

BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

APRIL 5, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Board of City Commissioners of the City of Shawnee, County of Pottawatomie, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session, Monday, April 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., pursuant to notice duly posted as prescribed by law at 3:52 p.m. on April 2, 2021. Mayor Bolt presided and called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, the following members were in attendance.

Ed Bolt
Mayor

Daniel Matthews
Commissioner Ward 1

Bob Weaver
Commissioner Ward 2

Travis Flood
Commissioner Ward 3

Darren Rutherford
Commissioner Ward 4-Vice Mayor

Mark Sehorn
Commissioner Ward 5

Ben Salter
Commissioner Ward 6

ABSENT: None

INVOCATION

Commissioner Matthews

FLAG SALUTE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1:

Citizens Participation
(A three-minute limit per person)
(A twelve-minute limit per topic)

Mr. Rob Morris asked the Commission questions regarding the Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum.

Mr. Pete Carrels thanked the Mayor for being on the Nextdoor App. He expressed his concern about sales tax and money not being spent. Mr. Carrels commended the City on the action taken during the winter storm.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2:

Consider approval of Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes from the March 15, 2021 regular meeting.
- b. Acceptance of a Permanent Easement from Sai Om Sai, LLC., regarding parcel no. 0000-31-011-004-0-001-01.
- c. Acceptance of a Permanent Easement from Sai Om Sai, LLC., regarding parcel no. 0000-31-011-004-0-006-01.
- d. Acknowledge a recommendation to the Wes Watkins Reservoir Oversight Committee to appoint Bradley Schmidt as the City's representative to the Wes Watkins Reservoir Oversight Committee.
- e. Acknowledge the resignation of LaDonna Bryce from the Shawnee Community Beautification Committee.
- f. Acknowledge the resignation of Mike Mlynek from the Shawnee Community Beautification Committee.
- g. Mayor's Appointments:

Shawnee Community Beautification Committee

Lisa Hair 1st Partial Term Expires: January 1, 2022

Replaces LaDonna Bryce – Resigned

Sarah Murphy 1st Partial Term Expires: January 1, 2022

Replaces Mike Mlynek – Resigned

Shawnee Urban Renewal Authority

Crista Blue 1st Full Term Expires: February 2, 2024

Replaces Paul Davis – Resigned

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rutherford, seconded by Commissioner Weaver, to approve the Consent Agenda Item Nos. 2(a-g). Motion carried 7-0.

AYE: Rutherford, Weaver, Flood, Bolt, Sehorn, Salter, Matthews

NAY: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3:

Presentation by Animal Control to present the Pet of the Week.

Animal Control Officer Wendy Cole presented Flower, a two-and-a-half-year-old canine. Flower is up for adoption.

Officer Cole advised that the Animal Shelter currently has seventeen dogs, three cats, and one pig.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4:

Mayor's Proclamation:

"National Public Safety
Telecommunications Week"
April 11-17, 2021

Communications Manager Christina Brown accepted the Mayor's Proclamation for "National Public Safety Telecommunications Week" presented by Mayor Bolt.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5:

Presentation by Lauren Craig, Homeless Services Coordinator, regarding the Homeless Initiative.

Ms. Lauren Craig, Homeless Service Coordinator, gave a presentation regarding the Homeless Initiative known as the *Quality by Name List* program. She briefly described how the Homeless Initiative got started and the next steps in creating understanding between agencies in the community. Ms. Craig answered questions from the Commissioners.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6:

Consider Oklahoma Municipal Retirement Fund lump sum payment from Defined Benefit Plan for Cynthia S. Arnold.

A motion was made by Commissioner Weaver, seconded by Commissioner Matthews, to approve the Oklahoma Municipal Retirement Fund lump sum payment from Defined Benefit Plan for Cynthia S. Arnold. Motion carried 7-0.

AYE: Weaver, Matthews, Flood, Bolt, Rutherford, Sehorn, Salter

NAY: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7:

Discussion and consideration of acceptance of the Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum.

City Manager Chance Allison explained the matter of ownership and the need to create a plan to renovate the mausoleum on the City's property at Fairview Cemetery.

Utility Director Brad Schmidt estimated the total renovation of the mausoleum would be approximately Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000.00). He explained that Staff is currently updating quotes from 2015 and 2020.

A motion was made by Commissioner Matthews, seconded by Commissioner Flood, to accept the Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum and remaining trust fund balance of approximately Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00). Motion carried 7-0.

AYE: Matthews, Flood, Bolt, Rutherford, Sehorn, Salter, Weaver

NAY: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8:

Consider Bids:

- a. Whittaker Street Rehabilitation Project No. 20SHAWWHITST (Award)

City Engineer Seth Barkhimer announced that three (3) bids were received. After review and consideration, it is Staff's recommendation to reject the bids. Mr. Barkhimer advised that rebidding the project will cause a delay; however, the proposed changes will allow for more competitive bidding.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rutherford, seconded by Commissioner Sehorn, to accept staff's recommendation to reject the bids. Motion carried 7-0.

AYE: Rutherford, Sehorn, Salter, Matthews, Weaver, Flood, Bolt

NAY: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9:

New Business (Any matter not known or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the posting of the agenda.)

There was no New Business.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10:

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Salter stated the mausoleum project is going to be interesting to work through.

Commissioner Sehorn shared that he drove through Fairview Cemetery after it has been sprayed and stated the mausoleum is run down.

Vice Mayor Rutherford stated the cemetery is looking better with the work that has been done.

Commissioner Flood thanked Mr. Schmidt for working on the mausoleum. He also thanked Mr. Carrels for bringing up the need to update information. Commissioner Flood stated that he has been asked what the plans are for the mask mandate and thinks it might be time to revisit the mandate for discussion.

Commissioner Weaver explained he has not seen any follow through on the previous public commitment to put funds toward the upkeep Shawnee Mall. He stressed the importance that citizens help pick up trash in the community.

Commissioner Matthews expressed his condolences of a passing of a member in Commissioner Flood's family. He stated he enjoyed his visit with Ms. Craig and admires the Homeless Initiative. He is thankful for the dispatchers.

Commissioner Matthews echoed the need to revisit the mask mandate on the next agenda, if not sooner.

Mayor Bolt stated a link had been provided to Mr. Carrels to receive the sales tax information that is provided at the second Commission Meeting of each month. He also encouraged citizens to follow OpenGov, Inc. for access to the City's public information when it becomes available. Mayor Bolt thanked Ms. Craig for the work she has done on the Homeless Initiative. He echoed the need for renovating the mausoleum and stated the mask mandate would be reviewed

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11:

Adjournment

There being no further business to be considered, the meeting was adjourned by power of the Chair. (7:02 p.m.)



ATTEST:

Lisa Laszzone

LISA LASZYONE, CMC, CITY CLERK

Ed Bolt
ED BOLT, MAYOR