



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
March 2, 2016  
MINUTES**

**I. MEETING CONVENED:**

The Oklahoma Municipal League Board of Directors met at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at the OML offices located at 201 N.E. 23<sup>rd</sup> 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
Immediate Past President	James Couch, Oklahoma City, City Manager

Directors:

District 1	Elaine Carr, Mayor, W Siloam Springs
District 3	Jeff Shockley, Mayor, Poteau
District 4	JD Spohn, City Manager, Ardmore
District 5	Beverly Rodgers, Mayor, Holdenville
District 7	Homer Nicholson, Mayor, Ponca City
District 8	Randy Ross, Mayor, Choctaw
District 9	Fred Fitch, Mayor, Lawton
District 10	Jason Hulin, Councilmember, Clinton
District 11	Richard Chapman, Mayor, Gage
TownsEast	Dennis Heath, City Manager, Stonewall
Broken Arrow, Alternate	Michael Spurgeon, City Manager
Norman, Alternate	Greg Jungman, Mayor Pro Tem, Norman
Tulsa	Jim Twombly, City Manager, Tulsa

Officers and Directors Absent:

District 2	Jason Nichols, Mayor, Tahlequah
District 6	Michael Phillips, Councilmember, Sand Springs
Towns West	VACANT
Norman	Cindy Rosenthal, Mayor
Broken Arrow	Craig Thurmond, Mayor
Tulsa	Dewey Bartlett, Jr. Mayor, Tulsa
Oklahoma City	Mick Cornett, Mayor, Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City	Michael Stonecipher, Councilmember, OKC

Guests Present:

Mayor, City of Pryor	Jimmy Tramel
Mayor, City of Sallisaw	Julie Ferguson
Mayor, City of Wilburton	Stephen Brinlee
Mayor, Town of Mooreland	Todd Finley

Staff Present:

Executive Director	Carolyn Stager
Executive Assistant	Nancee Morris
General Counsel	Sue Ann Nicely
Director of Governmental Relations	Missy Dean
Program Manager	Cheryl Adams
Office Assistant	Aspen Roberts

**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 February 2016 meeting
  - b. Financial statement for February 2016
  - c. Monthly check ledger for February 2016
2. Consideration and possible action on items removed from the Consent Agenda.

President Brown asked for questions. With no questions a motion was made by E. Carr with a second by B. Rodgers to approve the consent agenda as presented.

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

All voted yes. Motion carried.

**IV. BUSINESS AGENDA:**

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT (President Mike Brown)**

President Brown reported that this year's speaker ball was a wonderful evening and he appreciated Mayor Shewey's city for their hospitality and OML for sponsoring a table for the event.

No formal action was taken.

2. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Carolyn Stager, Executive Director)
  - Director Stager updated the Board on OML activities during the month of February. A summary report of Ms. Stager's activities is attached.

No formal action was taken.

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

#### **STATE ISSUES:**

A. **INFORMATION:** Support SB 1240 by Sen. Mike Mazzei/Rep. Terry O'Donnell that creates the Public Safety Protection District allowing cities to create a Public Safety District and assess no greater than five (5) mills for the district to fund police, fire and jail operations

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

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

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

All voted yes. Motion carried.

B. **INFORMATION:** Support SB 1057 by Sen. Jack Fry/Rep. Kevin Calvey, Firearms/Events. This bill will allow cities to prohibit guns at events if it is on property/building owned or controlled by city, county, state and federal government, a public property sports field or sporting event where an elementary or secondary school, collegiate or professional event is played or an International Olympic Committee, fairgrounds during the Oklahoma and Tulsa State Fair and if there is a contract for the event.

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

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

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

**ABSTAINED:** R. Ross

Motion carried.

C. **INFORMATION:** Oppose SB 1329 by Sen. John Ford which exempts church activities from occupancy ratings and building codes.

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

After further discussion a motion was made by J. Hulin with a second by D. Heath to approve as presented.

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

All voted yes. Motion carried.

D. **INFORMATION:** Oppose SB 1462 by Sen. Ralph Shortey which prohibits a city from establishing a sanctuary policy.

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

After further discussion a motion was made by J. Hulin with a second by R. Chapman to approve as presented.

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

All voted yes. Motion carried.

E. **INFORMATION:** Support SB 1270 by Sen. Ron Sharp/Rep. Josh Cockcroft that creates the Scrap Metal Purchases Database. This will allow a statewide database to be developed to curb the theft of scrap metal.

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

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

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

All voted yes. Motion carried.

F. **INFORMATION:** Oppose HB 2276 by Rep. Lee Denney that allows a property owner to file a request for judicial location exception with the county court if the owner objects to a corporation's desire to locate its pipeline, utility line or other transmission line on said property. The bill requires the court to conduct a hearing to determine if an alternative location would be possible.

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

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

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

All voted yes. Motion carried.

G. **INFORMATION:** Oppose SB 1551 by Sen. Dan Newberry and SB 1466 by Sen. Kim David that will force employees and retirees in the Oklahoma state health plan into an HMO with a limited network.

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

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

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, G. Jungman, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** J. Twombly, J. Couch

Motion carried.

4. Pat McFerron of CMA Strategies presented a report of the latest polling information regarding the Penny Sales Tax Increase Proposal.

No formal action was taken.

5. Discussion and approval of President Brown's recommendation to fill the Towns West Board vacancy by Todd Finley, Mayor of the Town of Mooreland.

After further discussion a motion was made by R. Chapman with a second by M. Spurgeon to approve President Brown's recommendation.

**YES VOTES:** E. Carr, J. Shockley, J Spohn, B. Rodgers, H. Nicholson, R. Ross, F. Fitch, J. Hulin, R. Chapman, D. Heath, M. Spurgeon, J. Twombly, G. Jungman, J. Couch, B. Shewey, M. Brown

**NO VOTES:** none

All voted yes. Motion carried.

6. Chair Jim Twombly gave an update to the board from the OML Reserve Fund Committee indicating that he expects to be able to provide a draft of their report by the next board meeting for their review and action.

#### **V. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. No executive session was requested.

#### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

1. R. Chapman thanked the OML staff for assisting with a special acknowledgement in his district.
2. R. Ross reported that Choctaw's wrestling team won not only the wrestling state championship but also won the academic championship.
3. D. Heath reported that the town of Stonewall has scheduled several activities to take place during Municipal Government Week.
4. E. Carr reported that she was a judge this year for the If I Were Mayor contest and thought students needed to be more education on the political process.

#### **VII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, President Brown adjourned the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

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Carolyn Stager, Executive Director