MINUTES TOWN OF SLAUGHTERVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES Regular Meeting June 17, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Easom called the meeting of the Town of Slaughterville Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. on June 17, 2025. The meeting was held at the Slaughterville Town Hall at 10701 US Highway 77 and was conducted pursuant to the State Open Meeting Law with due and proper notice provided. Notice of the meeting was given by posting an agenda on June 13, 2025.

2. ROLL CALL, DECLARATION OF A QUORUM BEING PRESENT

LEAH GRADY	PRESENT
BRAD LUBY	PRESENT
KATHY SNELLBAKER	PRESENT
STEVE EASOM	PRESENT
VACANT	ABSENT

A quorum was established. Also present were Town Administrator Carol Lance, Town Treasurer Chris Edwards and Attorney Bryce Kennedy.

3. <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION</u>

The mayor_led the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Easom gave the invocation.

4. <u>CITIZEN COMMENTS</u>

Anyone who has an item of business to present to the Slaughterville Board of Trustees is requested to sign in prior to the meeting and will be called upon to speak by the mayor or presiding officer. Those addressing the Trustees are to come to the podium to speak. Presentations are limited to three (3) minutes. Due to Open Meeting Act regulations, Trustees are not able to participate in discussion during citizen comments. Remarks should be made to the Board of Trustees as a whole. All citizen comments must directly pertain to an agenda item, if no such item appears on the agenda, it cannot be discussed.

No Comments from the public were made.

5. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are deemed to be non-controversial and routine in nature by the governing body. Items will be approved by one motion of the governing body. Items listed will not be discussed. Any member of the governing body desiring to discuss an item on the Consent Agenda may request it be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed in its proper order on the regular agenda for consideration.

- a) Approval of minutes from June 3, 2025 special meeting.
- b) Approval of the May 2025 financial reports.
- c) Approval of renewal of Bond # 64752051 for the town Treasurer.

Motion by Leah Grady and seconded by Steve Easom to approve consent agenda items a, b and c.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

6. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Any items pulled from the consent agenda will be discussed and consider action to amend, deny, or approve.

None

7. REPORTS

This section is intended for the listed organization(s), staff, and Town Administrator to report and make announcements concerning municipal or community matters.

a) Report from the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office.

MSgt. Graham gave a report of 355 total calls for the Slaughterville area in May. Six (6) Auto Accidents reported for the month of May

b) Report from the Fire Department.

Chief Tolson reported a total of 30 fire runs for the month of May, which included 1 building fire, 11 medical assists, 3 motor vehicles accidents, 5 persons in distress and 3 controlled burns.

Next week the new tanker will be ready.

c) Report from the Planning and Development Department.

There is no report, but it's been quite active in finalizing permits and a couple of very tall grass complaints and dog complaints.

d) Report from the Town Administrator.

- The 2024 REAP grant is complete except for receiving the final reimbursement
- payment of \$34,177.50. •
- We were notified that we were not awarded the Forestry 80/20 grant for fire equipment.
- The water pressure tank went out over at the park and had to be replaced.
- July 5th will be our fireworks display this year.
- July 7th will be an informal town hall Question & Answer time with Mayor Easom and Trustee Luby.
- As we navigate through the process of hiring staff, I want to give a special thank you to volunteers for assisting here in the town hall office! You know who you are!

8. **DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS**

a) Update from Town Attorney on Town Business, including Contract with Lowes Construction, Agreement for Hazardous Waste Disposal Agreement, Animal Sanctuary land use and planning issue and Wilson Land Purchase and Direct action as may be appropriate.

Per the Attorney, the Lowes Construction contract looks good. Bonds have been received, except for the maintenance bond.

Hazardous Waste Agreement is required if we want our residents to be able to take their Non-Commercial Hazardous Waste to Midwest City,

Animal Sanctuary issue is being looked at and can soon be presented to the Planning and Zoning Board,

The Wilson Land purchase abstract is being updated, then will go to a Title Attorney to be prepared for closing

b) Discussion and/or action to use escrow funds to reduce the premium for the 2025-2026 Workers' Compensation renewal.

