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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE TOWN OF SPERRY, OKLAHOMA**

DATE: THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2026
TIME: 6:00 PM
PLACE: CITY HALL
115 N. CINCINNATI
(OLD ARMORY)

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: At this regular meeting, the Board of Trustees will consider, discuss, may take action on, approve, adopt, amend, not approve, reject, deny, table, or take no action on any item listed on this agenda. For the purposes of this agenda, "appropriate action" includes and encompasses all of the possible actions set forth in this Notice, and includes not taking any action on a specific agenda item.

MINUTES

1. MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:35 BY MAYOR ROBERT MORTON.
2. ROLL CALL, DECLARATION OF A QUORUM BEING PRESENT.
PRESENT: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN,
ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
ABSENT: NONE.
3. MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID CASSIDY AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON FEBRUARY 12, 2026, AS SUBMITTED.
VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN,
ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.
4. DISCUSSION REGARDING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. NO DISCUSSION
5. MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID CASSIDY AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THE CLAIMS PRESENTED.
VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN,
ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.

6. MOTION WAS MADE BY MELODY ANDERSON AND SECOND BY GARY CALLAHAN TO RECONSIDER THE ACTION APPROVED AT THE FEBRUARY 12, 2026 REGULAR MEETING REGARDING AGENDA ITEM 8, REZONING APPLICATION NO. Z-2026-01, A PROPOSED REZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED GENERALLY AT 115 N. HIGHWAY 11 SPERRY, OKLAHOMA, WITH A LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PRT N/2 NW SW BEG 122E & 185.56 SELY NWC SW TH SE 194.35 ALG CRV LF TH E 1056.09 N 177.94 W 1140.67 POB SEC 13 21 12 SAID TRACT CONTAINING 194,713 SQUARE FEET OR 4.47 ACRES, MORE OR LESS FROM COMMERCIAL SHOPPING (CS) AND AGRICULTURAL (AG) DISTRICTS TO COMMERCIAL GENERAL (CG) DISTRICT.

RECONSIDERATION:

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.

VOTE: NO: NONE.

MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPROVE REZONING APPLICATION Z2026-01.

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.

VOTE: NO: NONE.

7. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SPERRY, CHANGING AND AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A TRACT OF LAND FROM CS (COMMERCIAL SHOPPING) AND AGRICULTURAL (AG) DISTRICTS TO CG (COMMERCIAL GENERAL) DISTRICT AS SET FORTH IN ZONING APPLICATION NO. Z-2026-01; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION. (PUBLICATION DATE IS SET FOR MARCH 17, 2026 IN THE TULSA WORLD)

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.

VOTE: NO: NONE.

8. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY GARY CALLAHAN TO APPROVE THE REQUESTED SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR UPWARD SPERRY TO HOLD THE 1ST ANNUAL GREASER'S EVENT ON JUNE 13, 2026. THIS EVENT WILL BE LOCATED IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AND WILL POSSIBLY NEED TO HAVE THE AREA STREETS BLOCKED FROM 9 AM UNTIL 6 PM.

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.

VOTE: NO: NONE.

9. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON TO TABLE THE FOLLOWING ITEM: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION RELATED TO THE POSSIBLE STAGING OF A COUNTRY CORNER AMBULANCE IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BAY AREA AND SETTING UP AN AREA FOR THE AMBULANCE PERSONNEL.
10. MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID CASSIDY AND SECOND BY MELODY ANDERSON TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-02, A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE RESIDENTIAL MAIL DELIVERY ROUTES SERVING THE TOWN OF SPERRY, OKLAHOMA.
VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.
11. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON TO TABLE THE FOLLOWING ITEM: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION RELATED TO POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO AMEND THE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL OF THE TOWN OF SPERRY AND SPERRY UTILITY SERVICES AUTHORITY RELATING TO SECTION 404.0, "HEALTH INSURANCE" TO PROVIDE A STIPEND FOR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE OR HEALTH CARE COVERAGE FROM ANOTHER SOURCE AND ELECT TO DECLINE COVERAGE AS AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT.
12. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPROVE SENDING POLICE CHIEF NICK MAHONEY AND ASSISTANT CHIEF KENNETH TRAMMEL TO THE OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE CONFERENCE IN DURANT ON MAY 18, 2026 THROUGH MAY 22, 2026 AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500.00.
VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.
13. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY DAVID CASSIDY TO PURCHASE OF A NEW COMPUTER FOR THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$1,100.00.
VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.

