

NORMAN ELECTION COMMISSION MINUTES

August 3, 2015

The Norman Election Commission of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, met in the Municipal Building Conference Room at 201 West Gray on the 3rd day of August, 2015, at 2:05 p.m. Notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at the Municipal Building 48 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Robin Allen Richard Hilbert Elizabeth Pierce Elizabeth Windes Ty Hardiman, Chairman
MEMBERS ABSENT:	None
OTHERS PRESENT:	Brenda Hall, City Clerk

Item 2. Approval of minutes from the May 4, 2015, meeting. Member Hilbert moved that the minutes from the May 4, 2015, meeting be approved, which motion was duly seconded by Member Allen;

Items submitted for the record

1. Norman Election Commission minutes of May 4, 2015

and the question being upon approving the minutes from the August 4, 2015, meeting a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes, and Chairman Hardiman
NAYES:	None

Chairman Hardiman declared the motion carried and the minutes from the May 4, 2015, meeting was approved.

Chairman Hardiman said at the last meeting, the Norman Election Commission (NEC) had a discussion regarding open candidate committees needing to file final reports to close out their paperwork. Ms. Brenda Hall, City Clerk, said she will check all reports from past Councilmembers to see if there are any others that have funds on paperwork that needs to be closed out and will provide that information at the next meeting in November.

Chairman Hardiman said another issue from the last meeting was Senate Bill 438, which at that time had not been adopted, but since has been adopted and signed by the Governor. The Bill states a Municipality can create an election ordinance, a commission to oversee elections, and an enforcement body that basically steps out of the State Ethics Commission oversight. He does not know if the NEC would want to take that on, but they can have a discussion on that topic at the next meeting and if the Commission so desires, make it a goal of 2016 to evaluate the Bill and discuss what steps NEC would like to take next.

Item 3. Review of Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reports from the following:

Friends of Cindy Rosenthal
Greg Heiple for Ward 1
Clint Williams for Norman
Castleberry for Ward 3
Lynne Miller for Norman City Council Ward 5
Friends of Jerry Lang
Holman for Norman
Allison for Ward 8

Member Hilbert moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends of Cindy Rosenthal be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Allen;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends for Cindy Rosenthal received July 14, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends of Cindy Rosenthal, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes, and
Chairman Hardiman

NAYES: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends of Cindy Rosenthal was accepted.

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Greg Heiple for Ward 1

Member Hilbert moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Greg Heiple for Ward 1 be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Allen;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Greg Heiple for Ward 1 received July 14, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Greg Heiple for Ward 1, a vote was taken with the following result:

Item 3, continued:

YEAS: Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes, and
Chairman Hardiman

NAYES: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Greg Heiple for Ward 1 was accepted.

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Item 3, continued:

Clint Williams for Norman

Member Hilbert moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Clint Williams for Norman be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Windes;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Clint Williams for Norman received July 14, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Clint Williams for Norman, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes,
and Chairman Hardiman

NAYES: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Clint Williams for Norman was accepted.

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Castleberry for Ward 3

Member Hilbert moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Castleberry for Ward 3 be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Allen;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Castleberry for Ward 4 received July 14, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Castleberry for Ward 3, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes,
and Chairman Hardiman

NAYES: None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Castleberry for Ward 3 was accepted.

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Item 3, continued:

Lynne Miller for Norman City Council Ward 5

Member Hilbert moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Lynne Miller for Norman City Council Ward 5, as corrected, be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Windes;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Lynne Miller for Norman City Council Ward 5 received July 31, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Lynne Miller for Norman City Council Ward 5, as corrected, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes, and Chairman Hardiman
NAYES:	None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Lynne Miller for Norman City Council Ward 5, as corrected, was accepted.

There was some confusion on Lynne Miller's report regarding the beginning balance, which appeared to be the aggregate total of contributions received opposed to the carry over amount. Ms. Hall said she would follow up with Lynne Miller and get the reported corrected to reflect the correct reporting period totals. Chairman Hardiman said NEC will accept the report's contributions and expenditures, Schedules A and E, total balance of \$5,274.26.

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Friends of Jerry Lang

Member Allen moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends of Jerry Lang be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Windes;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends of Jerry Lang received July 31, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends of Jerry Lang, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes, and Chairman Hardiman
NAYES:	None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Friends of Jerry Lang was accepted.

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Item 3, continued:

Holman for Norman

Member Hilbert moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Holman for Norman be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Windes;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Holman for Norman received July 31, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Holman for Norman, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes, and Chairman Hardiman
NAYES:	None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Holman for Norman was accepted.

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Allison for Ward 8

Member Hilbert moved that the Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Allison for Ward 8 be accepted, which motion was duly seconded by Member Windes;

Items submitted for the record

1. State of Oklahoma, County of Cleveland, Municipal Candidate Committee Contributions and Expenditures Report for Allison for Ward 8 received July 21, 2015

and the question being upon accepting the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Allison for Ward 8, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Members Allen, Hilbert, Pierce, Windes, and Chairman Hardiman
NAYES:	None

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report for Allison for Ward 8 was accepted.

Item 4. Discussion and possible action regarding the Final Election Report to be submitted to City Council.

Ms. Hall said under the ordinance, NEC is required to submit a preliminary report within 40 days of an election and the final report within 90 days, which was designed to give Council a report after all the final reports have been submitted for the election period that included notations, issues, etc., and nothing further was done until the next Spring election period. Now the reports are submitted quarterly so the final election report will not exactly be a final report, but it will still be a total encompassing report for the most recent election. Generally, NEC writes a summary report that goes with all documentation and campaign reports for the election period. This year's final report will be a compilation of the work NEC has done as a body this year.

Chairman Hardiman said with NEC's permission he will write a summary regarding the events of the election and attend the Council meeting as a representative of NEC should there be questions from Council. All campaign reports will be submitted with the summary for Council's review at the August 25, 2015, meeting. Members concurred that Chairman Hardiman would write the summary for the final report and represent NEC at the Council meeting.

Item 5. Miscellaneous Discussion.

Ms. Hall said the next NEC meeting date will be November 2, 2015. Chairman Hardiman said NEC will review the third quarter reports as well as set a meeting calendar for the 2016 election cycle.

Ms. Hall said NEC used to meet at the end of December or first of January to put together candidate materials for orientation of candidates when they filed in January and she could put a packet together for the November meeting if NEC wants to review that as well and members agreed.

Item 6. Adjournment.

Chairman Hardiman declared the meeting be adjourned at 2:40 p.m.