

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

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BARTLESVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Monday, November 20, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Dale Copeland 918-338-4282

MINUTES

(The Notice of Meeting and Agenda was posted November 16, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.)

Present were Mayor Copeland, Vice Mayor Jim Curd, Jr. and Councilmembers Trevor Dorsey, Billie Roane and Loren Roszel.

City staff present were Mike Bailey, City Manager; Jess Kane, City Attorney; Jason Muninger, CFO/City Clerk; Matt McCollough, IT Director; Jerry Benedict, Golf Course Director; Shellie McGill, Library Director; Larry Curtis, Community Development Director; Investigation Captain Daniel Elkins, Security; and Elaine Banes, Executive Assistant.

- 1. The business meeting of the Bartlesville City Council was called to order by Mayor Copeland at 5:30 p.m.
- 2. Roll call was conducted and a quorum established.
- 3. The invocation was provided by Quinn Schipper.
- 4. Citizens to be heard.

Quinn Schipper encouraged citizens to volunteer on City committees. He commented on how approachable the City Council and City staff are to the public and stated his appreciation of that. He also commended them on the proposed amendments to the Charter and the possible approval of the City Council Handbook.

Eddie Collins stated his opposition to limiting citizen comments to 15 minutes in total, on changing when City Council elections are held, and on changing the term lengths. He also does not agree with the proposed recall changes.

Roger Box reported on his time as Chairman of the Charter Review Committee in 2009-2010 and how each amendment at that time was researched thoroughly prior to the election amending the Charter. He added that the amendments have worked well for the past 13 years. He asked the City Council to reject any changes to the Charter.

5. City Council Announcements and Proclamation.

There were no announcements or proclamations.

- 6. Authorities, Boards, Commissions and Committee Openings
 - One opening on the Ambulance Commission
 - Two openings on the Bartlesville Library Trust Authority
 - One opening on the Library Board

Mayor Copeland read the openings and encouraged citizens to volunteer on City Committees. Applications can be found at www.cityofbartlesville.org or at City Hall in the City Manager's Office.

7. Consent Docket

a. Approval of Minutes

i. The Regular Minutes of November 6, 2023.

b. Approval or Ratification of Appointments to Authorities, Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

- i. Appointment of Mr. Andrew Oleson to a three year term on the Park Board at the recommendation of Vice Mayor Curd.
- ii. Appointment of Mr. Joe Beffer to a three year term on the Community Center Trust Authority at the recommendation of Mayor Copeland.
- iii. Reappointment of Ms. Judith Ann Hill-Hildebrand for an additional two year term to the Adult Center Trust Authority at the recommendation of Mayor Copeland.

c. Approval of Agreements, Contracts, Engagement Letters

- i. Agreement between the City of Bartlesville/Bartlesville Public Library and the Oklahoma virtual Library Consortium for electronic materials purchases for the Library.
- ii. Development Agreement between the Delaware Tribe of Indians and the City of Bartlesville relating to funds for the improvement of the west half of Madison Boulevard north of Tuxedo Boulevard.

d. Approval of Resolution

i. Amending the budget of the City of Bartlesville for Fiscal Year 2023-24 appropriating Private Donations from multiple vendors for the Special Library Fund.

Mayor Copeland read the consent docket in its entirety. Mayor Copeland pulled Item 7.c.ii. for further discussion.

Vice Mayor Curd moved to approve the consent docket as presented except for Item 7.c.ii., seconded by Ms. Roane.

Voting Aye:

Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey, Vice Mayor Curd, Mayor Copeland

Voting Nay:
Motion:

None Passed

Item 7.c. Approval of Agreements, Contracts, Engagement Letters.

ii. Development Agreement between the Delaware Tribe of Indians and the City of Bartlesville relating to funds for the improvement of the west half of Madison Boulevard north of Tuxedo Boulevard.

Mr. Bailey explained how the Delaware Tribe will widen the road, then the City will provide the upgrade that was approved by voters. It is a good partnership that results in the best use of funds and a much improved project.

Mayor Copeland moved to approve Item7.c.ii. as presented, seconded by Mr. Roszel.

