# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PORTER HELD THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025

## 1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Dickey at 6:00 p.m.

### 2. Roll call, declaration of a quorum being present.

Members present were: Kevin Walker, Steve Dickey, and Norma Meyer. Bradah Littlefield and Kristin Eaton were absent. A quorum was present.

Others present were: Jackie Todd, D.J. McLemore, Kimmie Mullen, Dahlita Tracy, Paul Wood, Ted Boswell, Tim Kelley, Kenda Moore, Graham Moore, Whitney Littlefield, and Shirley Herring.

- 3. Discussion and possible action concerning:
  - (a) Approval of having an additional clean up day and setting a time and date for clean up.

Mayor Steve Dickey said the clean up day held on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> went well, but it was rainy and muddy; therefore, he said he would like to extend the clean up day to the next two Saturdays. He said the Town received a good price on the dumpsters. Motion was made by Steve Dickey to extend the clean up day to the include the next two Saturdays. The motion was seconded by Kevin Walker. Voted yes: Norma Meyer, Steve Dickey, and Kevin Walker. Voted no: None. Motion carried.

(b) Purchasing peaches for the Principal Chief and other dignitaries of the

Muscogee Creek Nation for contributions made to the Town.

Mayor Steve Dickey said there was a question as to whether this is a legitimate expenditure of public funds. Town Clerk Shirley Herring said she checked into this, and a Town can only spend public funds for public purposes. She said the question would be if this expenditure is considered a public purpose. She said the Muscogee Creek Nation Motion has contributed a great deal of money to the Town. Shirley said this money has been used for water and wastewater improvements for the benefit of the public; therefore, it may be considered a public purpose to show the Town's appreciation by giving the Principal Chief and other dignitaries peaches. A member of the audience said since there is some concern about the legality of this expenditure, he will personally donate the money to purchase the peaches. No action was taken on this matter.

## (c) Approval of 2024-2025 budget amendment #3.

The Board members looked over this amendment. Motion was made by Norma Meyer to approve 2024-2025 budget amendment #3. The motion was seconded by Kevin Walker. Voted yes: Norma Meyer, Steve Dickey, and Kevin Walker. Voted no: None. Motion carried. 4. Review of contract for the provision of law enforcement services between Wagoner County and the Town of Porter.

The Board members reviewed the contract. Norma Meyer said this was on the agenda before. She said she doesn't think the Town is getting what it is paying for. Mayor Steve Dickey said the contract was originally set up for the Sheriff's Department to give extra help to the Town. He said the Town is not receiving the extra help now. Mayor Steve Dickey said this item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

5. Review of contract between the Town of Porter and Teddy Abbott for legal services.

The Board members reviewed the contract. Mayor Steve Dickey said the attorney is paid a flat fee per month for legal services. He said the attorney attends the regular meetings, but he charges extra for anything he does outside of these meetings, such as answering calls or emails. Mayor Steve Dickey said this item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

6. Review of Porter Fairground Trust Authority.

The Board members reviewed the way this Authority was established. Mayor Steve Dickey said the Porter Fairground Trust Authority was set up as a Trust of the Town of Porter. He said the Trust is supposed to be operated by a five member board with Jackie Todd over this board. Mayor Steve Dickey said he would like to get the fairgrounds back to operating like it was operating in previous years. Mayor Steve Dickey said this item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

## 7. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Steve Dickey to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Norma Meyer. Voted yes: Norma Meyer, Steve Dickey, and Kevin Walker. Voted no: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

STEVE DICKEY, MAYOR

## SHIRLEY HERRING, TOWN CLERK