

December 17, 2008

A special meeting was held December 17, 2008 at 6:00 p.m., Buffalo Public Library, 11 E. Turner Street, Buffalo, Oklahoma

Present: Georganna Buss, Mayor; Susan Harper, Trustee; Chance Brown, Trustee; Alan Bishop, Trustee; Linda Johnson, Clerk; Lea Buss, Treasurer; Joe McVicker, City Manager; James Leonard, Economic Development; Garrett Miller, Myers Engineering; Bill Kropf & Kenny Ground, DEQ; Bob Bayne; Roger Summars; Dave & Alexis Thompson; Bill Buss; Greg Harper; Lewis Carpenter; Robin Daley

Special meeting called to order at 6:04 p.m. Quorum present.

Bill Kropf and Kenny Ground with the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality and Garrett Miller with Myers Engineering were present to discuss the wastewater system. DEQ drafted a proposed voluntary consent order and presented the Board with an unofficial copy. The following are items to be addressed:

1. The responsible party shall immediately repair the lift station and all appurtenances.
2. The RP shall immediately repair the breach of any dike in the facility, clean up the bypass, and route the flow of wastewater as it was originally intended.
3. The RP shall submit a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) valued at \$ _____ by February 1, 2009. (Do not know value of SEP at this time)
4. The RP shall remove all excess vegetation from the facility by May 1, 2009.
5. The RP shall repair all dikes back to the specifications when the system was originally built by June 1, 2009.
6. The RP shall complete a SEP by February 1, 2010

DEQ is not addressing the capacity issues at this time.

Garrett Miller with Myers Engineering will prepare a capacity study for 13 acres.

Brown, seconded by Buss, made the motion to approve making retroactive to December 1, 2008 the cost of living increase for all of the city employees acted on by the Board on December 3, 2008. The vote was Brown, aye; Buss, aye; Bishop, aye; and Harper, aye.

Harper, seconded by Brown, made the motion to approve and adopt the Notice of Election Resolution. The vote was Harper, aye; Brown, aye; Bishop, aye; and Buss, aye.

Bishop, seconded by Harper, made the motion to adopt a resolution for the sale of oil and gas lease described as the SE/4SW/4 and SE/4SE/4 of Section 10, Township 27N, Range 24, Harper County, Oklahoma. The vote to adopt Resolution No. 2008-9 was Bishop, aye; Harper, aye; Buss, aye; and Brown, aye.

Brown, seconded by Bishop, made the motion to appoint Hazel England to fill a vacancy on the library board. The vote was Brown, aye; Bishop, aye; Buss, aye; and Harper, aye.

Discussion & possible action on the west library roof repairs was placed on the agenda by mistake. No action was taken.

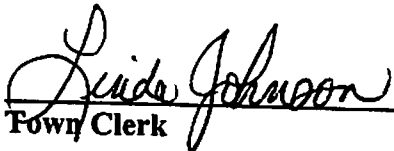
Harper, seconded by Bishop, made the motion to close City Hall early on December 24, 2008, at 1 pm and December 31, 2008, at 12 pm. The vote was Harper, aye; Bishop, aye; Buss, aye; and Brown, aye.

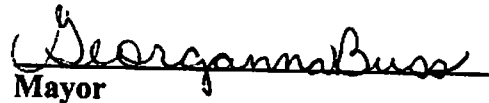
An update was given on the professional office space project at City Hall. No action taken.

Appearances from the audience and governing body remarks:

Greg Harper expressed his concerns about capacity at the wastewater/sewer plant and discussed Supplemental Environmental Project possibilities. Roger Summars asked about the risers for the manholes. Robin Daley encouraged discussion among citizens and also that citizens discuss issues with their board members. Harper and Brown asked that citizens please come to the Board with their concerns. The Board can then investigate the concerns so that informed decisions can be made. McVicker commented about DEQ's inspection and the free board issue.

Bishop, seconded by Harper, made the motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. The vote to adjourn was Brown, aye; Bishop, aye; Buss, aye; and Harper, aye.


Linda Johnson
Town Clerk


Deanna Buss
Mayor