

# **City of Broken Arrow**

City Hall 220 S 1st Street Broken Arrow OK 74012

Minutes
<b>Broken Arrow Municipal Authority</b>

Chairperson Debra Wimpee Vice Chairman Johnnie Parks Trustee Lisa Ford Trustee Justin Green Trustee David Pickel

Monday, June 2, 2025	<b>Council Chambers</b>
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## 1. Call to Order

Chairperson Debra Wimpee called the meeting to order at 9:13 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

Present: 4 -	David Pickel, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee
Absent: 1 -	Justin Green

## 3. Consideration of Consent Agenda

A.	25-39	Approval of the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority Meeting Minutes of May 20, 2025
В.	25-744	Acknowledgement of submittal of the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority's Solid Waste and Recycling Report for April 2025
C.	25-761	Acknowledgement of submittal of the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority's Water Supply Report for the month of April 2025
D.	25-762	Acknowledgement of submittal of the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority's Wastewater Discharge Monitoring Report for the month of April 2025
E.	25-741	Approval of and authorization to execute an Agreement for the Provision of Services between the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority and the Metropolitan Environmental Trust for operation of the Broken Arrow Recycle Center and for services related to Household Hazardous Waste Collection
F.	25-765	Approval of and authorization to execute a contract with URETEK USA, LLC. For the Tiger Hill Tank Void Fill project 2554480 pursuant State of Oklahoma Statewide Contract SW0721
G.	25-740	Approval of the Waste Management landfill refuse tipping fee rate of \$27.81 per ton and the wastewater treatment plant sludge tipping fee rate of \$36.34 per ton plus the applicable Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality fee
H.	25-764	Approval of and authorization to purchase of one new 12x56 modular office trailer for the Lynn Lane Treatment Plant from BOXXModular pursuant to Sourcewell Contract and approval of and authorization to execute Budget Transfer for Fiscal Year 2025
I.	25-763	Approval of and authorization to execute the purchase of eLynx monitoring equipment with Core & Main and authorization to execute agreement for the SaaS eLynx Monitoring and Equipment Services with eLynx Technologies
J.	25-768	Approval of and authorization to execute Change Order No. 4 with Crossland Heavy Construction for the Lynn Lane Waste Water Treatment Plant Disinfection Improvements (S1905)

- K. 25-690 Approval of and authorization to execute Change Order No. 1 with Landmark Structures for the New Elevated Water Storage Tank (165424) L. 25-766 Notification of City Manager's and Assistant City Manager's execution of Professional Consultant Agreements and Amendments to an Agreement, as well as public Construction Contracts not subject to the Competitive Bid Act, with a Contract value of less than \$50,000 M. 25-792 Ratification of the Claims List Check Register Dated May 29, 2025 MOTION: A motion was made by Johnnie Parks, seconded by Lisa Ford Move to approve the Consent Agenda The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 4 -David Pickel, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee
- 4. Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda NONE

#### 5. Public Hearings, Appeals, Presentations, Recognitions, Awards

#### A. 25-732 Presentation of City of Broken Arrow Annual Solid Waste Program Updates

Solid Waste and Recycling Director Jerry Schuber presented a comprehensive update on the department's progress and initiatives since 2021. The team has collected nearly 291 million pounds of trash and over 31 million pounds of recycling while conducting green waste studies and participating in numerous community events. The department has restructured staffing and routing for greater efficiency, added new equipment, and introduced an online bulky waste scheduling tool that has already been widely adopted by residents. Despite setbacks, such as the 2021 fire at the recycling facility, Schuber credited support from leadership and staff in driving improvements. Recycling volumes have increased significantly, outreach and education efforts have expanded, and operations have become more cost-effective through automation and technology upgrades. Additionally, customer growth of over 9% has driven rerouting efforts, and auditing has ensured accurate service billing. The department has maintained a commitment to service excellence while adapting to city growth and rising operational costs.

