



Minutes

09.10.2024

A. MEETING CONVENED

1. CALL TO ORDER *by Chairman at 6:33PM.*
2. ROLL CALL:
Michael Scalf, Mayor ~ Present
Chuck Kemper, Vice Mayor ~ Present
Christina Short, Councilor ~ Present
Ben Whitt, Councilor ~ Present
Albert Ryans, Councilor ~ Present
3. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM: *5 ~ Present, 0 ~ Absent*

Staff Present:

Robert Floyd-City Manager
Audra Scott-City Clerk
Kenny Sullivan, Engineer
David Perryman, City Attorney
Dustin Downey, Capital Projects Manager
Charlie Largent, Fire Chief
Steve Rhodes, Police Chief

News Media: Tony Strickland, The Blanchard News

B. BUSINESS AGENDA

THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) ARE HEREBY DESIGNATED FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND TAKE INDIVIDUAL ACTION, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, APPROVAL, DENIAL, AMENDMENT, REVISION, OR CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, IN WHOLE OR IN PART OF:

1. ORDINANCE.

Discuss and vote on a motion adopting an Ordinance No. ____ amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Section 22-107 of Article One (1) of Chapter Twenty-two (22) of the Code of Ordinances, as amended, concerning exceptions to the Subdivision Regulation; declaring repealer; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.

Councilor Short moved to adopt Ordinance No. 824, as presented. Councilor Ryans seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf

0 ~ Nays: None

0 ~ Absent: None

2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

Discuss and vote on a motion approving said Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. ____.

Councilor Ryans moved to adopt Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. 824. Councilor Short seconded the said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf

0 ~ Nays: None

0 ~ Absent: None

3. ORDINANCE.

Discuss and vote on a motion adopting Ordinance No. ____ amending Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances, adding a new Section 4-209, providing requirements for permitting all alteration of ground cover within the City Limits of the City of Blanchard; repealing any ordinances or parts of ordinances that are in conflict; declaring repealer; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.

Councilor Short moved to adopt Ordinance No. 825, as presented. Councilor Ryans seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

Discuss and vote on a motion approving said Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. ____.

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to approve Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. 825. Councilor Short seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

5. ORDINANCE.

Discuss and vote on a motion adopting Ordinance No. ____ amending Sections 21-724 thru 21-728 of Article Seven (7) of Chapter Twenty-One (21) of the Code of Ordinances of Blanchard, Oklahoma, as amended; amending the regulations of the residential zoning districts; declaring repealer; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.

Councilor Short moved to adopt Ordinance No. 826, as presented. Councilor Whitt seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

Discuss and vote on a motion adopting said Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. ____.

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to approve Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. 826. Councilor Short seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

7. ORDINANCE.

Discuss and vote on a motion adopting Ordinance No.____ amending certain Sections within Article One (1) of Chapter Fifteen (15); Articles Seven (7), Nine (9) and Ten (10) of Chapter Twenty-One (21); and Articles One (1) and Three (3) of Chapter Twenty-Two (22) of the Code of Ordinances, as amended, concerning fees for development activity; declaring repealer; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.

Councilor Short moved to adopt Ordinance No. 827, as presented. Councilor Whitt seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

8. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

Discuss and vote on a motion adopting said Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. ____.

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to approve Emergency Clause for Ordinance No. 827. Councilor Ryans seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

9. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-____ accepting CENA Grant in the amount of \$13,000.00.

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-66, as presented. Councilor Whitt seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: *Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf*
0 ~ Nays: *None*
0 ~ Absent: *None*

10. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-____ accepting bids for the repair of the signal lite at Main and US-62 and award the contract to TSC Inc:

a.	Midstate Traffic, OKC	\$ No Bid
b.	TLS Group Inc, OKC	\$18,912.03*
c.	SignalTek, Tulsa	\$ No Bid

Council Whitt moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-67, as presented. Vice Mayor Kemper seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: *Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf*
0 ~ Nays: *None*
0 ~ Absent: *None*

11. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-____ accepting OMAG's recommendation denying Tort Claim as follows:

Claimant: Jamie Hendrix
Address: 18715 320th Street
Date of Loss: July 7, 2024
Alleged Incident: Damage to 2022 Honda Pilot

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-68 accepting recommendation by OMGA to deny Tort Claim. Councilor Ryans seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

*5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None*

12. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-69 approving the BUDGET SUPPLEMENT amending the FYE2025 Budget in the amount of \$112,535.20 for the purpose of hiring two (2) new fire fighters for the City of Blanchard.