Voting Aye:

Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey, Vice Mayor Curd, Mr. Roszel, Mayor Copeland

Voting Nay:

None

Motion:

Passed

8. Discuss and take possible action to award Bid No. 2023-2024-011 for replacement of a LED signboard at Bartlesville Public Library. Presented by Councilmember Roszel.

Mr. Roszel provided information about the sign, adding that the sign is being funded by private library donations in the amount of \$13,969.91, a \$1000 grant from Rotary, a \$10,000 grant from AEP/PSO, and a grant from The Lyon foundation in the amount of \$24,969.92.

Ms. Roane moved to award Bid 2023-2024-011 to Claude Neon Federal Signs Tulsa, Oklahoma, in the amount of \$49,939.83 as presented, seconded by Mr. Dorsey.

Mr. Dorsey, Vice Mayor Curd, Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mayor Copeland Voting Aye:

Voting Nay: None Motion: Passed

9. Receive bids for the purchase of \$6,900,000 Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023 of the City and vote to award said Bonds to the lowest bidder complying with the notice of sale and instructions to bidders or to reject all bids.

Jericah Dawson, Municipal Finance Services, Inc. reported that the City Council approved the sale of bonds on October 16, 2023. Two bids were received today with Piper Sandler & Co. presented the best rate of 3.437508% for a nine year term. She reported that rates are about 25 basis points above last year but reported that it is still a good rate and that Bartlesville receives good rates due to responsible fund management and keeping a reserve fund. She concluded that this interest rate will also keep the City within its target 15 mil levy.

Mr. Dorsey moved to receive bids and to award the Bid to Piper Sandler & Co. as presented, seconded by Vice Mayor Curd.

Vice Mayor Curd, Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey, Mayor Copeland Voting Aye:

Voting Nay: None Motion: Passed

10. Discuss and take action to approve an Ordinance providing for the issuance of Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds. Series 2023 in the sum of \$6,900,000 by the City of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. authorized at an election duly called and held for such purpose; prescribing form of Bonds; providing for registration thereof; designating the Registrar for the issue; providing for levy of an annual tax for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and fixing other details of the issue; approving the forms of a Continuing Disclosure Agreement and an Official Statement; authorizing executions and actions necessary for the issuance and delivery of the Bonds; and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Roszel moved to adopt the Ordinance as presented, seconded by Ms. Roane.

Voting Ave: Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey, Vice Mayor Curd, Mayor Copeland

Voting Nay: None Motion: Passed

11. Discuss and take possible action on approving the emergency clause with respect to the proposed Ordinance in Item 10.

Ms. Roane moved to approve the emergency clause as presented, seconded by Vice Mayor Curd.

Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey, Vice Mayor Curd, Mr. Roszel, Mayor Copeland Voting Aye:

Voting Nay: None Motion: Passed

12. Discuss and take possible action on a recommendation from the Park Board to approve the installation of exhibits for the Bartlesville Interurban Railway at Robinwood Park and Pathfinder Parkway. Presented by Larry R. Curtis, Director, Community Development.

Mr. Curtis reported that the Bartlesville Interurban Railway operated from 1908 to 1920. Streetcars were popular in the United States during this time period, and Bartlesville had one of its own. It had a leg on the far western edge of town, a loop around downtown, and then continued northeast up to Dewey. During a street resurfacing project last month, part of the Bartlesville Interurban Railway was discovered under pavement at 9th Street and Delaware Street. Bricks and railing were removed and set aside for exhibition purposes in the Bartlesville Area History Museum and potential exhibits elsewhere in the City. In their regular October meeting, the Park Board discussed several locations and ultimately decided to recommend locating an exhibit within Robinwood Park, south of Silverlake Road at the northeastern edge of the parking lot. Park Board felt this location was appropriate because this part of Silverlake Road runs very close to the historic route of the Interurban Railway. The intention would be to have actual recovered brick and railing laid out to replicate its original configuration. There could also be a sign that that would provide historic context and information via QR code, similar to the one for the bridge in Johnstone Park. Additionally, Pathfinder Parkway is crossed in two locations by the historic route. Park Board also recommends memorializing the history of the railway at these locations by installing the bricks in their original configuration and stenciling in the railing.

A brief discussion was help covering how the project would be completed using in-house labor and funds from the Park budget; and how if it goes over budget, additional funding could be budgeted for it in the next fiscal year.

