

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY MINUTES
NORMAN MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MINUTES
NORMAN TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY MINUTES

July 3, 2012

The City Council of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of the Norman Municipal Building on the 3rd day of July, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., and notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at the Municipal Building at 201 West Gray and at the Norman Public Library at 225 North Webster 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Dillingham, Ezzell,
Griffith, Kovach, Lockett, Quinn,
Spaulding, Mayor Rosenthal

ABSENT: Councilmember Gallagher

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Rosenthal.

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Item 3, being:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES AS FOLLOWS:

CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES OF JUNE 19, 2012
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES OF JUNE 19, 2012
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2012
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NORMAN TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2012

Acting as the City Council, Norman Utilities Authority, Norman Municipal Authority, and Norman Tax Increment Finance Authority, Councilmember Kovach moved that the minutes be approved and the filing thereof be directed, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Quinn;

Items submitted for the record

1. Text File No. GID-1213-1 dated June 7, 2012
2. City Council Study Session minutes of June 19, 2012
3. City Council Special Session minutes of June 19, 2012
4. City Council Special Session minutes of June 26, 2012
5. City Council minutes of June 26, 2012
6. Norman Utilities Authority minutes of June 26, 2012
7. Norman Municipal Authority minutes of June 26, 2012
8. Norman Tax Increment Finance Authority minutes of June 26, 2012

and the question being upon approving the minutes and upon the subsequent directive, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Dillingham, Ezzell,
Griffith, Kovach, Lockett, Quinn,
Spaulding, Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the minutes approved; and the filing thereof was directed.

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Item 4, being:

ADMINISTERING THE OATHS OF OFFICE TO AND SEATING OF COUNCILMEMBER-ELECT TOM KOVACH, WARD 2; COUNCILMEMBER-ELECT GREG JUNGMAN, WARD 4; COUNCILMEMBER-ELECT JAMES GRIFFITH, WARD 6, AND COUNCILMEMBER-ELECT CHAD WILLIAMS, WARD 8.

Presiding Judge David Poarch administered Oaths of Office to the elected and reelected members of the City Council.

Thereupon, Councilmembers Kovach, Jungman, Griffith, and Williams were formally seated.

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Item 5, being:

RESOLUTION NO. R-1213-4: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, EXTENDING APPRECIATION TO CAROL DILLINGHAM FOR SERVING AS WARD FOUR COUNCILMEMBER IN NORMAN, OKLAHOMA.

Councilmember Jungman moved that Resolution No. R-1213-4 be adopted, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Kovach;

Items submitted for the record

1. Text File No. R-1213-4 dated June 7, 2012
2. Resolution No. R-1113-4

Participants in discussion

1. Ms. Carol Dillingham accepted the resolution and thanked the Council and others

and the question being upon adopting Resolution No. R-1213-4, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Ezzell, Griffith,
Jungman, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding,
Williams, Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and Resolution No. R-1213-4 was adopted.

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Item 6, being:

RESOLUTION NO. R-1213-5: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, EXTENDING APPRECIATION TO DAN QUINN FOR SERVING AS WARD EIGHT COUNCILMEMBER IN NORMAN, OKLAHOMA.

Councilmember Williams moved that Resolution No. R-1213-5 be adopted, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Kovach;

Items submitted for the record

1. Text File No. R-1213-5 dated June 7, 2012
2. Resolution No. R-1213-5

Participants in discussion

1. Mr. Dan Quinn accepted the resolution and thanked the Council and others

and the question being upon adopting Resolution No. R-1213-5, a vote was taken with the following result:

Item 6, continued:

YEAS: Councilmembers Ezzell, Griffith,
Jungman, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding,
Williams, Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and Resolution No. R-1213-5 was adopted.

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Item 7, being:

ELECTION OF A MAYOR PRO TEM.

Councilmember Kovach nominated Councilmember Ezzell to serve as Mayor Pro Tem, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Griffith; and there being no other nominations, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Ezzell, Griffith,
Jungman, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding,
Williams, Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and Councilmember Ezzell was elected as Mayor Pro Tem.

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Item 8, being:

ELECTION OF A REPRESENTATIVE AND AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA GOVERNMENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Councilmember Griffith nominated Mayor Rosenthal to serve as the representative and Councilmember Kovach to serve as alternate representative to the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments Board of Directors, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Jungman; and the question being upon nominating Mayor Rosenthal to serve as the representative and Councilmember Kovach to serve as alternate representative to the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments Board of Director, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Jungman, Griffith,
Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: Councilmembers Ezzell, Kovach,
Lockett, Spaulding, and Williams

The Mayor declared the motion failed and Mayor Rosenthal was not elected as the representative and Councilmember Kovach was not elected as the alternate representative to the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments Board of Directors.

Thereupon, Councilmember Spaulding nominated Councilmember Kovach to serve as the representative and Mayor Rosenthal to serve as alternate representative to the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments Board of Directors, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Ezzell; and there being no other nominations, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Ezzell, Kovach,
Lockett, Spaulding, Williams

NAYES: Councilmembers Griffith, Jungman, and
Mayor Rosenthal

The Mayor declared the motion carried and Councilmember Kovach was elected as the representative and Mayor Rosenthal elected as the alternate representative to the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments Board of Directors.