Councilor Ryans moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-69 approving Budget Supplement with corrections. Councilor Short seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

*5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None*

13. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-70 approving the BUDGET SUPPLEMENT amending the FYE2025 Budget in the amount of \$329,230 for the purpose of paying certain pay raises.

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-70 approving Budget Supplement as presented. Councilor Short seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

*5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None*

14. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-71 approving the Agreement with ODOT for the Bridge Replacement on 85th just west of OK-76.

*Councilor Whitt moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-71, as presented.
Councilor Short seconded said motion.*

Motion Carried:

***5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None***

15. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-72 approving the DEQ Permit Applications submitted by Ideal Homes for water and sewer to serve Section 6 of Oasis Ranch.

*Councilor Whitt moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-72, as presented.
Vice Mayor Kemper seconded said motion.*

Motion Carried:

***5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None***

16. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-73 requesting ODOT to study a 2-mile corridor from County Line Road west to Sara Road along U.S. 62, all in Grady County, in reducing the speed limit; adding a middle turn lane; and signalize the intersection of US-62 and Morgan Road.

*Councilor Short moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-73, as presented.
Councilor Ryans seconded said motion.*

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf

0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

17. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-74 accepting a fire grant in the amount of \$10,017.32 granted by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry.

Councilor Short moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-74, as presented. Vice Mayor Kemper seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

18. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-75 approving an application for a water/sewer permit to serve the new Allsup's Convenience Store in Blanchard.

Councilor Whitt moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-75 approving the water permit to go to DEQ contingent upon addressing items highlighted by plan review. Vice Mayor Kemper seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

19. RESOLUTION.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-76 requesting ODOT to consider lowering the speed limit on Oklahoma Highway 76 from 65 to 55mph between 85th NW south approximately 4.28 miles to City Hall.

Councilor Ryans moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-76, as presented. Vice Mayor Kemper seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

20. FIRE MARSHAL Resolution 2024-77.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: adopting Resolution No. 2024-77 authorizing the City's Fire Marshal to carry a weapon while on duty in compliance with Title 11 O.S. _____.

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-77, contingent upon CLEET Certification. Councilor Whitt seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

21. PAYMENT OF INVOICE.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: approving for payment of an invoice submitted by SWH Construction in the amount of \$14,437.06 or material costs of \$12,030.88 in accordance with an executed agreement.

Councilor Short moved to pay invoice based on cost of materials \$12030.88 minus amount owed by contractor on water billing. Councilor Ryans seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

22. CBD IMPROVEMENTS.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: the status to include but not limited to the identified goals for the Original Downtown, road repair and work on bidding, and grants focusing on the Blanchard Historical Central Business District.

*Councilor Short moved to approve items as drawn and presented.
Vice Mayor Kemper seconded said motion.*

Motion Carried:

*5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None*

23. LOCAL (OTHER) STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: the status of other street evaluation and ranking of projects.

*Vice Mayor Kemper moved to table items for further evaluation.
Councilor Short seconded said motion.*

Motion Carried:

*5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None*

24. SECTION LINE ROADS PHASE II.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: the status of Phase II Project of Section Line Road Improvements to include proposed Change Order(s) as proposed by the City Engineer and concurred by Haskell Lemon Group.

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to approve Change Order No. 1 as proposed by City Engineer. Councilor Short seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

*5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None*

*Chairman Scalf called a five (5) minute recess at 8:18PM.
Chairman reconvened meeting at 8:23PM.*

25. PUBLIC SAFETY PROTECTION DISTRICT.

Discuss and vote on a motion re: authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to explore all options to include but not limited to the creation of a Public Safety Protection District, etc. for the City of Blanchard

Vice Mayor Kemper moved to authorize City Attorney and City Manager to research the best method to include but not limited to the creation of a Public Safety Protection District for the City of Blanchard. Councilor Ryans seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: ***Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf***

0 ~ Nays: ***None***

0 ~ Absent: ***None***

C. CONSENT AGENDA

THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) ARE HEREBY DESIGNATED FOR APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE OR ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY ONE MOTION, SUBJECT TO ANY CONDITIONS INCLUDED THEREIN. IF ANY ITEM(S) DO NOT MEET WITH THE APPROVAL OF ALL MEMBER, THAT ITEM(S) WILL BE HEARD IN REGULAR ORDER:

1. APPROVAL of regular meeting minutes of 8/13/24.
2. APPROVAL of special meeting minutes of 8/27/24.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE of payment of FYE2024 and FYE2025 Claims and Expenditures in the total amount of \$511,393.22.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE FYE2024 Payroll in the total amount of \$216,554.34.
5. ACCEPTANCE of the August 2024 Financial Reports.
6. APPROVAL of the FYE2025 Transfers as set forth by the Budget.
7. ACCEPTANCE of donations to the Animal Control Services.