Vice Mayor Curd moved to approve the Park Board's recommendation for the exhibit to be placed in Robinwood Park and Pathfinder Parkway as presented, seconded by Ms. Roane.

Voting Aye:

Mr. Dorsey, Vice Mayor Curd, Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mayor Copeland

Voting Nay: Motion:

None Passed

13. Discuss and take possible action to approve the City Council Handbook as presented. Presented by Mike Bailey, City Manager.

Mr. Bailey reported that on October 16, 2023, the City Council reviewed and discussed the proposed City Council Handbook. As a review, accepted best practices for municipalities dictate that municipal governing boards should adopt some form of policy document to help guide the actions of the current, and perhaps more importantly, future Councils. This guidance helps to ensure consistency and stability for the organization that can endure beyond current leadership. The handbook allows for the formal adoption of best practices, rules, and expectations of conduct. Mr. Bailey reviewed the topics the handbook covers. During our October meeting, there was discussion about the strengths and weaknesses of the document and Council's preferences. After that meeting, Staff made several amendments to the document that should address most, if not all, of Council's concerns. The revisions covered: 1) Included a disclaimer that clarifies that sections that are not a restatement of law or policy do not establish policy or legal guidance. This disclaimer may be found on page 1 of the executive summary in the second paragraph. 2) Made changes throughout the document to modify the tone of the document. All efforts were made to ensure that the document does not diminish the Council's authority in the organization. 3) Various other improvements. Mr. Bailey added that a social media policy, once adopted, will be included in the Handbook, as well as meeting rules and Best Practices Resolutions. He also stated that adopting a City Council Handbook was included in the Bartlesville Strategic Plan previously approved by the City Council.

Mayor Copeland added that he felt the Handbook would be good for training and for reference for City Council members or those who may wish to become a City Council member. He stated his appreciation

of having all resolutions and regulations in one document. Ms. Roane added that she appreciated the effort made to lighten the tone from the previous draft. Mr. Roszel agreed the Handbook will be a good reference tool for City Council members.

Mr. Roszel moved to approve the Council Handbook as presented, seconded by Ms. Roane.

Voting Aye: Vice Mayor Curd, Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey, Mayor Copeland

Voting Nay: None Motion: Passed

14. Discuss and take possible action to approve a resolution establishing the Best Practices of the Bartlesville City Council. Presented by Mike Bailey, City Manager.

Mr. Bailey reported that on October 16, the City Council reviewed and discussed the proposed City Council Handbook, which was approved in the previous action item. One of the resolutions included as part of the Handbook is a Best Practice Resolution. It has been discussed as part of the Handbook presentations, and it must be adopted separately.

Mr. Roszel moved to approve the Resolution as presented, seconded by Mr. Dorsey.

Voting Ave: Mr. Roszel, Ms. Roane, Mr. Dorsey, Vice Mayor Curd, Mayor Copeland

Voting Nay: None Motion: Passed

15. Presentation and discussion of proposed amendments to the Bartlesville City Charter. Presented by Mike Bailey, City Manager.

Mr. Bailey began by appreciating the 2009-2010 Charter Committee and how important their work was to amend the Charter that has guided staff and Council for the past 13 years. He added that he respects the work the committee completed, as well as the vote of approval by citizens. Over time, staff and Council has become aware of how the Charter could be amended again and at a workshop meeting on October 16, 2023, they met to discuss several items related to governance of the City. Reviewing and bringing the Charter current is also part of the Strategic Plan approved by City Council. Staff proposed revisions are to Articles 2, 3, 4 and 16 relating to elections, recalls and purchasing. He reviewed the three separate redline proposals related to these charter amendments along with the reasoning behind each amendment, with Council discussion following each.

Art. 2 & 3 - shall be amended to provide changes to Council terms, election dates, and other miscellaneous items.

- Council terms shall be extended from two years to three years, allowing for more time to learn and to apply the knowledge and experience towards management of the budget and business operations of the City government.
- Council terms shall be staggered, so that no more than 2 council members' terms are expiring at the same time, which would eliminate the risk of a whole Council being voted out at the same time. Such action would impact the business of the City.
- Council election dates shall be moved from November to April. Mr. Bailey stated that having local elections with State and National elections provide for a larger turnout, but the turnout is not necessarily educated on or sometimes even aware of the municipal side of the election. He added that changing elections to April where it would likely coincide with school board elections would ensure that the voters are voting on matters that they are educated and aware of, although the numbers may be smaller. He also stated that this would increase election costs, but not substantially.
- Clarified that elections and campaigns are to be held on a non-partisan basis.

