

MINUTES

CITY OF WARR ACRES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY
AUGUST 16, 2022
6:00 P.M.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Declaration of a quorum present was given. The Flag salute and the Invocation was given by Mayor Mickley.

ROLL CALL

Present

Mayor Jim Mickley
Vice-Mayor Roger Godwin
Councilman John Knipp
Councilman Jim Von Thaer
Councilwoman Judy Myers
Councilman Jon Evans
Councilman Mike Schmidt
Councilman William Tucker

Absent

Councilman Donnie Ryan

STAFF PRESENT

Matt Love, City Attorney
Roger Patty, Police Chief
Stephen Coy, Fire Chief
Pamela McDowell-Ramirez, Clerk/Treasurer
Mike Turman, Public Works Director
Craig Wallace, City Engineer
Marc Long, City Planner

Before Item 2 Mayor Mickley read a statement about the Bond issues:

We have paid our portion of the MacArthur project and it will soon be done with striping to be done on Thursday and all of the lanes opening next week. We had some items that went over and some that went under but on the whole bond issue we came in at or under budget. And we came in under our timeline. We built 3 buildings, and did 8.2 million dollars' worth of street improvements, partially with an 80% matching federal grant. Not bad for a 12-million-dollar bond issue. Everything was done in the 3-year timeline that we were given to complete the bond issue. Separately we totally remodeled city hall into a beautiful new building also under budget and on time. We received the best interest rate (2.7%) on the bonds that we could have possibly hoped for. We got a better interest rate than OKC a week later for a much larger amount. We bid our projects out at a guaranteed maximum cost to us. Therefore, we could not be charged any more than the bid price even if costs went up and they did. Tremendously. If we tried to do

this today, either the fire or the police building would have to be left out of the bond issue. We had impeccable timing. The rates to our citizens will continue to go down each year as we go through the bond issue yearly and are exactly where we promised our citizens at the beginning of the bond issue. Everything has gone exactly as planned. This project was all done legally, within budget and as promised. I could not be more pleased with the outcome. This project took us from the 60's to the current day. Investors that would not give us the time of day are now looking at Warr Acres intently and there are many things in the works. We have a current and functioning modern police department, a new state of the art fire station, and an animal shelter that we no longer have to apologize for. We did significantly more streets than we promised and MacArthur will soon be a showplace for our city. Both north and southbound lanes will be open next week. They will still have some minor work but the lanes will be open. I would like to thank our current council and also Glen Lipinski and Kim Alsup and Bo Broadwater from our previous council who all worked hard to get this under way. Our department heads, our architect, our construction company and our council have done a phenomenal job. I would especially like to say a very big thank you to the citizens of Warr Acres for your help and your dedication to make this dream come true. If not for your approval we would still be in the old run-down buildings built in the 60's. For those that voted against this bond issue I hope that you can find solace in knowing that everything was done legally, ethically, and above board and exactly as promised and that you can now see that great things were accomplished. We have come a long way from the first very controversial town hall meeting to the closing out of this bond issue. Thank you for putting up with our construction noise and dust and detours. I hope you agree that everything was worth the inconvenience. We were a diamond in the rough but we are now a city shining brightly.

2. CONSENT DOCKET: (individual items may be deleted from the consent docket for discussion and action under #3.)

A. Approval of the minutes from the Regular meeting of July 19, 2022. ****

B.	Approval of Expenditures ****	General Fund	\$222,177.36
		Emergency Fund	\$ 16,539.28
		CIP Fund	\$ 34,103.95
		Sewer Line Fund	\$ 9,172.80

C. Approval of Actual Expenditures for July 2022 and Proposed Expenditures for August 2022. ****

D. Sales Tax History Report. ****

E. Approval to surplus one Copystar Copier CS 551ci, serial number 00399.

F. Approval of a supplemental appropriation of unappropriated funds in CIP for \$42,762.83 to cover the remaining Public Safety Projects cost that could not be taken from the Bond funds. ****

Councilman Schmidt asked what could not be taken out of the bond funds.
Clerk/Treasurer Ramirez stated that it wasn't anything specific she had to split some invoices between CIP and Bond to be able to use what was left in the Bond fund.