The council praised Solid Waste Director Jerry Schuber for his leadership and national recognition, noting his respected role on the Metropolitan Environmental Trust Board and his presentation alongside major cities at a national conference in Las Vegas. Schuber credited his team's excellence for their success. The council also discussed the potential future rollout of a green waste container to replace clear plastic bags, which would enhance cleanliness and efficiency. While some initial resistance was noted due to the inconvenience of storing another cart, the team explained the seasonal nature of green waste and how automation and infrastructure updates support the transition. The city will revisit this as part of broader discussions on service and rate models.

#### 6. General Authority Business

A. 25-783 Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Resolution 1664, a Resolution of the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority (the "Borrower") authorizing a loan from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board in the total aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$26,400,000; approving the issuance of a Series 2025A Promissory Note to Oklahoma Water Resources Board in the total aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$26,400,000, secured by a pledge of revenues and authorizing its execution; designating a Local Trustee; approving and authorizing the execution of a Trust Agreement; approving and authorizing the execution of a Loan Agreement; approving and authorizing the execution of a Security Agreement; ratifying and confirming a Lease Agreement; ratifying and confirming a Sales Tax Agreement; approving and authorizing a Note Purchase Agreement; approving various covenants; approving and authorizing application to the Oklahoma Water Resources Board; approving and authorizing professional services agreements; approving and authorizing payment of fees and expenses; and containing other provisions relating thereto

Tom Cook, from the Finance Department, presented Resolution 1664, which authorizes a loan from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board in an amount not to exceed \$26.4 million. This resolution involves issuing a 2025A promissory note secured by pledged revenues, designating a trustee, and executing multiple related agreements, including a trust agreement, a loan agreement, a security agreement, and a note purchase agreement. It also ratifies existing lease and sales tax agreements, approves covenants, authorizes the loan application, and permits payment for associated professional services. Cook explained that this is a routine process consistent with prior years, with additional staff present to address any questions.

William Kok, a resident, asked for clarification on the resolution, questioning whether the loan is part of an annual process and what its purpose is—specifically if it's used to pre-pay city expenses.

City Manager Michael Spurgeon explained that the loan from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board is part of the city's ongoing capital improvement strategy to maintain and upgrade water and sewer infrastructure. Each year, staff evaluates the system's needs whether related to underground lines, treatment plants, or obligations to the regional RMUA system—and recommends projects totaling around \$20 to \$30 million. Because the city cannot fund these improvements from the regular budget, it borrows the necessary funds through the Water Resources Board, which offers the most cost-effective financing. This process is routine and essential for maintaining system reliability and meeting the demands of growth.

Mr. Kok expressed support for infrastructure improvements but questioned the need to borrow money rather than using existing utility revenues. Mr. Spurgeon explained that while borrowing isn't ideal, it's the most cost-effective and timely method due to the scale and urgency of multimillion-dollar projects. Relying solely on rate increases would delay work, increase future costs, and further burden residents. He emphasized the low-interest nature of loans from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board and clarified that interest only accrues as funds are drawn.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by Johnnie Parks Move to Approve Item 25-783, Resolution 1664, a Resolution of the Broken Arrow Municipal Authority (the "Borrower") authorizing a loan from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board in the total aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$26,400,000; approving the issuance of a Series 2025A Promissory Note to Oklahoma Water Resources Board in the total aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$26,400,000, secured by a pledge of revenues and authorizing its execution; designating a Local Trustee; approving and authorizing the execution of a Trust Agreement; approving and authorizing the execution of a Loan Agreement; approving and authorizing the execution of a Security Agreement; ratifying and confirming a Lease Agreement; ratifying and confirming a Sales Tax Agreement; approving and authorizing a Note Purchase Agreement; approving various covenants; approving and authorizing application to the Oklahoma Water Resources Board; approving and authorizing **professional services agreements; approving and authorizing payment of fees and expenses; and containing other provisions relating thereto.** The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 David Pickel, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

## 7. Remarks and Inquiries by Governing Body Members - NONE

- 8. Remarks and Updates by City Manager and Staff NONE
- 9. Executive Session NONE

## 10. Adjournment

Aye: 4 -

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:38 p.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lisa Ford, seconded by David Pickel
Move to adjourn
The motion carried by the following vote:
David Pickel, Lisa Ford, Johnnie Parks, Debra Wimpee

Chairperson

Secretary