 He added that Article 2, Section 12 should be amended to change the time that newly elected city council members terms begin at 12:01 a.m. on the first Monday of the month following each City Council election. The Charter currently states 7 p.m. and meetings are now held at 5:30 p.m.

Discussion from each of the Council members began with Mayor Copeland stating that he agreed with longer and staggered terms. He said that with staggered terms, voters would have an election every year in one or more wards and have more input into who is serving. He added that he does not like the practice of partisanship campaigning but will leave it up to the voters. He agrees that there should not be a law stating they cannot announce their party affiliation.

Mr. Roszel stated that moving to a three year cycle is acceptable and he liked the staggered terms. He also agreed that he was good with moving elections April so as not to get lost in the larger national elections. He does agree that a candidate should represent and campaign in a nonpartisan way, but also believes that the City should not make a law to say that they cannot announce their party affiliation if they so desire.

Vice Mayor Curd stated that he agreed with the longer, staggered terms. He added that he does not approve of partisan campaigning, but if a candidate feels that it something they need to do, then he is okay with it.

Mr. Dorsey stated that he is in favor of staggered terms. He does not see a problem with the two-year term length but understands it would need to be changed to go to staggered terms. He agrees that there is a benefit of moving the election to April, even with a lower turnout.

Ms. Roane stated that she is in favor of longer, staggered terms. She added that she feels it is unethical to run a partisan campaign, but agrees there should not be a law stating that a candidate cannot state their affiliated party. She feels that if a candidate is moral and of good character, then that shows the citizens who you are without partisan campaigning.

<u>Art. 4</u> – shall be amended to clarify requirements, provide a reasonable timeline for completion, and other miscellaneous items.

- All signatures on a recall petition must be obtained within 90 days of the filing of the petition with the City Clerk. Mr. Bailey stated the current recall rules do not have a time-frame for the collection of signatures by a recall petitioner, therefore a Council member could have an active recall petition for their whole term and onward.
- City Clerk shall have 30 days to fulfill his legal duties described in our charter. The time frame for the City Clerk to validate each signature is now set at 10 days, which would not be enough time.
 If the City Clerk is not finished at the end of 10 days, the City would have to go before the District Court to request additional time.
- Council members cannot be recalled in the first or last four months of their term. Mr. Bailey stated
 that recalls during these two time scenarios does not allow for a City Council member to truly
 begin his tenure if recalled in the first four months, and at the end of his term to be recalled would
 be redundant since an election is imminent where the public has the opportunity to vote a
 candidate out of his office.

Discussion on Art. 4 began with Ms. Roane. She stated that she is not in favor of restricting the recall process but she does agree with the timeframe of obtaining petition signatures.

Mr. Roszel agrees that recall procedures should not be restricted but does agree with the timeframe of obtaining signatures. He added that he was not sure about the 90 day timeframe for the collection of signatures in a three-year term, that more time should be provided.

Vice Mayor Curd stated that he is in favor of recall but feels it must conducted in a way to allow Councilmembers to continue governing. He feels that six months to collect recall signatures may be too long and that 90 days would be reasonable. In regards to the signature verification timeline, he feels that 10 days for the City Clerk to verify signatures is not enough and that up to 30 days would be adequate.

Mayor Copeland agrees with the 30 day amendment for the City Clerk to verify signatures, and agrees with the amendment of not allowing recall action within the first four months and last four months of a council members term. He added that he agrees with the 90 time frame to collect signatures by a recall petitioner but would also be agreeable to 120/180 days.

Additional discussion covered how it is incumbent on the petitioner to verify signatures by signing an affidavit saying all signatures are correct; how there are no State regulations that address a timeframe for collection of signatures; and that perhaps a number between 90 days and 180 days could be agreed upon for recall petition signatures.

<u>Art. 14</u> – shall be amended to make purchasing and contracting more efficient and consistent throughout the organization.

