

**CLEVELAND CITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes**  
**Thursday, February 9, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.**

**Members of the Cleveland City Council met in a regular scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday February 9, 2023, in the Council Chambers of the Cleveland Municipal Building located at 201 North Broadway, Cleveland, Oklahoma with Mayor Torres presiding. The agenda for this meeting was posted in the display case located at the front entrance of the City Hall located at 105 W. Caddo, Cleveland, OK 74020.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Brian Torres called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL.** City Clerk Ashley Schulze called roll with the following members present:  
WARD 1- Mike Carroll- Present  
WARD 2- Leland David- Present  
WARD 3- Chris Gabriel- Present  
WARD 4- Brian Torres- Present  
AT LARGE- Damon Lester- Present
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Mayor Torres.
4. **INVOCATION** by Councilman Mike Carroll
5. **CONSENT AGENDA (Items A-D)**

All matters listed under “consent” are considered by the city council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Any Council member may, however, remove an item from the consent agenda by request to be voted on separately.

- A. **Approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on January 12, 2023.**
- B. **Approval of all purchase orders.**
- C. **Approval of the Treasurer’s Report.**
- D. **Approval of adding Leland Davis, Ward 2 Councilman, as signatory on all existing city bank accounts.**

A motion was made by Brian Torres and seconded by Mike Carroll to approve the Consent Agenda Items 5A-5C. The motion carried with the following roll call vote: (5-)

**Aye:** Brian Torres, Chris Gabriel, Damon Lester, Leland Davis, Mike Carroll

**Nay:** None

6. **Consideration, discussion, and possible action to approve or reject the quote for boring underneath highway 64 for sanitary sewer line extension.** Agenda Item tabled.
7. **New Business. New business being defined as any business that could not be foreseen at the time of posting the agenda.** Chris Gabriel mentioned the Cleveland Round Up Club needing support in the near future.
8. **CITY MANAGER’S REPORT. The City Manager will provide updates regarding recent and upcoming events and projects, including events of interest and the general operations of the City.**  
-ARPA funds remaining \$384,858.58.  
-DEQ has been out due to the ongoing problem with flushable wipes in the sewer systems. In the previous months there had been mention about a Grinder out at the waste water plant to help with flushable wipes- looking at other equipment instead of the grinder

- Sales tax up \$20,000 from prior month and prior year
  - Use tax up slightly- buy local or online if unable to buy local
  - Utility billing is up \$74,000 from previous year-all utilities
  - Current Gas for the month \$235,000.00, up \$74000.00 from prior year
  - City Manager, Paul, and John Allen took a trip to Stigler's Water Plant- this plant is the same water plant that Cleveland will have
  - Progress meeting at the Water Plant- start up still planned for mid April
  - February 14 going to Owasso with Brian and Paul for DEQ lead line inventory training
  - FY22-23 Budget numbers looking good overall
  - Brian Torres asked if the city had any programs like IEC Operation Round- Up. Not aware of any that the city could participate in at the moment.
  - February 15- City Hall will be closed for half a day while the clerks take a trip to Pawhuska's City Hall to look at utility software Caselle.
  - Chris Gabriel commented that there have been lots of compliments on the Police and Fire Departments.
  - Mike Carroll asked if there had been any negative feedback on the bill credits for the gas sales tax. City Manager stated that there had not been much feedback.
9. **ADJOURNMENT.** Mayor Torres adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

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Brian Torres, Mayor

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Ashley Schulze, City Clerk