



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
November 2, 2016**

MINUTES

I. MEETING CONVENED:

The Oklahoma Municipal League Board of Directors met at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at the OML offices located at 201 N.E. 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK. President Brown called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

Officers and Directors present were:

President	Mike Brown, Mayor, Weatherford
Vice President	Bill Shewey, Mayor, Enid
Past President	James Couch, City Manager, Oklahoma City

Directors:

District 1	Elaine Carr, Mayor, West Siloam Springs
District 2	Jason Nichols, Mayor, Tahlequah
District 4	J.D. Spohn, City Manager, Ardmore
District 5	Beverly Rodgers, Mayor, Holdenville
District 6	John Fothergill, Vice Mayor, Sand Springs
District 7	Homer Nicholson, Mayor, Ponca City
District 9	Fred Fitch, Mayor, Lawton
District 11	Richard Chapman, Vice Mayor, Gage
Towns East	Dennis Heath, Town Administrator, Stonewall
Towns West	Todd Finley, Mayor, Mooreland
Broken Arrow	Craig Thurmond, Mayor, Broken Arrow
Broken Arrow, Alternate	Michael Spurgeon, City Manager, Broken Arrow
Tulsa, Alternate	Jim Twombly, City Manager, Tulsa
Norman	Lynne Miller, Mayor, Norman

Officers and Directors absent:

District 3	Jeff Shockley, Mayor, Poteau
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District 8
District 10
Tulsa
Norman, Alternate
Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City, Alternative

Randy Ross, Mayor, Choctaw
Jason Hulin, Councilmember, Clinton
Dewey Bartlett, Jr., Mayor, Tulsa
Greg Heiple, Councilmember, Norman
Mick Cornett, Mayor, Oklahoma City
Mark Stonecipher, Councilmember, Oklahoma City

Guests Present:

Attorney Margaret Love
OU IQC Director of Small Town Studios Ron Frantz

Staff Present:

Director of Governmental Relations Missy Dean
General Counsel Sue Ann Nicely
Communications Coordinator Nancee Morris
Program Manager Cheryl Adams
Inquiry & Special Programs Liaison Kelly Danner
Administrative/Accounting Assistant Jessica Perry

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

III. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Consideration and action to accept and approve items on the Consent Agenda.
 - a. Minutes of the October 5, 2016 meeting
 - b. Financial statement for October 2016
 - c. Monthly check ledger for October 2016

President Brown asked for questions. With no questions a motion was made by J. Fothergill with a second by C. Thurmond to approve the consent agenda as presented.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None
All voted yes. Motion carried.

IV. BUSINESS AGENDA:

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (Mike Brown, OML President)
President Brown welcomed everyone to the Board meeting and encouraged Board members to continue to be involved in upcoming meetings regarding the state questions.

No formal action was taken.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT (Missy Dean, Director of Governmental Relations)

Missy Dean updated the Board on administrative activities at OML during the month of October.

No formal action was taken.

3. LEGISLATIVE REPORT (Missy Dean, Director of Governmental Relations)

STATE ISSUES:

A. **INFORMATION:** Support the proposed amendment to the Oklahoma Bankruptcy Statutes to clarify eligibility for city, county and public trust hospitals to file bankruptcy.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors to approve the recommendation.

After further discussion a motion was made by T. Finley with a second by H. Nicholson to approve as presented.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None
All voted yes. Motion carried.

B. **INFORMATION:** Support action on Real ID Reform.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors to approve the recommendation.

After further discussion a motion was made by J. Couch with a second by B. Rodgers to approve as presented.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

- C. **INFORMATION:** Support the proposed \$1.50 cigarette tax increase that would be dedicated to fund healthcare.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors to approve the recommendation.

After further discussion a motion was made by F. Fitch with a second by B. Rodgers to approve as presented.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendations for nominations to the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) for Districts 2 and 9. After further discussion and based on information presented by Sue Ann Nicely there is only a recommendation for a nomination to the OWRB for District 2. A motion was made by D. Heath to recommend Peter Stasiak, City Manager, City of McAlester to the OWRB for District 2. The motion was seconded by Beverly Rodgers.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

5. Discussion and possible action to retain a contract lobbyist for 2017. After further discussion F. Fitch made a motion and T. Finley seconded the motion to retain contract lobbyist Bill Phelps for 2017.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

6. Proposal to work with OU Institute for Quality Communities (Nancee Morris, Communications Coordinator, Ron Frantz, OU IQC Director of Small Town Studios)

Nancee Morris discussed the proposal to work with OU Institute for Quality Communities. After further discussion F. Fitch made a motion and J. Couch seconded the motion to work with OU Institute for Quality Communities.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

7. Update on OML Secretariats (Kelly Danner, Inquiry and Special Programs Liaison)

Kelly Danner reported to the Board on OML Secretariats.

No action was taken.

8. Reestablishment of the OML Facilities Committee (Sue Ann Nicely, General Counsel)

Sue Ann discussed reestablishing the OML Facilities Committee. Jim Twombly, Chairman of the OML Reserve Committee, also discussed reestablishing the Facilities Committee to go forward and to look at the bigger issues. At this time no new members were added to the Facilities Committee. A motion was made by F. Fitch to reestablish the OML Facilities Committee and seconded by D. Heath.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Margaret Love requested Sue Ann Nicely and Missy Dean be present in executive session.

1. A motion was made by C. Thurmond with a second by J. Nichols at 1:09 p.m. to go into executive session.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made to return from executive session by F. Fitch with a second by E. Carr at 2:16 p.m.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by T. Finley and seconded by D. Heath to authorize use of unexpended salary adjustments from FY 2015-2016 to supplement budgeted salary adjustments for FY 2016-2017 as discussed in executive session. As part of the salary adjustments a 7.5% salary adjustment is to be made for Sue Ann Nicely and Missy Dean as Interim Directors.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

3. A motion was made by T. Finley and seconded by B. Rodgers to hire Strategic Government Resources, Inc. (SGR) with a contract amount of \$27,000 for the recruitment of a new Executive Director and to add Beverly Rodgers to the Search Committee replacing Jim Twombly who removed himself from the Search Committee during regular session. The members are:

- a. Mike Brown, Mayor, Weatherford
- b. Bill Shewey, Mayor, Enid
- c. Beverly Rodgers, Mayor, Holdenville
- d. Homer Nicholson, Mayor, Ponca City
- e. Elaine Carr, Mayor, West Siloam Springs
- f. Randy Ross, Mayor, Choctaw
- g. Michael Spurgeon, City Manager, Broken Arrow

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding confidential communications between the Board of Directors and its attorney regarding the Sardi claim.

James Couch stated that adequate direction was given in executive session and there is no need for any formal action.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

1. There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by J. Nichols and seconded by E. Carr. The meeting was adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

YES VOTES: E. Carr, J. Nichols, J. Spohn, B. Rodgers, J. Fothergill, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, R. Chapman, D. Heath, T. Finley, C. Thurmond, J. Twombly, L. Miller, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

NO VOTES: None

All voted yes. Motion carried.

Sue Ann Nicely, General Counsel

Missy Dean, Director of Governmental Services