- Authorizes Council to set a limit for City Manager's purchasing and contracting authority.
- Authorizes Staff to utilize purchasing consortiums that have been approved by Council to make purchases.
- Authorizes City Manager to sign contracts that do not exceed the limits established by Council.

Mr. Bailey reported that these amendments would bring contract procedures into alignment with purchase procedures. They would also allow the City Council to authorize the City Manager to sign contracts under certain amounts, as well as authorizing the City the use of purchasing consortiums. The amendments would allow more efficient and cost effective measures, as well as unifying purchasing under one standard. He added that contracts and bids for public improvements will remain the same due to the competitive bidding act.

Discussion on Art. 16 began with Mr. Roszel stating that these amendments are more an appropriation of authority. Mr. Bailey responded that delegation of authority already exists for contracts, but the delay is getting the contracts on an agenda to obtain Council approval and Mayoral signature. He confirmed that controls are in place, all contracts are reviewed by the City Attorney, and all controls are subject to an annual audit. Mr. Roszel stated that he is not opposed to the amendments to Art. 14, but would like to do more research on how other municipalities handle this.

Mr. Bailey concluded that the proposed amendments to the Charter have been reviewed by the City Attorney, but Staff and the City Attorney would like to engage a firm to review these proposals and draft all necessary documents to place these items on the April 2024 election. A resolution to move forward and call an election would need to be approved at the February 5, 2024 City Council meeting.

Vice Mayor Curd stated his appreciation of the 2010 Charter Review Committee. He added that Mr. Bailey's meeting with the Chairman of that committee, Roger Box, next week will be valuable to obtain his perspective and research obtained during the last Charter review. Ms. Roane and Mr. Roszel agreed. Diminished volunteerism was discussed briefly. Mr. Roszel stated that the Charter is a living document like many laws and from time to time may need improvement to fit with changing times. His wish is that the amendments be reasonable and not try solve a problem that may not exist.

No action was taken.

16. Presentation and discussion of proposed changes to the City Council Public Comment Policy. Presented by Mike Bailey, City Manager.

Mr. Bailey reported that on December 5, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution 3661 establishing a format and rules of order for the conduct of City Council meetings. This resolution replaced all previous resolutions relating to this topic with major changes from previous meetings rules were relating to public comment. He reviewed Resolution 3661 which attempted to clarify guidance for public comment and place additional rules. These rules are deficient in a few areas such as there are no rules of behavior for citizens participating in public comment, and "Citizens to be Heard" allows for citizens to address the Council on any topic. Due to these deficiencies, it can lead to unintentional violations of the Open Meetings Act (OMA). He added that while most citizens conduct themselves with the decorum expected in a City Council business meeting, the growing amount of disrespect and distrust for all government officials is leading to behavior that would have been unacceptable a few years ago. In order to create an environment where citizens and officials may share comments, thoughts, and ideas, clear expectations should be established for behavior of parties participating in our meetings. As such, the proposed policy provides rules for participation. As the City Council meeting is a limited public forum, and in fact a business meeting, the Council is within its rights to establish and enforce these rules. The rules are simple and non-restrictive. He reviewed the existing rules as well as the proposed new rules as follows: Existing rules are that participation is limited to citizens or those living within 10 miles of City Hall, time shall be limited to 3 minutes for the entire Council meeting, and participation in public hearings shall not count against this time limit, speakers shall have 3 minutes for each public hearing. New proposed rules include the existing rules and add that speakers shall address all comments to the Mayor, speakers shall follow the Mayor's instructions, speakers shall not denigrate individuals or organizations, speakers shall not use violent, profane, obscene, defamatory, or fraudulent speech, speakers shall adhere to time limits, and speakers shall stay on topic.

Mr. Bailey continued stating that the more concerning deficiency in the current rules is that the Council allows comment on any topic which could lead to OMA violations. Most cities with well-run meetings have either eliminated citizens to be heard entirely or limited comment under this section to items on the agenda. The proposed policy would split citizen participation into 3 categories:

- <u>"Public Comment on Agenda Items"</u> will replace our current "Citizens to be Heard" at the beginning of our meeting. It will allow our citizens to comment on any agenda item before they are considered by Council. This practice aligns with the purpose of our Council meetings, since these are business meetings of the City Council. Town halls are another type of meeting altogether where off agenda comments are appropriate.
- <u>"Public Hearings"</u> are defined by State law and will be held whenever required. Comments during Public Hearings are always restricted to the agenda item.
- <u>"Citizen Agenda Items"</u> is a new addition to our meeting agendas. In order to comply with the Open Meetings Act, there should be no discussion that is not included on an agenda posted in accordance with State law.
 - This item will occur last on our agenda. o Citizens must request to be included on the agenda in advance.
 - Citizens must obtain a Council member sponsor. o Mayor will determine what Citizen Agenda Items will be included.
 - Items must relate to City business not already included on an agenda within the last year.

