

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BLACKWELL CITY COUNCIL
BLACKWELL, OKLAHOMA
March 8, 2016**

Pursuant to the legal notice as is required by the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, including the posting of notice and agenda on March 4, 2016, as is required by the terms thereof, the Blackwell City Council of the City of Blackwell met in session at 12:00 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall located at 221 West Blackwell, Blackwell, Oklahoma.

Present: Richard Braden, Councilor Ward 1
Jon Webb, Vice-Mayor Ward 2
Tom Beliel, Councilor Ward 3
T.J. Greenfield, Councilor Ward 4
Chip Outhier, City Manager
Cynthia Neumayer, City Clerk

Absent: Max Wirtz, Mayor
Bryce Kennedy, Attorney

Others Present: Traci Hanebrink, Accounts Payable-Payroll; Merry Crough, Administrative Secretary and 6 Citizens

1. Call to Order

Vice Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

2. Opening Ceremonies

None

3. Council Comments

None

4. Business:

A. Discussion and Possible action on Development of Goals, Projects and Objectives for the 2016 – 2017 year.

Council discussed what they felt was the highest of priority.

Water was at the top of the list as priority. Discussions included high complaint areas along with New Industry requirements. The cost of hiring a 2nd water crew versus contracting was considered in how to resolve the issues.

Streets were discussed as the next priority. Streets notable for repairs were 6th Street, 13th street, 20th Street, and 29th Street. The ability for the streets to hold up under the truck traffic was of concern.

B Street Ballfields were discussed along with drainage issues.

Sidewalks from Main to 13th on Doolin was discussed. Grant funds were being sought for this project, with an estimated cost of 700,000. The Grant Application was pushed back to April. Also discussed was Ferguson from Main to the Elementary School.

Use of the Armory was brought up as the departments were looking for room for equipment and personnel.

Fairgrounds brought about conversation on what types of buildings were needed. Whether the buildings should be repaired or replaced. What types of situations could the building be used for? There was a concern about keeping the home town charm to the buildings.

Parks and what should be located in each of them were discussed. The need for more parking was expressed.

No Action was Taken

5. Manager Comments

None

6. New Business

7. Adjournment

Vice Mayor Webb adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Cynthia Neumayer, City Clerk