Motion by Steve Easom and seconded by Brad Luby to approve using \$2,000.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

c) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01 OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF SLAUGHTERVILLE, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING PART 2, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-203 OF THE SLAUGHTERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE 2024, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION G, PROVIDING THAT THE TOWN CLERK, WHO IS CURRENTLY ELECTED, WOULD BE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AND SUBJECT TO REMOVAL BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, WITH THIS APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL PROCEDURE IMPLEMENTED AT THE END OF THE TERM OF THE DULY ELECTED TOWN CLERK IN 2027, ALL AS MORE SPECIFICALLY SET OUT IN ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01 OF SAID TOWN; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; SAVINGS; CODIFICATION; SEVERABILITY; EFFECTIVE DATE/VOTER APPROVAL **REQUIRED;** DECLARING AN **EMERGENCY.**

A Motion was made by Steve Easom and seconded by Brad Luby to approve Ordinance No. 2025-01, Voter approval required.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

d) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY CLAUSE OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01

Motion was made by Brad Luby and seconded by Kathy Snellbaker to declare an emergency.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

e) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO 2025-01 AUTHORIZING THE CALLING AND HOLDING OF AN ELECTION IN THE TOWN OF SLAUGHTERVILLE, STATE OF OKLAHOMA (THE "TOWN"), FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID TOWN THE QUESTION OF APPROVAL OR REJECTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01 OF THE TOWN, WHICH PROVIDES THAT THE TOWN CLERK, WHO IS CURRENTLY ELECTED, WOULD HEREINAFTER BE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AND REMOVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, WITH THIS APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL PROCEDURE IMPLEMENTED AT THE END OF THE TERM OF DULY ELECTED TOWN CLERK IN 2027, ALL AS OTHER PROVISIONS AS MORE SPECIFICALLY SET OUT IN ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01 OF SAID TOWN; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO.

A Motion was made by Brad Luby and seconded by Steve Easom to approve Resolution 2025-01.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

f) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ELECTION PROCLAMATION AND NOTICE CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2025, ON THE PROPOSITION OF SHOULD THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF SLAUGHTERVILLE, OKLAHOMA, WHO IS CURRENTLY ELECTED, BE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion was made by Brad Luby and seconded by Steve Easom to approve the Proposition to put the question of electing vs. appointing the Town Clerk.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

g) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025-02 OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF SLAUGHTERVILLE, OKLAHOMA, REPEALING SUBSECTION H OF SECTION 13-120 OF PART 13, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1 OF THE SLAUGHTERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE 2024; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion was made by Brad Luby and seconded by Kathy Snellbaker to approve repealing subsection H of section 13-120 of part 13, chapter 1, article 1 of the Slaughterville municipal code 2024.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

h) CONSIDER ENACTING THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025-02.

Motion was made by Leah Grady and seconded by Kathy Snellbaker to declare an emergency.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

i) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF SLAUGHTERVILLE, OKLAHOMA, NOTIFYING THE SECRETARY OF THE CLEVELAND COUNTY ELECTION BOARD THAT THERE WILL BE A NONPARTISAN SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025, FOR THE ELECTION OF ONE (1) TRUSTEE FOR A TWO (2) YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM; PROVIDING THAT CANDIDATE FOR THE TRUSTEE OFFICE MUST BE A RESIDENT AND REGISTERED VOTER WITHIN THE TOWN OF SLAUGHTERVILLE FOR AT LEAST SIX (6) MONTHS PRIOR TO FILING A DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY; PROVIDING FOR THE DATES OF THE FILING PERIOD FOR SUCH NONPARTISAN SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND ISSUING THE ELECTION PROCLAMATION

A Motion was made by Brad Luby and seconded by Kathy Snellbaker to approve calling for a special election.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

j) APPROVE ADVERTISEMENT FOR TOWN CLERK AND DIRECT ITS PUBLICATION.

The motion was made by Brad Luby and seconded by Steve Easom to approve the publication.

YEA: GRADY, LUBY, SNELLBAKER, EASOM NAY: NONE

9. <u>REMARKS AND INQUIRIES BY TRUSTEES AND TOWN STAFF</u>

Brad Luby – I ran a clean campaign. When he ran his campaign, he never mentioned any individual, just the issues. Trustee Dicksion made a false statement at the town meeting on May 23. He stated that Brad benefitted from repealing the Vendor Permit ordinance. Brad stated he did NOT benefit from it. He'd be happy to debate the issues but character assassination will not be tolerated. If Mr. Dicksion wants to bury the hatchet he must make a public apology at a board meeting.

Kathy Snellbaker -- If you are interested in the Town Trustee position the dates to submit your candidate filing is July 28, 29 & 30th.

10. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Mayor Easom adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm.

Approved on the 15th of July 2025.

Attest:

Mayor

Town Clerk