Councilor Ryans moved to approve Consent Agenda, as presented. Councilor Short seconded said motion.

Motion Carried:

5 ~ Ayes: Short, Whitt, Ryans, Kemper, Scalf
0 ~ Nays: None
0 ~ Absent: None

D. CONSENT ITEM REMOVAL

DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION RE:
ANY ITEM(S) REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT DOCKET.

NONE.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC [LIMITED TO 3-MINUTES PER
SPEAKER] FOR A TOTAL OF 15-MINUTES ON CITY RELATED NON-
AGENDA ITEMS. PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO BLANCHARD CITIZENS
AND NO FORMAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

NONE.

F. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

THIS ITEM IS LISTED TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CITY
COUNCIL AND/OR CITY STAFF TO MAKE COMMENTS AND/OR REQUEST
SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS. NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

1. Mayor Scalf updated the council on his request to have staff draft and send a letter to property owner Davis on Washington Street to meet regarding drainage issues. Dustin Downey confirms that the letter has been drafted.
2. Mayor Scalf has questions regarding the realignment of Council Avenue northbound on Highway 76.
3. Vice Mayor Kemper addresses the council and the public regarding false allegations on Facebook by Joe Davis regarding a door knocking campaign to influence the school bond vote. Mr. Kemper has not been physically able to walk any distance for some time due to health issues. Audience member Nick Hawk of 3525 McDaniel Street states that he was the individual photographed and posted on Facebook knocking doors regarding the school bond issue.

4. Mayor Scalf reminds everyone that the first amendment right of free speech is a right given to all citizens. Council members are citizens and have the right to free speech as individuals.
5. Councilor Whitt asks about the progress of the Trinity Holiness Crosswalk. David Standridge reports that the crosswalk is complete. The signs are ready for pickup.
6. Councilor Whitt asks about quotes for the council chamber window repairs. Robert Floyd states that the windows have been evaluated but more bids must be obtained.
7. Councilor Whitt asks about new bulletin boards for the council chamber lawn. Audra Scott has gotten prices on basic models but has not been able to find the exact style requested by the Mayor and City Manager.
8. Councilor Whitt asks David Standridge about street repairs.
9. Councilor Whitt asks about the atlas plans from Contemporary Family Dentistry identifying the private line between two buildings. Dustin Downey replies that he's waiting to receive the atlas from property owners.
10. Councilor Whitt asks if there is a street light at Sara and Highway 62.
11. Councilor Whitt asks for a policy to be drawn up making 12 inch lines on county roads mandatory.
12. Councilor Whitt asks if public works has requested a cost estimate for painting and repairing the water tower. David Standridge has requested an estimate and is waiting on the company to send it to him.
13. Councilor Whitt asks if we are adding additional roads to Phase 2. No we are not.
14. Councilor Whitt asks if we have gotten easements on 70th street.
15. Councilor Whitt asks if we can get bids on generators for city hall.
16. Ben Whitt asks if the survey has been completed for purchase of property at 2008 N. Council
17. Ben Whitt asks if we are still cross deputized with Lighthorse. Chief Rhodes confirms that we are.

G. REPORTS - FURTHER INFORMATION

1. REPORTS ~ Sales/Use Tax.

2. REPORTS ~ 2024 Attendance.
3. REPORTS ~ Departmental Activities.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION

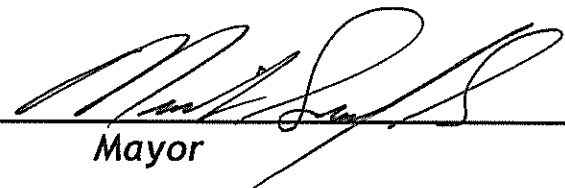
MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S):

1. For the purpose of conferring on matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to remain or locate within their jurisdiction if public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of products or services or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business [pursuant to Title 25 O.S. §307(C)(11)].
2. Reconvene back into Open Session:
3. Consideration and possible action relating to Economic Development.

Robert Floyd states that it is not necessary to go into Executive Session. The ASCOG grant is ready and should be filed with EDA on October 1st.

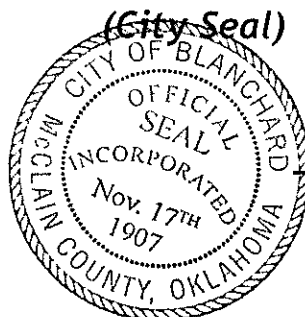
I. ADJOURNMENT


Called @ 9:05 p.m.



Mayor

ATTEST:





City Clerk