

# **CITY OF OKEMAH**

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

June 9, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

Okemah City Hall, 502 West Broadway, Okemah, Oklahoma

### **1. FLAG SALUTE AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order, and the flag salute was observed.

Roll call was taken with the following members present:

- Ronnie Lucas – Ward I
- Ron Gott – Ward IV
- Brandon Anderson – Ward III
- Wayne Bacon – At Large

### **2. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum was declared present.

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Ronnie Lucas, second by Wayne Bacon to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **4. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS**

Motion by Brandon Anderson, second by Ronnie Lucas to approve purchase orders as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **5. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026**

Presentation was made on the proposed FY 2025–2026 budget.

### **6. DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR HAY TO BE CUT, BALED, AND REMOVED FROM THE OKEMAH INDUSTRIAL PARK AND OKEMAH MUNICIPAL AIRPORT**

Discussion was held.

Motion by Ron Gott, second by Wayne Bacon to open bids Thursday at 4:30p.m. The City Manager will award the bid.

Motion carried unanimously.

**7. CONSIDER AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO APPROVE THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OKEMAH AND THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #237**

Table the item until the next meeting.

**8. DISCUSSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO ENACT ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OKEMAH, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING TITLE 4 OF THE OKEMAH CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING A CHAPTER 9, VACANT BUILDINGS, ESTABLISHING A VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION PROGRAM; REQUIRING REGISTRATION; SETTING REGISTRATION FEES; RESPONSIBILITIES OF OWNERS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Motion by Ron Gott, second by Ronnie Lucas to table the item until the next meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

**9. DISCUSSION OF THE STATUS AND PROGRESS OF THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS**

- Signage – No update provided.
- Airport – Building material and removal discussed.

**10. CITY MANAGER'S COMMENT**

No further comments noted.

**11. COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

- Ronnie Lucas – Asked about signage project updates and emphasized the importance of moving forward quickly.
- Mike Ishmael – Requested an update on police staffing levels.
- Brandon Anderson – Suggested discussing economic development opportunities at the next meeting.
- Ron Gott – Noted issues with street repairs needing urgent attention.
- Wayne Bacon – Requested review of the city's equipment maintenance schedule.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

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**Relena Haddox, City Clerk**

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**Ron Gott, Mayor**