The proposed policy also includes forms necessary to enact this policy. If Council wishes for Staff to proceed with the preparation of the final documents, then clean copies will be returned at a future meeting for Council's consideration. The City Council Handbook will be amended by inserting the new resolution, policy, and forms. Mr. Bailey concluded that staff believes that the proposed resolution and policy provides an excellent balance between efficiency, State law, and citizen participation. Similar (and

sometimes more restrictive) rules have already been adopted in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Broken Arrow, Owasso, and others major cities in our region.

Mayor Copeland agreed with the amendments stating that there have been instances in the past that citizens use the citizens to be heard portion of a meeting for a personal platform not related to City business. Mr. Bailey agreed restating that Council meetings are business meetings, not a public forum.

Ms. Roane stated that she appreciates the proposal that citizens can ask for an item to be placed on the agenda for discussion. She added that usually citizen issues can be handled with a phone call or email, but if not, she is in favor of allowing them this opportunity,

Mr. Roszel agrees that Council meeting are business meetings and that business must be attended to. He also feels the Council has a responsibility to hear citizens and their issues. He contacted associates who sit on various boards and stated that he feels the school board handles this issue well. They have a citizens to be heard regarding agenda items and then at the end of the meeting they allow for an open forum. Mr. Bailey stated that what is included in the proposal. Mr. Roszel stated that City Council members have to remain cognizant of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act rules, and stated that if a citizen cannot speak at meeting, then they will email the Council which increases the risk of violating the OMA laws particularly with a "respond all" response. He is in favor of the proposals, but he does not feel the 15 minute time limit should remain. Mayor Copeland stated that he feels the 15 minutes time limit should remain in the event it is needed. It can always be expanded by the Council.

Vice Mayor Curd stated that he feels the system that is now in place has not been a problem. For the most part, citizens have been civil, and he feels making them "jump through hoops" to address the Council is not something he agrees with. He stated that he appreciates the work and understands the drive to make it more organized, but feels the only addition should be about behavior.

Mayor Copeland stated that some people may not be aware of why the Council cannot respond to inquiries which is defined in the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. He encourages citizens to come before the Council and state their concerns as action to the concern usually happens pretty quickly. He added that it does not go unnoticed when citizens come and spend their Monday evenings attending meetings. He agrees that there is value in setting standards in behavior, and agrees with having citizen comments regarding City related concerns at the end of the meeting. In addition, having citizens provide paperwork and having staff involvement may be good if they have a specific item to be discussed.

Mr. Roszel agreed that citizens who wish to have their item added to an agenda, with Council sponsorship, may be a good way to learn what the Council can and can't do, or the problem/concern could be handled more immediately.

Mr. Bailey concluded saying he will take Council's input and prepare a new proposal for review. Mr. Roszel stated that his not opposed to the proposal with exception to the 15 minute rule, since it is rarely if ever utilized. Mayor Copeland stated that the rule has been in place for a long time, and provides a decision of needed.

No action was taken.

17. City Manager and Staff Reports.

There were no further reports provided.

18. City Council Comments and Inquiries.

Ms. Roane reminded citizens of the many Christmas events coming up over the next few weeks and encouraged everyone to participate.

Vice Mayor Curd stated that he appreciated the speakers who shared their comments with the Council.

Mayor Copeland added how much everyone has to be thankful for in Bartlesville commenting on the well-attended Veterans Day parade, the Wreath Memorial at White Rose Cemetery, and encouraged citizens to use the City website to gain good information. He ended by reminding citizens that those who have Thursday trash routes, that their refuse will be picked up on Wednesday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

19. There being no further business to address, Mayor Copeland adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Jason Muninger, CFO/City Clerk

Dale