

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S FOR ROGERS COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

PLACE: Rogers County Courthouse, 219 South Missouri, Room 1-109, Claremore, Oklahoma

DATE & TIME: Thursday, April 29, 2010, at 5:30 O'clock P.M.

MINUTES

GUESTS PRESENT: Troy Powell, City Manager; Tim Miller, interim City Manager; Kim Reeve, BKL, Inc.; Police Chief Mickey Perry; Sheila Condren; Bill Higgins, Joe Perez, Sarah Sharp, City Clerk; Gene Haynes, District Attorney; city councilors: Terry Chase, Flo Guthrie, Paula Watson, Tom Lehman, Mayor Brant Shallenburger; Matt Ballard, city attorney; John Wylie, Oologah Lake Leader and Kelly Deal, OTEMS Director.

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Kirt Thacker called the meeting to order at 5:31 P.M.

ITEM 2: ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Determine that Notice of Meeting and Agenda were properly posted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

Chairman Kirt Thacker, Commissioner Dan DeLozier and Commissioner Mike Helm were present and quorum established.

ITEM 3: DISCUSSION ONLY WITH THE CITY OF CLAREMORE COUNCIL MEMBERS ON FUTURE PLANS FOR CITY/COUNTY PROJECTS:

Discussions were held about possible loop expansions in the county and the county partnering with the city for a traffic consultant for this project. Charles M. Schwinger, PE, PTOE, AICP, presented a traffic study already done by their firm, which would be the first step or starting point that would be beneficial to everyone because of economic development and help alleviate the traffic congestion, would benefit the city as well as the county.

Powell suggested Haynes and Ballard start working together legal aspects and draft a Memorandum of Understanding between the city and the county for both to approve. Haynes inquired about how much is each entity willing to participate, how to pay for the project and who to contact to help bring everyone together to accomplish this. Suggestions were to get mechanisms in place, set goals and more forward from there; hire a traffic consultant, develop scope of work and develop a master plan and the city and county keep meeting monthly to see this is accomplished. Haynes reminded the county needs to have an idea of costs so it can be placed in their budget requests.

Mayor Shallenburger spoke about the driver's licensing testing facility, where the city is currently paying for their rent at an annual cost of approximately \$14,000.00 per year; facilities in areas are closing and this facility serves the northeast region of Oklahoma, and we don't want to run the risk of losing it. Discussions about the county possibly help paying for the rent to keep the facility in Claremore. Haynes stated he would have to research to see if that would be a legal expenditure the county could use their funds for.

District Attorney Haynes spoke about the closing of Missouri Street and a partially vacated alley-way. Possible friendly lawsuit between the county and city needs to be filed to accomplish this. Discussions also about three storm sewers under the current courthouse and drainage issues need to be discussed and completed before construction of the new courthouse can take place.

City of Claremore, city council meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month and discussions about joint meetings between the city and county taking place on the May 17, 2010.

ITEM 4: RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Thacker made a motion to adjourn with Commissioner DeLozier seconding the motion. Roll Call: Thacker-aye, DeLozier-aye, Helm-aye. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:26 P.M.

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By: _____
Peggy Armstrong, Rogers County Clerk

(SEAL)

Notice of said meeting was filed in the Office of the County Clerk on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, at 8:11 A.M. and posted on the Courthouse Bulletin Board; Outside the Commissioner's Meeting Room; on the Exterior Window at the Southeast Entrance and Front Door Entrances to the Courthouse; on the wheelchair ramp door; and on the county web site.