Motion by Schmidt, second by Knipp to approve A-F of the consent docket. Poll vote: Von Thayer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action on items removed from the consent docket.

Moot.

4. Receive reports from Staff: Police Chief, Fire Chief, City Clerk, City Attorney, Public Works Director, City Engineer, City Planner. ****

Turman-they have received over 200 line locates from OG&E they are replacing poles throughout the city.

Wallace-ACOG is looking for projects.

Long-3 applications under review.

5. Update on the recycling using Replenish. *Schmidt/Myers*

Councilwoman Myers told the council that the owner of Replenish and his wife were present and helped and explained to everyone how the system works. She said it went very well and they collected lots of bags of recyclables. Councilman Schmidt said there are some things that need to be figured out such as spacing and who will be responsible. He thanked Mike for his help and for the labels. Barbara Harris said for the last 13 years has been just three ladies doing all of the recycling, the biggest problem she sees is administration. She said they had 40 cars over the 2 hours, everyone was happy, not negative comments. She said she wishes all the council would come out and see how it works.

6. Discussion and possible action to approve Thunder Towing to be on the police wrecker rotation. *Patty* ****

Chief Patty stated that he checked everything out and he recommends adding Thunder to the rotation.

Motion by Schmidt, second by Knipp to approve adding Thunder Towing to the police wrecker rotation. Poll vote: Von Thayer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

7. Discussion and possible action on condemnation and/or demolition of a house located at 6025 NW 57th Street. *Woodard/Turman* *****

Mayor Mickley stated the property has been cleaned up and looks better than it has in years. He said at this time he would like to pull the item to give the new owners time to get all the paperwork through the courts.

8. Discussion and possible action on a new Fingerprint scanner and software for the Police department in the amount of \$12,627.32. Money to come from the CIP budget for Police Computers. *Patty* *****

Chief Patty stated that he was going to put this on for CIP budget next year, however, OSBI updated their system and now ours is not compatible. We have money left in our computer budget in CIP so he is asking to replace it now.

Motion by Tucker, second by Von Thaer to authorize the Chief to purchase the new Fingerprint scanner and software. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

9. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of the bid from AAA Playground Corporation for park equipment for all parks in the amount of \$250,000 and authorize the PWD to make said purchase. *Turman* *****

Mayor Mickley stated that he and Mike Turman had been working on this for a long time and Mike had gotten with professionals for help and had spent numerous hours on this. We only received one bid. He said that we received very good pricing and the owner of the manufacturing company is related to the lady Grandma's Park is named after. Craig is working on a grant that would reimburse up to 50%. Councilman Godwin thanked Mike for all his work on this.

Motion by Godwin, second by Knipp to accept the bid and purchase the equipment. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

10. Discussion and possible action to accept a sanitary sewer easement from Vaquero 5930 OKC Partnership, LP. *Long* *****

Planner Long stated that this is something that is needed and that everything checks out. This is where Jack in the Box is going.

Motion by Tucker, second by Godwin to accept the easement. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

11. Discussion and possible action authorizing the City to participate in the State's Opioid Distributors Oklahoma Settlement Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Certain Opioid Litigation Proceeds with the State of Oklahoma, including authorizing the Mayor to execute any necessary documents to such effectuate the agreement and memorandum for the benefit of the City including, but not limited to, the political subdivision Settlement Participation Form. *Love* *****

Attorney Love the reason there is not much information in the packet is it just came in on Thursday and the State has to have it back but the 30th. Not exactly sure what all can be spent on but 85% has to be spent on Opioid remediation, some things we know can spend it on is Narcan, can use some to train police and fire on Opioid abuse, community programs with companies that provide treatment plans and also training in the schools. The State will have an advisory board. The State is receiving \$22 million for political sub-divisions and our share is around \$127,000. We need to get clarification on the 85%, and it sounds like the other 15% could be spent on anything, but we don't know that yet. Is free money that we can put back into the community and if we turn it down it goes back to the Feds. Councilman Knipp asked if there was a time frame on expending the funds and the answer was it does not say.

