3. Vice Mayor Gentges provided the invocation.**
- 4. Citizens to be heard.**

Teri Dray, Jack Dray, and Tyler Vaclaw each spoke on behalf of the sport of Pickleball and encouraged the City Council to approve a Pickleball facility in the proposed list of projects presented for approval at tonight's meeting.

- 5. City Council Announcements and Proclamations.**

There were no announcements or proclamations.

- 6. Discuss and take possible action to approve the General Obligation Bond and ½ Cent Sales Tax Capital Projects. Presented by Micah Siemers, PE, Director of Engineering.**

Mr. Siemers reported that at the Council meeting on January 21, 2020 the City Council decided to delay the selection of projects for the April 2020 capital elections until Monday, January 27. The Council agreed to submit their proposed amendments to staff by 5 p.m. Thursday, January 23. Mr. Siemers reviewed the project list and each of the proposals submitted. Each Councilmember who submitted amendments provided their list and spoke as to why their proposed amendments were requested. From the outset there were amendments to the amendments, and a lengthy discussion ensued primarily around whether to fully or partially fund a Pickleball Court in which it was determined that a majority of the Councilmembers agreed fully fund; the reasoning behind adding additional funds to the Downtown Landscape Plan; how upgrading the windows at City Hall may be money better spent than on downtown landscaping due to energy efficiency, but allowing it could be

delayed at this time; why the vehicle maintenance program should be reduced by \$200,000 and extending the use of vehicles longer; and whether to provide funding for additional Community Center needs. Good discussion was held and a consensus obtained for staff to prepare the lists for final approval. Mr. Bailey reported that the projects will be compiled and sent to the City's financial firm to prepare the ordinances and resolutions necessary to vote upon at the February 3, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting. Once approved, the required documents will be delivered to the Washington County Election Board to call an election for April 7, 2020 so that the voters can vote on the proposed projects.

Vice Mayor Gentges moved to approve the General Obligation Bond project list as discussed with adjustments, seconded by Mr. Stuart.

Aye: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Curd, Vice Mayor Gentges, Mayor Copeland  
Nay: None  
Motion: Passed

Vice Mayor Gentges moved to approve the ½ Cent Sales Tax Capital Project list as discussed with adjustments, seconded by Mr. Stuart.

Aye: Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Curd, Vice Mayor Gentges, Mr. Stuart, Mayor Copeland  
Nay: None  
Motion: Passed

## **7. City Manager and Staff Reports.**

Mr. Bailey had nothing to report at this time.

## **8. City Council Comments and Inquiries.**

Mr. Stuart provided a quote from Queen Elizabeth that he felt reflected the positive process of selecting projects over the past few months and respectful interaction between councilmembers.

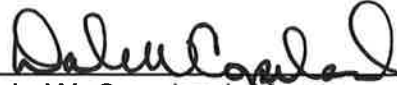
Vice Mayor Gentges stated his appreciation of the Mayor, fellow councilmembers, Mr. Bailey and city staff for their work on the process of developing the project lists. He added that not all governments handle their interaction the way this City Council does which is with respect for each other.

He also reported that he and Mr. Curd had met with Cherokee Chief Hoskin prior to the meeting, and stated his appreciation of Chief Hoskin and the Cherokee Tribe for their \$10,000 donation to the Tower Center at Unity Square Project. He also expressed his admiration of Bartlesville as a beautiful and unique city.

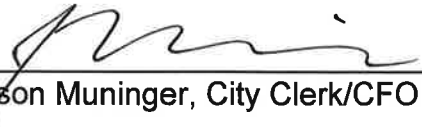
Mr. Dorsey stated his appreciation of all involved in the developing the project lists, adding that everyone here wants the best for the City.

Mayor Copeland agreed with his fellow councilmembers and added that not only does each councilmember look out for the needs of those who live in their wards, but they always consider what is best for the City overall.

9. There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Copeland adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.



Dale W. Copeland, Mayor



Jason Muninger, City Clerk/CFO

