

Minutes of the Atoka City Council Meeting of **February 21, 2023**, 6:00 p.m., Atoka City Hall, 353 East A Street, Atoka, Oklahoma. Original Agenda Posted **February 17, 2023**, at 4:00 p.m., Atoka City Hall, 353 East A Street, Atoka, Oklahoma.

I. Convene Meeting

- A. Meeting Called to Order- 6:00 PM
- B. Welcome- Mayor Brian Cathey
- C. Pledge of Allegiance- Mayor Brian Cathey
- D. Invocation- Mayor Brian Cathey
- E. Roll Call- Council Member Coby Sherrill-absent, Council Member Erica Pogue- absent, Council Member Pat Turner, Council Member Diane McGee, Mayor Brian Cathey
- F. Public Recognition- Carol Ervin, Dale Daniel, Cindy Wallis, Miranda Donihoo, Travis Mullins, Nick Young, Curtis Southern, Destry Mitchell, Keenan English

II. Public Comments - (limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

III. Business Agenda

- A. Public Hearing
- B. Agenda Items

1. Discussion and/or action regarding approving or rejecting the minutes of the meeting of February 6, 2023 (Attachment #1)

A motion was made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 6, 2023. Voting aye, Turner, McGee, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

2. Discussion and/or action regarding accepting or rejecting the City Manager's Report (Attachment #2).

Council Member McGee stated how busy the city has been and expressed appreciation for all the hard work, as did Mayor Cathey.

A motion was made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to approve the City Manager's Report. Voting aye, Turner, McGee, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

3. Discussion and/or action on approving or rejecting the payment of purchase orders for the City of Atoka for the month of January 2023. (Attachment #3)

A motion was made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to approve the payment of purchase orders for the City of Atoka for the month of January 2023. Voting aye, McGee, Turner, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

4. Discussion and/or action on approving or rejecting the purchase of equipment needed for the two new Police Department Units in the amount of \$26,205.00. (Attachment #4)

City Manager, Danny Delay, explained that this purchase is to fully equip the first two units purchased of the year and once the third unit is delivered, another item will be presented to the council.

A motion was made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to approve the purchase of equipment needed for the two new Police Department Units in the amount of \$26,205.00. Voting aye, Turner, McGee, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

5. Presentation by, and discussion with Lochner staff regarding the findings of AQR Site Selection Study for new Airport Project.

Keenan English of Lochner Engineering provided a presentation to the council regarding the findings of the AQR Site Selection Study for the new Airport Project. Mr. English explained that several months ago, he, along with Oklahoma Aeronautics and a committee met to discuss and score six potential Airport sites; handouts were given to the council members depicting a map of the reviewed sites and the scores given to each site based on land availability, Utilities, Airspace Analysis, Surface Analysis, Market Area Proximity, and an Environmental Analysis. It was stated that while a 5,000-foot runway may not be needed right now, the City would need to factor in any future growth. Mayor Cathey explained that the City would need to look into 300-400 acres of land for this project. Mr. English briefed the council on each of the six sites and the scores given by both, Lochner Consultants and the advisory committee selected. Estimates were given on the higher side in order to understand the project. It was stated that a preliminary environmental study was completed, however, once a site is selected there would be a more in-depth analysis. Mr. English stated that site number two was the recommended site based on location being close enough to the city while far enough from heavily populated residential areas. Council Member Turner asked how many landowners would need to be contacted for sites number two and three, at which the answer was two to three landowners. Council Member Turner also asked about the land at the City owns near the Golf Course at which Mayor Cathey explained that this piece of land does not have enough acreage. Mr. English then went on to discuss the next steps in the process being to submit the plans to Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission (OAC) and possibly the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), as well as to begin Phase II which consists of a master plan, design development, financial planning, the demand, and scheduling. The advisory meetings will continue to take place to mark progress. Mr. English then gave an estimated timeline of the process to complete.

C. Public Requested Agenda Items

IV. Consent Agenda Items

V. Executive Session

Proposed Executive Session pursuant to Title 25, Section 5-307(B)(3) to discuss the purchase of real property pursuant to the findings of the AQR Site Selection Study for new Airport Project.

A motion was made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to recess this meeting at 6:45 PM and enter into executive session. Voting aye, Turner, McGee, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

Recessed- 6:45 PM

A motion as made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to reconvene from executive session and enter into regular session at 7:13 PM. Voting aye McGee, Turner, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

Reconvened- 7:13 PM

VI. Return from Executive Session

Mayor Cathey acknowledged that minutes were taken during the executive session.

1. Discussion and/or action on approving the recommendation of the AQR Site Selection Study for new Airport Location

A motion was made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to approve the recommendation of the AQR Site Selection Study for the new Airport Location and select Site 2 and sent to OAC and FAA. Voting aye, Turner, McGee, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

2. Discussion and/or action on approving or rejecting option agreement regarding the purchase of real property pursuant to AQR Site Selection Study for new Airport Project.

No motion made. Item dies for lack of motion.

VII. New Business

VIII. Council Comments

IX. Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member McGee and seconded by Council Member Turner to adjourn this meeting at 7:14 PM. Voting aye, Turner, McGee, and Mayor Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:14 PM

Attest:

Atoka City Council

(seal)

Kayle Wallis, City Clerk

Brian Cathey, Mayor