

Board of Directors Meeting April 3, 2024

Minutes

I. MEETING CONVENED

The Oklahoma Municipal League Board of Directors met on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at the OML Office located at 201 NE 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK, 73105 and virtually via Zoom. President Pam Polk called the meeting to order at 2:11 p.m.

Officers and Directors present were:

President, Pam Polk, City Manager, Collinsville Vice President, Scotty White, Mayor, Poteau Past President, Kim Peterson, Mayor, Guymon

Directors:

District 1, Michael Hart, City Administrator, Commerce

District 4, Danny Delay, City Manager, Atoka

District 5, William Joyce, Mayor, Stillwater

District 6, Joyce Calvert, Mayor, Glenpool

District 7, Homer Nicholson, Mayor, Ponca City

District 8, Nikki Lloyd, Mayor, Bethany

District 10, Mike Brown, Mayor, Weatherford

Towns East, Karl Burkhardt, Town Administrator, Stonewall

Towns West, Craig Parham, Mayor, Amber

Broken Arrow, Debra Wimpee, Mayor

Oklahoma City, Craig Freeman, City Manager

Tulsa Jed Cochran, Government Relations Representative, Alternate

Norman, Lauren Schueler, Council Member (via Zoom)

Edmond, Barry K. Moore, Councilmember

Officers and Directors absent:

District 2, Dwayne Elam, City Administrator, Wagoner

District 3, Leah Thomas, City Manager, Hugo

District 9, Stan Booker, Mayor, Lawton

District 11, Kelly Parker, Mayor, Alva

Tulsa, G.T. Bynum, Mayor

Norman, Larry Heikkila, Mayor

Edmond, Darrell Davis, Mayor

OML Staff Present:

Executive Director, Mike Fina

Deputy Director, Nancee Morris

Associate General Counsel, Christian Rinehart Director of Communications & Legislative Affairs, Leslie Blair Legal Assistant, Megan Buchanan Outreach Specialist, April Bradbury Accounting Assistant, Emily Hooge

Guests present were:

Broken Arrow, Michael Spurgeon, City Manager OML Representative, Ray Poland, Tribal-Municipal Affairs Specialist North Enid, Jason Dockins, Mayor McAlester, John Browne, Mayor Attorney, Margaret Love, Love Law Firm Robert Johnston (via Zoom)

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Consideration and action to accept and approve items on the Consent Agenda.
 - a. Minutes of March 6, 2024

President Polk asked for any questions. After there being no discussion J. Calvert motioned to approve as is with a second from D. Wimpee.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Delay, W. Joyce, J. Calvert, H. Nicholson, N. Lloyd, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, D. Wimpee, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Schueler, B. Moore, K. Peterson, S. White, P. Polk

No Votes: None

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

III. BUSINESS AGENDA

1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Pam Polk, President)

President Polk shared with the board Stan Booker's wife's funeral will be Thursday, April 4, 2024. Last week President Polk attended NLC in Washington, DC with Executive Director Fina and D. Wimpee. OML received an award for advocacy.

No formal action taken.

2. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** (Mike Fina, Executive Director)

Director Fina reported to the board about his trip to Washington D.C. M. Fina attended a UINO tribal event in Bartlesville with Ray Poland as well as the Tribal Symposium in Ada. M. Fina discussed OML's efforts to assist mayors in raising awareness of veterans' suicidal rates. D. Wimpee will distribute resources for this and has information on the Broken Arrow website. The Legislative Reception is this afternoon at 4:30 pm; everyone is encouraged to attend. The 2024 Annual Conference & Expo theme is *Municipal Stars: Lights, Camera, Action!*

No formal action taken.

3. **LEGISLATIVE REPORT** (Leslie Blair, Director of Communications & Legislative Affairs) L. Blair presented the legislative report. A motion was made by M. Brown with a second by S. White to approve the following recommendations.

A. *INFORMATION:* Oppose HB 3777 which establishes additional standards and procedures for the issuance of criminal subpoenas.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors approve the recommendations.

A motion was made by J. Calvert with a second by C. Freeman to approve the above recommendation.

B. *INFORMATION:* Stay neutral on SB 102 which increase minimum employee contribution for certain members; increasing computation of certain monthly benefits; increasing employer contribution.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors approve the recommendations.

A motion was made by M. Brown with a second by S. White to approve the following recommendations.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Delay, W. Joyce, J. Calvert, H. Nicholson, N. Lloyd, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, D. Wimpee, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Schueler, B. Moore, K. Peterson, S. White, P. Polk

No Votes: None

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT (Nancee Morris, Deputy Director) N. Morris gave a report on the February Financial Statement and Check Register. After a brief discussion, M. Hart motioned to approve the February financial report with a second by K. Burkhardt.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Delay, W. Joyce, J. Calvert, H. Nicholson, N. Lloyd, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, D. Wimpee, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Schueler, B. Moore, K. Peterson, S. White, P. Polk

No Votes: None

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

5. Update by Chairman Spurgeon regarding the Bylaws and Policy Committee. (Michael Spurgeon, Chair, Broken Arrow, City Manager) Chair Spurgeon provided the board with an update on the progress of the bylaws and policy committee. He further informed the board that they would receive sections to review prior to each upcoming board meeting for their consideration and review. The committee plans to have the bylaws completed and ready for a final board approval at the August 2024 meeting.

No formal action taken.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if requested):

1. Discussion and possible action to enter into executive session with outside counsel: A motion was made by M. Hart and seconded by K. Burkhardt to go into executive session. The executive session began at 2:44 p.m.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Delay, W. Joyce, J. Calvert, H. Nicholson, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, D. Wimpee, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Schueler, B. Moore, K. Peterson, S. White, P. Polk

No Votes: None

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

- 2. The board convened into open session at 3:45 p.m.
- **3.** A motion was made by B. Moore with a second by C. Freeman to approve the recommendations of the personnel committee.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Delay, W. Joyce, J. Calvert, H. Nicholson, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, D. Wimpee, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Schueler, B. Moore, K. Peterson, S. White, P. Polk

No Votes: None

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. S. White encouraged the board to come to Poteau for the eclipse.

No formal action taken.

2. D. Wimpee informed the board that she has been asked to travel to Switzerland on April 20-26, 2024.

No formal action taken.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

| Mike | Fina, | Executive | Director | _ |
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