

MINUTES
CLEVELAND CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, June 4, 2019

Members of the Cleveland City Council met in a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m., June 4, 2019, in the conference room at the Cleveland City Hall, 105 West Caddo, Cleveland, Oklahoma with Mayor Scott Rusher presiding. The agenda for this meeting was posted on the front door of Cleveland City Hall on May 31, 2019, at 7:48 a.m.

There was an additional item added to the agenda on June 3, 2019, and an updated agenda was re-posted on June 3, 2019 at 11:07 a.m.

1. **Call to order.** Mayor Scott Rusher called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.
2. **Roll Call.** City Clerk Michelle Lehnus called the roll with the following members present:
Present: Scott Rusher (left at 1:34 p.m.), Lee Merrifield, Mike Carroll, David Carter
Absent: Brian Torres (arrived at 2:23 p.m.)
3. **Receive governing board training from Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG).** A presentation was conducted by Bill Tackett, David Weatherford, and Aubrey Weatherford. A history of OMAG was given and the benefits offered by OMAG were explained. A stability test was completed by all council members in attendance at the time, the City Manager, and the City Clerk. The presentation covered appropriate items that should be addressed by the governing board and outlined appropriate decisions that should be made by management in order to ensure that the council stays within the scope of the governing board. The presenters opened their presentation to questions and answered questions by the council members that were in attendance. The presenters advised of the possibility of scheduling a planning session to look at the long term plans for the City of Cleveland.
4. **Discussion and possible action on trash and dumping of limbs.** Mayor Rusher provided historical knowledge that the dump established a burn pile three years ago for limbs/brush and that weekend access had initially been given. Mayor Rusher advised that people had gone into the dump during that time and misused the grounds by leaving items that were not limbs/brush; therefore, weekend access was no longer offered. Councilor Merrifield asked that council brainstorm ideas to re-establish weekend access. Mayor Rusher suggested a fence that would limit people to only being able to access the burn pile. Councilor Carter suggested providing weekend coverage on one weekend day per month to allow public access to the dump. Council members agreed that this idea should be tabled until the next regularly scheduled meeting. A motion was made by Mayor Rusher and seconded by Mike Carroll to table this idea until the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 13, 2019. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:
Aye: Scott Rusher, Mike Carroll, Lee Merrifield, David Carter
Nay: None

**** This agenda item was handled prior to agenda item 3. ****

5. Adjournment. A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Carroll and seconded by David Carter. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Aye: Mike Carroll, David Carter, Lee Merrifield, Brian Torres

Nay: None

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



Scott Rusher, Mayor



Annetta Franks, City Clerk