# HOLDENVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

The Holdenville City Council met for a regularly scheduled meeting at the Holdenville Public Library, 209 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Holdenville, Oklahoma on September 2, at 6:30 p.m.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll call and declaration of quorum.

Present:

Lori Babb, Mayor

Don Merriman, Vice Mayor Mike Dockrey, Councilmember Tammy White, Councilmember Ron Thetford, Councilmember Matt Peters, City Attorney

Theresa Barkhimer, City Manager

Jennifer Hudson, Secretary Jonathon Baxley, City Clerk

- 3. Flag salute.
- 4. Invocation.

Invocation was conducted by Ron Thetford.

5. Communication:

Drones have been flying around the 800-900 block of W. Main Street.

6. Consent Agenda:

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- a. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of the minutes for the meeting held August 19th, 2025.
- b. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of the claims for August 2025.

No discussion. Don Merriman made the motion to approve, and Mike Dockrey seconded the motion.

Ayes: Don Merriman, Mike Dockrey, Lori Babb, and Tammy White.

Abstain: Ron Thetford

7. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement the removal of Jennifer Hudson and add Jonathon Baxley to all city bank accounts signature cards.

No discussion. Don Merriman made the motion to approve, and Mike Dockrey seconded the motion.

Ayes: Don Merriman, Tammy White, Mike Dockrey, Lori Babb, and Ron Thetford.

8. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of blocking off Main Street from Echo to Gulf, North Broadway from Main to 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and South Broadway from Main to Alley. Blocking will be from 7am to 4:30pm on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 for the Annual Fall Festival and Car Show.

No discussion. Don Merriman made the motion to approve, and Mike Dockrey seconded the motion.

Ayes: Tammy White, Mike Dockrey, Don Merriman, Lori Babb, and Ron Thetford.

9. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement to fix true North, South, East, and West street signs throughout the City.

Discussion: Would the City be replacing the whole sign or just letters / stickers? The city has tried just stickers in the past and they have not worked. The city will replace both signs on the same pole so they will not be mismatched. Broadway Street is the border that splits east and west streets.

Motion was made by Mike Dockrey to replace with the most cost-effective quote and to use the reflective, not the flat colored, signs. Tammy White seconded the motion. Ayes: Mike Dockrey, Tammy White, Don Merriman, Lori Babb, and Ron Thetford.

10. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement to permanently close a portion of North Oak Street from East 9th Street to East 10th Street, and East 10th Street from North Oak Street to the existing alley. This closure is for the purposed new gymnasium at Holdenville High School.

Discussion: Superintendent spoke about the project, stating that the closures were for the safety of the students. Homes within 300 feet of the construction will receive notification with a map of the project and will be able to object to the closure. Voting for the project will be next Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made by Ron Thetford pending the outcome of the vote and any objections to the project. Tammy White seconded the motion.

Ayes: Ron Thetford, Tammy White, Don Merriman, Lori Babb, and Mike Dockrey.

11. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of items for surplus bids from Street Department, Cemetery Department, and Lake Department.

1987 Ford Truck – 1FTEF26N9HKB2159 – Needs battery
1987 Chevrolet Truck – 1GBHR4K7HS18135 – Needs maintenance, does not run
1996 CCC Truck – 1CYCAV38XTT042296 – Needs maintenance, does not run
Campbell Hausfeld 220 air compressor
Tiger Special 5600 Sideboom Tractor
Furguson Rubber Tire Roller – 872
Hot oil tank – scrap
Hustler Lawn Mower - 16030174 – Needs hydraulic pump
Two Stihl Weed Eaters – do not run
Two double handled Stihl Weed Eaters – do not run
FLOJET sprayer – does not work
Frame stands – scrap
Dump Truck tailgate – scrap

Discussion: The city will research companies, similar to Purplewave, to help with the sales.

Motion was made by Mike Dockrey pending that the City Council has final approval of all bids. Don Merriman seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mike Dockrey, Don Merriman, Ron Thetford, Tammy White, and Lori Babb.

12. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of the future improvements of the lake house.

Waylon discussed that the lake house needs significant improvements. City spoke about options for the house as a potential Airbnb, restore it completely, or use it as a long-term lease with improvements completed by leaser. There needs to be something done before the house is ruined. The City will look into other cities that do long term leases for property, e.g. Wewoka Lake.

No action taken.

13. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement to have lake permits be deposited into a new special lake beautification fund.

Discussed keeping the funds the way that they currently are, and minutes are needed to create a new fund.

No action taken.

14. Staff report: Jonathon Baxley the new City Clerk. Purchased a new truck for Jim, Department of Labor documents have been turned in. OML conference for mayor, vice-

mayor, and City Manager will attend from September 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>. Employee of the month is John Davenport.

15. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

John Mayor

Jonathon Baxley, City Cl

## HOLDENVILLE INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

The Holdenville Industrial Authority will meet for a regularly scheduled meeting at the Holdenville Public Library, 209 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Holdenville, Oklahoma on September 2, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order.

Meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m.

2. Roll call and declaration of quorum.

Present:

Lori Babb, Chairman

Don Merriman, Vice Chairman

Mike Dockrey, Member Tammy White, Member Ron Thetford, Member Matt Peters, Attorney

Theresa Barkhimer, Manager Jennifer Hudson, Secretary Jonathon Baxley, Clerk

### 3. Communication:

Ron Wiseman will be checking on the status of the cleanup and scrap removal of the "Van Eaton" property, to get a window of completion.

#### 4. Consent Agenda:

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- a. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of the minutes of the meeting held August 19, 2025.
- b. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of the claims for August 2025.

No discussion Mike Dockrey made motion to approve, and Tammy White seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mike Dockrey, Tammy White, Lori Babb, Don Merriman.

Abstain: Ron Thetford

5. Staff Reports: Waiting for an update on the hangar grant.

6. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Lori Babb, Chairman

Jonathon Baxley, Clerk

## HOLDENVILLE PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

The Holdenville Public Works Authority will meet for a regularly scheduled meeting at the Holdenville Public Library, 209 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Holdenville, Oklahoma on September 2, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order.

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. Roll call and declaration of quorum.

Present:

Lori Babb, Chairman

Don Merriman, Vice Chairman

Mike Dockrey, Member Tammy White, Member Ron Thetford, Member Matt Peters, Attorney

Theresa Barkhimer, Manager Jennifer Hudson, Secretary Jonathon Baxley, Clerk

#### 3. Communication:

### 4. Consent Agenda:

These items are placed on the consent agenda so that members of the Holdenville Public Works Authority, by unanimous consent, can designate routine agenda items to be approved by one motion. If any item proposed on the Consent Agenda does not meet with the approval of all members, that item will be removed and heard in regular order.

- a. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of the minutes for meeting held August 19, 2025.
- b. Discuss, approval, acceptance, rejection, amendment and/or postponement of the claims for August 2025.

No discussion Mike Dockrey made motion to approve, and Tammy White seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mike Dockrey, Tammy White, Lori Babb, Don Merriman.

Abstain: Ron Thetford

- 5. Staff report: Purchased new truck for sewer, purchasing a new truck for the meter department, water cutoffs started last week, water collected over \$32,000 of past due payments.
- 6. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Lori Babb, Chairman

Jonathon Baxley, Clerk