Motion by Godwin, second by Schmidt to authorize the city to participate. Poll vote: Von Thayer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, nay; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed.

12. Questions and Comments from Council.

Von Thayer thanked all the city employees for the jobs they do.

Myers thank you trashy ladies for all you have done the last 14 years, thank you Police and Fire and congrats to Chief Coy on new baby boy.

Evans glad the new recycling system works and hopes will get better.

Schmidt thanks to Thunder Towing, thanks Mike and his guys getting everything for the recycling, thanks trashy friends, thanks Mayor.

Knipp thanks to all the city employees for the great jobs they do.

Godwin Festival September 10th, almost have everything finalized with sister city, Abancay, Peru; thank you recycling ladies for all the years of doing that, in the spring would like to do an international festival to make Warr Acres a destination place, small cities all over the state have all kinds of festivals that bring thousands of people to their

cities. Next week he will be back in Africa meeting with the administrator of a town called Mafeteng, Lesotho to expand the sister city program with Warr Acres and the world.

Tucker echo what everyone else said.

13. Adjournment.

Motion by Knipp, second by Tucker to adjourn. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela McDowell-Ramirez
City Clerk/Treasurer

MINUTES

**CITY OF WARR ACRES
PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY MEETING
TUESDAY
AUGUST 16, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

(Immediately following completion of the regularly scheduled City Council meeting)

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:43 p.m. Declaration of a quorum present was given.

ROLL CALL

Present

Chairman Jim Mickley
Vice-Chairman Roger Godwin
Trustee John Knipp
Trustee Jim Von Thaer
Trustee Judy Myers
Trustee Mike Schmidt
Trustee Jon Evans
Trustee Willian Tucker

Absent

Trustee Donnie Ryan

2. CONSENT DOCKET: (individual items may be deleted from the consent docket for discussion and action under #3.)
 - A. Approve the minutes of the Warr Acres Public Works Authority Meeting of July 19, 2022. ****
 - B. Approve payment of claim in the amount of \$59,897.30 to the Bethany-Warr Acres Public Works Authority for the Warr Acres portion of the Joint Trust and Bond Retirement for the month of July, 2022. ****
 - C. Approval of payment of claims for the Sewer department in the amount of \$836.31.

Motion by Evans, second by Knipp to approve A-C of the consent docket. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action on items removed from the consent docket.

Moot.

4. Adjournment.

Motion by Knipp, second by Schmidt to adjourn. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela McDowell-Ramirez
City Clerk/Treasurer

MINUTES

**CITY OF WARR ACRES
SPECIAL
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
TUESDAY
AUGUST 16, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

(Immediately following completion of the regularly scheduled City Council and Public Works Authority meetings)

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:44 p.m. Declaration of a quorum present was given.

ROLL CALL

Present

Chairman Jim Mickley
Vice-Chairman Roger Godwin
Trustee John Knipp
Trustee Jim Von Thaer
Trustee Judy Myers
Trustee Mike Schmidt
Trustee Jon Evans
Trustee Willian Tucker

Absent

Trustee Donnie Ryan

2. CONSENT DOCKET: (individual items may be deleted from the consent docket for discussion and action under #3.)
 - A. Approve the minutes of the Economic Development Authority meeting of July 19, 2022 *****
 - B. Approval of payment of claims in the amount of \$500.00.

Motion by Godwin, second by Tucker to approve A and B of the consent docket. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action on items removed from the consent docket.

Moot.

4. Adjournment.

Motion by Mickley, second by Godwin to adjourn. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Evans, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Godwin, yea; Tucker, yea; and Mickley, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela McDowell-Ramirez
City Clerk/Treasurer