

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE MAYOR'S CITIZEN'S CO-OPERATIVE ADVISORY BOARD**

**TUESDAY MARCH 09, 2021
5:30 PM**

**MIAMI CIVIC CENTER – BANQUET ROOM
129 5th Avenue Northwest, Miami, Oklahoma**

Chairman Bless Parker has called a Special Meeting of the Mayor's Citizen's Co-Operative Advisory Board for Tuesday, March 09, 2021 at 5:30PM in the Miami Civic Center located at 129 5th Ave NW, Miami, Oklahoma. The meeting may include teleconferencing or videoconferencing with the following members possibly appearing remotely:

- a. Chairman Bless Parker (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- b. Board Member Josh Fleming (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- c. Board Member Sara McQuigg (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- d. Board Member Josh Brinkley (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- e. Board Member Lacey Perry (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- f. Board Member Eli Chenoweth (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- g. Board Member Colby Allen (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- h. Board Member Chief Ethel Cook (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- i. Board Member Amanda Davis (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- j. Board Member Thomas Anderson (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)
- k. Board Member Brian Estep (By Teleconference or Videoconference or In Person)

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk and displayed in the main lobby of the Miami Civic Center and by posting on www.miamiokla.net starting at 3:20 AM/PM on March 04, 2021, pursuant to 25 O.S. § 311(9) (a) and (b).


Melissa Moore, City Clerk



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129 5th Avenue Northwest, Miami, Oklahoma**

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THE BOARD MAY DISCUSS, CONSIDER, VOTE ON, AND/OR MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON ANY ITEM LISTED IN THIS AGENDA:

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| 1. Call to Order | Chairman Parker |
| 2. Pledge of Allegiance | Chairman Parker |
| 3. Approve Minutes: February 23, 2021 (Special) | Board |
| 4. Community Event Ideas | Board |
| 5. Discussion of Business Opportunities | Chairman Parker |
| 6. Adjournment | Board |

The Mayor's Citizen's Co-Operative Advisory Board is committed to making this meeting accessible to all citizens and if special assistance or accommodations are required, please submit your request to the city manager's office. We also ask that those in attendance turn off or place on silent all cell phones or pagers.

THE MAYOR'S CITIZEN'S CO-OPERATIVE ADVISORY BOARD MET IN SPECIAL SESSION FEBRUARY 23, 2021, IN THE MIAMI CIVIC CENTER AT 5:30PM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bless Parker, Chairman	Bo Reese, City Manager
Eli Chenoweth, Board Member (Absent)	Ben Loring, City Attorney
Amanda Davis, Board Member	Melissa Moore, City Clerk
Thomas Anderson, Board Member	
Chief Ethel Cook, Board Member	
Colby Allen, Board Member	
Josh Fleming, Board Member	
Lacey Perry, Board Member	
Sara McQuigg, Board Member	
Josh Brinkley, Board Member (Absent)	
Brian Estep, Board Member (Departed at 6:17PM)	

Notice of a special meeting of the Mayor's Citizen's Co-Operative Advisory Board, Miami, Oklahoma, called by Chairman Bless Parker, was displayed in the main lobby of the Miami Civic Center and by posting on www.miamiokla.net starting at 11:45AM on February 18, 2021, pursuant to 25 O.S. §311(9) (a) and (b) and the agenda was displayed and posted in the same manner on February 22, 2021, at 4:30PM.

THE BOARD MAY DISCUSS, CONSIDER, VOTE ON, AND/OR MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON ANY ITEM LISTED IN THIS AGENDA:

Call to Order the Mayor's Citizen's Co-Operative Advisory Board

Chairman Parker called the meeting to order at 5:33PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Parker led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Minutes: January 26, 2021 (Special)

Board Member McQuigg moved to approve minutes. Board Member Perry made the second. The Board was polled with the following results:

McQuigg, Aye	Fleming, Aye	Perry, Aye	Allen, Aye	Cook, Abstain
Estep, Abstain	Anderson, Aye	Davis, Aye	Parker, Aye	Brinkley, Absent
Chenoweth, Absent				

Chairman Parker declared the motion carried.

