

**Minutes of the Claremore City Council Regular Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall, 104 S. Muskogee Ave.
Claremore, Oklahoma December 23, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Deputy Mayor Bill Flanagan at 6:00 P.M.

Deputy Mayor Bill Flanagan asked Deputy City Clerk Karen Clay to note that members are present/absent as indicated below:

Present: Terry Willis, Buddy Robertson, Mark Lepak, Bill Flanagan, Brian Callender, Don Purkey, David McComb

Absent: Paula Watson

Staff Present: Jim Thomas, Matt Ballard, Karen Clay, Tim White, Larry Hughes, Daryl Golbek

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Lepak, second by Purkey to approve the agenda for the special Council meeting of December 23, 2013, as written. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

- **Deputy Mayor Bill Flanagan spoke on behalf of himself, the City Council, and City Employees, expressing his condolences to the Perry family on behalf of the loss of Mayor Mickey Perry last week.**
- **City Manager Jim Thomas notated that Councilor Watson contacted him earlier in the day to notify him that she was ill and regrettably would not be in attendance at the meeting this evening.**

ITEMS UNFORESEEN AT THE TIME AGENDA WAS POSTED

None

CURRENT BUSINESS

(1) Vote to confirm appointment of Bill Flanagan to the vacant Mayoral seat for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Motion by Lepak, second by Callender to confirm the appointment of Bill Flanagan to the vacant Mayoral seat for the remainder of the unexpired term. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Flanagan was sworn in by District Judge Sheila Condren.

(2) Vote to elect a Deputy Mayor from among the City Council members.

Motion by Lepak, second by Purkey to elect Terry Willis as Deputy Mayor. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

(3) Discussion and vote to declare the Ward IV City Council seat vacant and possible action to take any steps deemed necessary to fill the vacant seat, including discussion and vote to approve the procedure for filling the vacancy.

City Attorney Matt Ballard explained that due to Mayor Perry's passing, and Deputy Mayor Flanagan being appointed to the Mayoral position, that leaves Flanagan's Ward IV seat vacant. By Charter the Council has 30 days to appoint someone to the position to fill the remainder of the term or a special election must be held.

Motion by Willis, second by Lepak to declare the Ward IV City Council seat vacant and to accept letters of interest from candidates until noon on January 10th and to conduct a Special Meeting on Monday, January 13th to interview candidates and possibly fill the vacant seat. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Willis, second by Lepak to adjourn. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

**Minutes of the Claremore Public Works Authority Special Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall, 104 S. Muskogee Ave.
Claremore, Oklahoma December 23, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Bill Flanagan at 6:15 P.M.

Mayor Bill Flanagan asked Deputy City Clerk Karen Clay to note that members are present/absent as indicated below:

Present: Terry Willis, Buddy Robertson, Mark Lepak, Bill Flanagan, Brian Callender, Don Purkey, David McComb

Absent: Paula Watson

Staff Present: Jim Thomas, Matt Ballard, Karen Clay, Tim White, Larry Hughes, Daryl Golbek

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Willis, second by Lepak to approve the agenda for the special CPWA meeting of December 23, 2013, as written. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

- **City Manager Jim Thomas notated that Councilor Watson contacted him earlier in the day to notify him that she was ill and regrettably would not be in attendance at the meeting this evening.**
- **City Manager Jim Thomas wanted to thank Larry Hughes and the Electric Department for all of their hard work and long hours they put in over the weekend to get electric restored due to the ice.**

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None

CURRENT BUSINESS

- (1) Discussion and vote to approve services agreement with GE Energy Management Services, Inc. for advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) technologies and services.

City Manager Jim Thomas- Last week Matt Ballard, Larry Hughes, Daryl Golbek, and myself went over the 117 page contract for 3 days with GE. We believe this is in the best interest of the City. Claremore is going in the right direction, and this is the right technology. This is a good contract that protects the City and the residents. This is a 10 year lease. There is an escalation provision in the contract. The fiscal impact will never be greater than \$10,000 a year, and there is no interest. Our current system will be

running simultaneously with the GE system until it is fully operational. The City will not pay a dime until the new system is fully operational and is turned over to us.

Motion by Willis, second by Lepak to approve the services agreement with GE Energy Management Services, Inc. for advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) technologies and services. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Purkey, second by Willis to adjourn. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and McComb, yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.