

**Minutes of the Claremore City Council Special Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall, 104 S. Muskogee Ave.
Claremore, Oklahoma January 13, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

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

Mayor Bill Flanagan asked City Clerk Sarah Sharp to note that members are present/absent as indicated below:

Present: Terry Willis, Buddy Robertson, Mark Lepak, Bill Flanagan,
Brian Callender, Don Purkey, Paula Watson

Absent: David McComb

Staff Present: Jim Thomas, Matt Ballard, Sarah Sharp, Stan Brown, Ron Burrows,
Jill Ferenc

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Willis, second by Purkey to approve the agenda for the special City Council meeting of January 13, 2014, as written. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and Watson, yes. Motion carried.

ITEMS UNFORESEEN AT THE TIME AGENDA WAS POSTED

None

CURRENT BUSINESS

(1) Discussion and action to fill the vacant Ward IV Councilor seat for the remainder of the unexpired term or until the next City election, including (1) review and possible interview of candidates, (2) discussion regarding candidates, (3) vote to appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy, (4) vote to call for a special election to fill the seat, and/or (5) any other action deemed necessary to fill the vacant seat.

Candidates Will DeMier, Jeff Godwin, and Van Robinson were excused to the Conference Room until their turn to be interviewed. Candidates were then interviewed in alphabetical order.

Each candidate was asked to tell the Council about themselves and were then asked questions by Council.

Motion by Lepak, second by Robertson to nominate Will Demier to fill the vacant Ward IV Councilor seat for the remainder of the unexpired term or until the next City election.

Substitute motion by Purkey to nominate Jeff Godwin to fill the vacant Ward IV Councilor seat for the remainder of the unexpired term or until the next City election. Substitute motion died for lack of a second.

Original motion was then voted on:

Motion by Lepak, second by Robertson to nominate Will Demier to fill the vacant Ward IV Councilor seat for the remainder of the unexpired term or until the next City election. Roll call vote: Willis, yes; Robertson, yes; Lepak, yes; Flanagan, yes; Callender, yes; Purkey, yes; and Watson, 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 Watson, yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 P.M.