



CITY OF THE VILLAGE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 16, 2023

The City Council of the City of The Village, Oklahoma, met in regular session at City Hall on Monday, October 16, 2023 at 6:32 pm.

A recording of this meeting is available for review on our YouTube channel at this [link](#).

**Council Present**

Bubba Symes, Mayor  
Sean Cummings, Vice-Mayor  
David Bennett, Councilmember  
Sonny Wilkinson, Councilmember  
Melodie Moore, Councilmember (*arrived 8:12 pm*)

**Staff Present**

Dave Slezickey, City Manager  
Beverly McManus, City Treasurer  
Lisa Hardin, Assistant City Attorney

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Symes called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Mayor Symes gave the invocation and led the Pledge.

**3. COMMUNITY COMMENTS:**

Abigail Stout, Director of the Village Branch Library provided an update on fall activities at the library to include a scavenger hunt, system wide book club, and Experience Passes for free admission to local museums and art galleries.

Jane Lowther commented on the Manchester and Vineyard intersection, the Havermill Place paving project, Trick or Treat night, and Halloween Décor on residences in the community. She also presented forms from the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office to list medications and notifications for contacts for community members.

**4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA.** Any Council member may, by request to the Mayor, pull any item listed below for further consideration and/or discussion.

- A. Minutes of regular meeting held on September 18, 2023.
- B. Acceptance of Claims for the month of September 2023.

Councilmember Wilkinson made the motion to approve with a second from Councilmember Bennett.

**VOTE:** YES-Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson, NO-None  
**Motion passed 4-0**



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**5. CONSIDERATION OF [MULTI JURISDICTIONAL TACTICAL UNIT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH OKLAHOMA COUNTY](#)**

Following a presentation from TVPD Lt. Green and Cpl Cary, Councilmember Wilkson made the motion to approve the Agreement, authorizing Police Chief Russ Landon to execute the documents with a second from Councilmember Cummings.

**VOTE:** YES-Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson NO-None

**Motion passed 4-0**

**6. CONSIDERATION OF [RESOLUTION 09-18-2023 \(A\) REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEMBERS](#)**

Following discussion the reappointments of existing members Jeremy Crook, Anita Reaves, and David Glover, and consideration of Rachel Jackson to serve on the Commission, Councilmember Wilkinson made the motion to appoint Jeremy Crook, Anita Reaves and David Glover to a term expiring June 30, 2023 with a second from Councilmember Cummings.

**VOTE:** YES-Bennett, Cummings, Symes, Wilkinson NO-None

**Motion passed 4-0**

**7. DISCUSSION REGARDING [ESTABLISHING A FORMAL PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENTS BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS](#)**

Discussion involved a structured process for filling vacancies and appointments for standing and temporary committees, board and commissions. A suggestion that will be brought back to the Council in a policy format is for staff to identify a vacancy, notify council members for potential candidates with a summary of duties and expectations. Council members will submit names of those willing to serve, and will create a short list for consideration for candidates to visit with the Council at a meeting. Following the visit, nominations will be placed on the agenda as an action item.

**No action taken, discussion item only**

**8. REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, ETC.**

The Treasurer's, City Manager's and City Attorney's Reports were presented with discussion with the Council.



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Councilmember Bennett provided an update on ACOG activities with E911, air quality standards, navigable water ways, REAP grants, and legislative activity.

Councilmember Wilkinson commented on an increase in RVs and boats parked out of compliance with City Code; an unpleasant odor coming from the sewer main; supported a new location for the Oklahoma County Detention Center; traffic concerns on private property at the Walmart Neighborhood Market and new Viridian Coffee; complimented the Police Department on their training and culture; and complimented the city manager.

Councilmember Cummings wished everyone a Happy Halloween and complimented the Milling and Overlay Street Improvement Project. He also inquired about ADA compliant equipment on the playground upgrade projects at Duffner and Wayne Schooley Parks.

Councilmember Moore arrived at 8:12 pm.

Mayor Symes complimented the Police Department on their professionalism and service to the community. He advised that a local resident had spoke to him about donating materials and labor to enhance the dog run at the animal control facility.

Councilmember Moore commented on the Item 6 action approved by Council.

**9. NEW BUSINESS.**

No new business present.

**10. ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business, Mayor Symes adjourned the meeting at 8:26 pm.

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Bubba Symes, Mayor

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Attest:

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City Clerk