

Bass said it s either a lawsuit or a fine. He said we are going to fine them for not bringing their buildings up to code. He said we are looking for direction on what Neighborhood Services can ask them to do legally.

Devine asked, We don t have the code that tells them what they can do, what we can and cannot do?

Vincent said he thinks that s not the direction we are asking.

Powell asked if we were going into executive session on this or not. He said if we re not, we ll talk about it out here. He asked for a vote on the motion at this time.

Shanklin read a letter from Tony Pokorney, President of the Chamber of Commerce. He read the letter stating the beautification of Lawton/Ft. Sill will not happen overnight, it will take years. It stated City Council will be criticized and many property owners who have little, or no regard for the future of Lawton, will cry loud. The letter urged the City Council to stay the course and the Chamber supports them.

VOTE ON MOTION HELD: AYE: Hanna, Shanklin, Haywood, Warren, Bass. NAY: Devine, Ewing-Holmstrom.
MOTION CARRIED

Council adjourned into executive session at 6:05 p.m.

Council reconvened from executive session at 6:37 p.m. with a motion, second, and roll call with all present, except Patton and Ewing-Holmstrom who left during executive session at 6:10 p.m.

BUSINESS ITEMS/EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Pursuant to Section 307B.3 and 307D, Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, consider convening in executive session to discuss the acquisition of property which is needed for the 34th Street Drainage Project, and if necessary, take appropriate action in open session.

Vincent read the title of Item 1 as shown above. He said Council convened in executive session and after discussion, staff recommends a motion to approve a contract with the Osbornes, for acquisition of property needed for the 34th Street Drainage Project.

MOTION by Shanklin, SECOND by Hanna, to approve a contract paying the Osbornes, \$93,000 for their property and allow them to keep any fixtures listed in the contract. AYE: Shanklin, Haywood, Warren, Bass, Hanna, Devine. NAY: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

2. Pursuant to Section 307B.4, Title 25, Oklahoma Statues, consider convening in executive session to discuss the pending investigation of commercial properties identified as being dilapidated together with the courses of action, including litigation, available to enforce the property maintenance code. If necessary, take appropriate action in open session. Exhibits: None.

Vincent read the title of Item 2 as shown above. He said Council convened in executive session and after discussion, no action is required at this time.

Powell said Mitchell and Vincent need a Council meeting on September 4th and asked if Council would prefer 9:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.

Shanklin asked what this was for.

Powell said it s a Special Meeting on Police that s needed.

Shanklin asked what the issue would be.

Vincent said on the arbitration award.

Powell said Vincent will poll everyone and see what time Council wants this meeting and who s going to be there and will set the meeting accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to consider, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m. upon motion, second and roll call vote.