Discussion of Willie Run

Kirk Williams explained the Willie Run started out as a 5K event and has grown into a larger event over the years. Board Member Brian Estep explained the Willie Run has added a 10K run and other events. Last year they had over two hundred (200) runners participate. The event is in July and starts at 8:00AM. Board Member Ethel Cook offered to donate water for the event. This event could be in conjunction with the event the board is working on.

No action taken.

Discussion of Community Event Ideas

Debbie East, Bobbie Poole, Martha Jordan, Sammy Ketcher, and Shannon Duhon were representing the Ottawa County Musician's Tribute committee. Duhon explained the committee started thinking of a music event and then the idea of hosting a Kansas City Championship BBQ cook off was added. Duhon reported that it takes one (1) year to become a sanctioned site, the advantage to becoming a sanctioned site is that it will draw competition teams from all over the country. The big challenge will be to secure enough volunteers to host a major two (2) day event. There needs to be one (1) judge for every six (6) teams.

Currently there is not a sanctioned BBQ championship event on Rt. 66. Duhon stated that he would be happy to lead the event. Duhon passed around a book that contains all the requirements, such as what fees are owed to the company, providing judges, water stations, sanitation stations, waste station, meat inspector, and prize money. The Kansas City BBQ Championship cost for fifty (50) teams would be three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) in addition to twelve dollars (\$12) per team. A typical entry fee per team would be two hundred dollars (\$200). There was discussion about having a carnival, music festival, food truck competition, Native American dancing, and craft beer competition. Jordan spoke about the Rt. 66 film festival that will take place in May 2022. Duhon mentioned asking Miami Downtown Redevelopment Authority (MDRA) to sponsor another round of plaques on the tribute wall and paying tribute to Lucian Ballard. Board Member Anderson and Board Member Davis recommended to move ahead with planning this event. There was further discussion of having two events – 1) BBQ and beer competition and 2) car show and music festival. The board will bring back potential names to the next meeting. The name needs to have Rt. 66 as the focus.

No action taken.

Discussion of Business Opportunities

Board Member Ethel Cook updated the board that a new inbound call center will be moving into the Market Square shopping plaza. The call center will bring two hundred fifty (250) new jobs to Miami. The starting pay will be eleven dollars an hour (\$11/hr.) plus benefits including profit sharing. Board Member Amanda Davis reported that the hotels were seeing more rooms full due to the increase in construction around the area.

No action taken.

Utility Disconnects Notification, Proper Communication, and Temperature Considerations

Board Member Josh Fleming explained that he is hearing complaints that utility customers are not receiving their utility bill until after the due date. Fleming wanted to know if it would be feasible to extend the shut off day another ten (10) days. Bo Reese explained that the customer's due dates stay the same each month. Reese explained that in 2017 the shut off date was moved from thirty (30) days to ten (10) days due to the increase in unrecoverable debt. By doing this the amount of nonpayment fees for customers were reduced by approximately three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000). Chairman Bless Parker explained that as a customer who has signed a contract, it is the customer's obligation to make sure they pay their bill on time. Board Member Fleming brought up the question of if a customer provides a time and date stamped picture which does not match what their bill shows is that sufficient proof to get the bill adjusted. Tyler Cline and city staff are working diligently to locate funding to install smart meters. There will need to be a lot of education for the public about the smart meters before they are installed. The city staff will come back with information on whether the re-read standard could be changed from a fixed number to a fixed percent. The city staff will also come back with research on policies for shut offs in extreme temperatures.

No action taken.

Adjournment

Board Member Davis moved to adjourn. Board Member Cook made the second. The Board was polled with the following results:

Davis, Aye	Cook, Aye	Anderson, Aye	Allen, Aye	Perry, Aye
McQuigg, Aye	Fleming, Aye	Parker, Aye	Estep, Absent	Brinkley, Absent
Chenoweth, Absent				

Chairman Parker declared the meeting adjourned at 7:26PM.

Chairman Parker

Board Member Chenoweth

Board Member Davis

Board Member Anderson

Board Member Cook

Board Member Allen

Board Member Fleming

Board Member Perry

Board Member McQuigg

Board Member Brinkley

Board Member Estep

ATTEST: _____
Melissa Moore, City Clerk