MR. CASSIDY RECOMMENDED AT LEAST 32GB

14. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT AND RELATED DISCUSSION, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PROJECT UPDATES, GRANT UPDATES, AND UPCOMING EVENTS. (RICK RUMSEY)

A. ANNOUNCEMENT: THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL COMBINED MEETING/WORKSHOP FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE SPERRY UTILITY SERVICES AUTHORITY BOARD ON APRIL 11, 2026 AT 9:00 AM AT SPERRY TOWN HALL 115 N. CINCINNATI AVENUE.

B. THE STORM SIRENS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED AND AFTER A COUPLE OF ISSUES, THEY ARE NOW WORKING. WEATHER PERMITTING, WE WILL BE TESTING THE SIRENS EACH WEDNESDAY AT NOON. WE ARE CHECKING ON AN UPDATE TO CONNECT TO THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TO HAVE THEM SET OFF AUTOMATICALLY WHEN WE ARE UNDER A THREAT OF BAD WEATHER.

C. MOWING SEASON HAS STARTED AND JACKIE MCLAIN HAS ALREADY BEEN OUT MOWING WITH THE NEW MOWER.

D. TULSA COUNTY HAS AGREED TO PAVE THE PARKING LOT BY THE FIRE STATION WITH A DRAINAGE SYSTEM TO KEEP THE WATER OUT OF THE FIRE STATION AND THERE WILL BE A SIGN ON THIS PROJECT THANKING TULSA COUNTY FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE.

E. THE FLASHING SCHOOL ZONE SIGN/LIGHTS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE INSTALLED NEXT WEEK BY OSAGE COUNTY.

15. GRANTS UPDATE FROM DEBRA BURCH:

A. ANNOUNCEMENT: THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026, AT 6:00 PM AT TOWN HALL 115 N. CINCINNATI AVENUE TO DISCUSS THE PROJECT FOR THE INDIAN NATIONS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (INCOG) RURAL ECONOMIC ACTION PLAN (REAP) GRANT.

THIS WILL BE AN OPEN MEETING AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IS REQUESTED. THE GRANT IS APPROXIMATELY \$120,000.00 AND THE APPLICATION WILL HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED BY APRIL 10, 2026.

IDEAS FOR THE GRANT INCLUDE:

PURCHASING LAND AND BUILDING A RETENTION POND ON SOUTH OSAGE DRIVE – THIS PROJECT WOULD TAKE ABOUT 4 PHASES,

OR DIVERT THE STORM WATER DOWN 4TH STREET TO CHEROKEE STREET,

OR REPLACING STEEL WATER LINES ON ELGIN STREET.

16. POLICE DEPARTMENT: (NICK MAHONEY)

A. MONTHLY CRIME REPORT

17. FIRE DEPARTMENT:

A. MONTHLY FIRE DEPARTMENT RUN REPORT.

B. THIS ITEM WAS TABLED DUE TO NO SHOW BY TUCKER RIDGE: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION RELATED TO THE APPOINTMENT OF TUCKER RIDGE AS A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER FOR THE SPERRY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

C. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR AN 80/20 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE GRANT TO PURCHASE SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS (SCBA) EQUIPMENT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000.00.

MR. MORTON REQUESTED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO GET QUOTES.

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.

VOTE: NO: NONE.

D. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE RETIREMENT OF FIRE CHIEF BRAD DEAN EFFECTIVE MARCH 11, 2026. MITCH WILLIAMSON HAS BEEN APPOINTED INTERIM FIRE CHIEF.