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Item 9, being:

ELECTION OF A CITY COUNCILMEMBER TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CITY OF NORMAN RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Councilmember Lockett nominated Councilmember Spaulding to serve as the representative on the Board of Trustees for the City of Norman Retirement System, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Ezzell; and there being no other nominations, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Ezzell, Griffith,
Jungman, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding,
Williams, Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and Councilmember Spaulding was elected as the representative to serve on the Board of Trustees for the City of Norman Retirement System.

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Item 10, being:

ELECTION OF A REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE AS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE NORMAN CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Councilmember Spaulding nominated Councilmember Lockett to serve as an ex-officio member of the Norman Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Ezzell; and there being no other nominations, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Ezzell, Griffith,
Jungman, Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding,
Williams, Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and Councilmember Lockett was elected as an ex-officio member of the Norman Conventions and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors.

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MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION

City Council. Councilmember Kovach thanked Councilmembers Dillingham and Quinn and their families for the time they put into serving the citizens of Norman. He said it takes a lot of effort and support to serve on City Council. He said Councilmember Dillingham spent a great deal of time on many issues and went the extra mile and he will miss her. He said Councilmember Quinn has always been an honorable member of the Council and kept Councilmembers on task and wished him great success. He said elected officials are a like a team for Norman and although they may not always agree, they respect each others opinions and come together for the good of the community. He said Norman's motto is "An Inclusive Community" and inclusive does not mean only getting along with people you agree with. It means everyone in the community has a place in the community and he feels strongly that people need to look beyond labels to see people with ideas, hopes, and dreams. He said Norman needs to come together as a community on issues that challenge the community and do what is right for the future by respecting one another.

Miscellaneous Discussion, continued:

Councilmember Ezzell welcomed Councilmembers Jungman and Williams to the Council. He said it has been a privilege to know and serve with Councilmember Dillingham. He said he would miss serving with Councilmember Quinn as he was an inspiration when it came to chairing committee meetings. He wished both Councilmembers the best.

Councilmember Jungman congratulated and thanked Councilmember Dillingham for her service on Council. He thanked his family for their support during his campaign as well as his supporters and said he is looking forward to serving Norman.

Councilmember Spaulding welcomed the new Councilmembers. He said the last year serving on Council has been the most fulfilling year of his life and felt serving on Council would be fulfilling for them as well. He said he did not go to Norman Public Schools so he did not know Councilmember Quinn as well as other Norman citizens, but, not long ago, as he was going through some trying times on Council, Councilmember Quinn told him not to take citizens remarks personally. He appreciated that advice and said that advice has helped him grow as a person. He said one of his regrets in life was not having gone to law school and he has enjoyed Councilmember Dillingham's legal perspectives during Council meeting debates and he would miss her.

Councilmember Griffith welcomed the new Councilmembers and said although the learning will be intense, it will also be a very exciting time. He thanked those who helped and supported him during his re-election bid. He said when he decided to run for office, Councilmember Quinn was the first person he called for advice and was told serving on Council would be time consuming, but rewarding and he should run. He said he admires Councilmember Quinn's leadership abilities as well as his integrity and wisdom. He said he has truly enjoyed getting to know Councilmember Dillingham and her dialogue on the dais is inspiring. He said she brings the more subtle issues to life and has caused him to rethink his position on issues many times. He said it has been a privilege to serve with both of them and he will miss them.

Councilmember Lockett congratulated the new Councilmembers. She said there is much to learn, but it is an exciting time and she wishes them well. She thanked Councilmembers Dillingham and Quinn for their service. She said Councilmember Quinn has helped her immensely during her tenure and she will never hear "Shop Norman" without thinking of him. She said she has enjoyed her conversations with Councilmember Dillingham and truly appreciated her enthusiasm and interest in the community. She wished them both well.

Councilmember Williams thanked his family and for their support and help during his campaign as well as his supporters. He thanked Ms. Jackie Farley, his opponent, and wished her the best. He thanked Councilmember Quinn for his leadership and setting a great example for him to follow. He said Councilmember Quinn defined community service through his years with the school system and serving on Council.

Mayor Rosenthal welcomed the new Councilmembers and her one piece of advice would be to pay attention to their families because it is a sacrifice for families when loved ones serve their community. She thanked Councilmembers Dillingham and Quinn's spouses for sharing them with the public. She said there is a distinction in Congress about work horses and show horses. There are some members of a legislative body who are always the first to volunteer, roll up their sleeves, put their shoulder to the plow, and are there everyday pulling for progress and Councilmembers Dillingham and Quinn are such individuals. They have been hard working individuals and they will be missed.

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Fourth of July. Councilmember Spaulding urged citizens to spend time with their families on the Fourth of July in celebration of the nation's birthday.

Councilmember Williams wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July.

Mayor Rosenthal said tomorrow is the Fourth of July and there are many events going on in Reaves Park. She said this is a great opportunity for the community to join together to celebrate the birth of our country and encouraged everyone to attend.

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Shop Norman. Councilmember Williams said he has to close his discussion with, "Shop Norman."

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilmember Kovach moved that the meeting be adjourned, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Griffith, and the question being upon adjournment of the meeting, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Councilmembers Griffith, Jungman,
Kovach, Lockett, Spaulding, Williams,
Mayor Rosenthal

NAYES: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor