



Board of Directors Meeting October 5, 2022

Minutes

I. MEETING CONVENED

The Oklahoma Municipal League Board of Directors met at 12:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, October 5, at 12:30 p.m. at the OML Office located at 201 NE 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK, 73105** and virtually via Zoom. President Ray Poland called the meeting to order at 12:19 p.m.

Officers and Directors present were:

President	Ray Poland, Mayor, Jones
Past President	Kim Peterson, Mayor, Guymon
<u>Directors:</u>	
District 1	Michael Hart, City Administrator, Commerce (via Zoom)
District 2	Dwayne Elam, City Manager, Wagoner
District 3	Scotty White, Mayor, Poteau
District 4	Cody Holcomb, City Manager, Ada
District 7	Homer Nicholson, Mayor, Ponca City
District 9	Kimberly Meek, City Manager, Duncan
District 10	Mike Brown, Mayor, Weatherford
District 11	Kelly Parker, Mayor, Alva
Towns East	Karl Burkhardt, Town Administrator, Stonewall
Towns West	Craig Parham, Mayor, Amber
Broken Arrow	Michael Spurgeon, City Manager, Broken Arrow Alt.
Oklahoma City	Craig Freeman, City Manager, Oklahoma City
Tulsa	Jed Cochran, Chief of Intergovt. Affairs, Tulsa, Alt. (via Zoom)
Norman	Lauren Schueler, Council Member, Norman Alt.

Officers and Directors absent:

Vice President	Pam Polk, City Manager, Collinsville
Broken Arrow	Debra Wimpee, Mayor, Broken Arrow
Tulsa	G.T. Bynum, Mayor, Tulsa
Norman	Larry Heikkila, Mayor, Norman
Edmond	Darrell Davis, Mayor, Edmond

Staff Present:

Executive Director	Mike Fina
Chief of Staff	Nancee Morris
General Counsel	Daniel McClure
Associate General Counsel	Christian Rhinehart
Programs Director	Adrienne Covington-Graham
Director of Communications	Leslie Blair
Conference/Program Manager	Sarah Lingenfelter

Guests:

Bethany	Nikki Lloyd, Mayor, Bethany
Sand Springs	Mike Burdge, Council Member
Cheek & Falcone	Robert Thompson, Attorney

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

III. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration and action to accept and approve items on the Consent Agenda.
 - a) Minutes of the August 2022 meeting.
 - b) Financial statements for August and September 2022.
 - c) Monthly check ledgers for August and September 2022.

R. Poland asked for questions. With no further questions a motion was made by K. Parker with a second by M. Brown to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. White, C. Holcomb, H. Nicholson, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, M. Spurgeon, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Scheuler, K. Peterson, R. Poland.

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

IV. BUSINESS AGENDA

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (Ray Poland, OML President). President Poland thanked the board for the honor of being elected president.

No formal action taken

2. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Mike Fina, Executive Director). Director Fina thanked the board for allowing him to serve on the Oklahoma Broadband Governing Board. Director Fina invited the board to attend the Tribal Symposium in December that will include discussions on broadband, economic development, and criminal justice with the tribes.

No formal action taken.

3. LEGISLATIVE REPORT (Daniel McClure, General Counsel).

- a. **INFORMATION:** Support and make priority the legislative intent to limit the exposure on sewer back up cases in municipalities. This might be best accomplished by going through Title 82, Water, to limit the cities exposure, provided that they are taking certain measurable steps to improve and maintain their sewer systems. Or it could be accomplished by limiting it if it were an act of God, excessive rainfall in a certain period of time, or refine the cap to be on households, not individuals in the household.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors approve the recommendation.

- b. **INFORMATION:** Support (1) providing more flexibility to CLEET to regulate and ensure the professionalism of Oklahoma peace officers and (2) simplify and increase effectiveness and efficiency of CLEET's regulatory functions.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors approve the recommendation.

- c. **INFORMATION:** Oppose amending 62 O.S. 318 to allow municipalities to make initial payments from any funds available as a down payment or to buy the project down as it relates to municipalities entering into performance-based efficiency contracts with qualified providers.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors approve the recommendation.

D. McClure discussed State Issues (a)-(c). R. Poland asked for questions. With no further discussion, a motion was made by C. Freeman with a second by M. Brown to approve items (a) and (b). Item C is tabled until staff return with more information.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. White, C. Holcomb, H. Nicholson, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, M. Spurgeon, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Scheuler, K. Peterson, R. Poland.

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

4. Update on Oklahoma Supreme Court litigation concerning securitized bonds, taxation, and franchise fees (Daniel McClure, General Counsel). D. McClure updated the board on the litigation in the Oklahoma Supreme Court.

No formal action taken.

5. Update on the State of Oklahoma and Non-Entitlement Unit American Rescue Plan Act funds and distribution process (Christian Rinehart, Associate General Counsel). C. Rinehart updated the board on the distribution of the ARPA funds to municipalities.

No formal action taken.

6. Update on Municipal Health Solutions and Municipal Health Services (Mike Brown, Mayor, Weatherford). M. Brown and N. Morris updated the board on MHS and the new Municipal Health Services program.

No formal action taken.

7. Discussion and possible action regarding the November and December board meetings (Ray Poland, OML President).

R. Poland asked for questions. With no further discussion, a motion was made by S. White with a second by C. Holcomb to hold the next board meeting December 7th, 2022.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. White, C. Holcomb, H. Nicholson, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, M. Spurgeon, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Scheuler, K. Peterson, R. Poland.

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if requested):

1. Executive Session requested by former City Manager and OML Board Member Buck Day concerning the OML General Counsel and McLoud City Council activities. A motion was made by C. Freeman with a second by C. Parham to go into Executive Session at 1:03 pm.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. White, C. Holcomb, H. Nicholson, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, M. Spurgeon, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Scheuler, K. Peterson, R. Poland.

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. A motion was made by C. Parham with a second by M. Brown to return from Executive Session at 1:28 pm.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. White, C. Holcomb, H. Nicholson, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, M. Spurgeon, C. Freeman, J. Cochran, L. Scheuler, K. Peterson, R. Poland.

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no further business, R. Poland adjourned the meeting at 1:32 p.m.

Mike Fina, Executive Director