18. COUNTRY CORNER EMS – MONTHLY REPORT (SAMANTHA GREEN)
COUNTRY CORNER WILL SOON BE OFFERING A CPR CERTIFICATION CLASS FOR THE SPERRY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

19. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY DAVID CASSIDY TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:25 PM TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES, INCLUDING THE EMPLOYMENT, HIRING, APPOINTMENT, AND SALARY OF EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO 25 O.S. SECTION 307 B(1), AND CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE TOWN ATTORNEY CONCERNING PENDING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO 25 O.S. SECTION 307(B)(4), FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE FOLLOWING:

A. DISCUSSION REGARDING TULSA COUNTY COURT CASE CJ-2025-02380 BISHOP LOUIE VS THE TOWN OF SPERRY.

B. DISCUSSION RELATED TO THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF JOEL BARNABY, CURRENT TOWN PROSECUTOR, AS THE MUNICIPAL JUDGE FOR THE TOWN OF SPERRY MUNICIPAL COURT DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF JUDGE BRADFORD BAKER, INCLUDING DISCUSSION RELATED TO A MONTHLY SALARY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

C. DISCUSSION RELATED TO THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF JEFF STEPHENS, CURRENT TOWN ATTORNEY, AS THE PROSECUTOR FOR THE TOWN OF SPERRY MUNICIPAL COURT, IF APPROVED, SETTING A MONTHLY SALARY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

20. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY MELODY ANDERSON TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:55 PM.
VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.

21. READING OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES: DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION, ITEMS A, B AND C WERE DISCUSSED, NO DECISIONS WERE MADE AND NO VOTES WERE TAKEN. JOEL BARNABY AND JEFF STEPHENS WERE CALLED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION THEN DISMISSED. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR RICK RUMSEY WAS PRESENT FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.

22. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION AS A RESULT OF DISCUSSIONS HELD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION RELATED TO:

A. MOTION WAS MADE BY MELODY ANDERSON AND SECOND BY GARY CALLAHAN TO APPOINT JOEL BARNABY AS THE MUNICIPAL JUDGE FOR THE TOWN OF SPERRY MUNICIPAL COURT, SETTING A MONTHLY SALARY OF \$350.00 AND EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.

B. MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID CASSIDY AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPOINT JEFF STEPHENS AS THE PROSECUTOR FOR THE TOWN OF SPERRY MUNICIPAL COURT, SETTING A MONTHLY SALARY OF \$350.00 AND EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN, ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.
VOTE: NO: NONE.

23. MOTION WAS MADE BY MELODY ANDERSON AND SECOND BY PATRICK MCCOTTER TO APPROVE SENDING THE MUNICIPAL JUDGE, JOEL BARNABY, TO THE OKLAHOMA MUNICIPAL JUDGES ASSOCIATION SPRING CONFERENCE ON APRIL 23, 2026 AND APRIL 24, 2026, AT THE FRISCO CONFERENCE CENTER IN CLINTON, OKLAHOMA AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$600.00 FOR REGISTRATION FEES, HOTEL COSTS AND EXPENSES. THIS CONFERENCE FULFILLS THE CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED IN OKLAHOMA STATE STATUTE 11 O.S. §27-104 (OSCN 2024) WHICH IS MANDATORY AS OF JULY 1, 2026.

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN,
ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.


VOTE: NO: NONE.

24. MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT MORTON AND SECOND BY PATRICK
MCCOTTER TO ADJOURN AT 8:04 PM.

VOTE: YES: DAVID CASSIDY, PATRICK MCCOTTER, GARY CALLAHAN,
ROBERT MORTON AND MELODY ANDERSON.

VOTE: NO: NONE.

MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON APRIL 9, 2026.



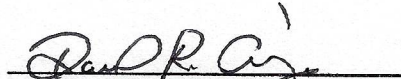
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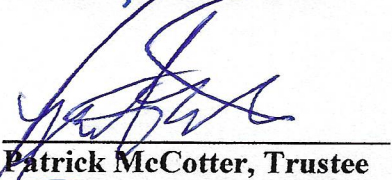
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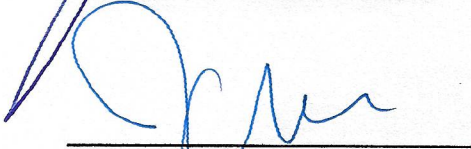
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Jeff Stephens, Attorney
Approved as to form.