

The Town of  
**Coyle**

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**Special Session Minutes**

**116 West Main St**

**Coyle, OK 73027**

**Tuesday, March 28, 2023**

Notice for this special meeting for the Town of Coyle, Oklahoma was posted on Friday, March 24, 2023, before 7:00 pm and held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at 7:00 pm in Town Hall located at 116 W Main St, Coyle, OK 73027.

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Carl Long

**Members Present:** Mayor – Carl Long  
Trustee – JoAnn Hale  
Trustee – Dusty King

**Staff:** Linde Vogan – Town Clerk  
Wade Smith – Water Operator

**Guest:** Jan Calvert  
Christie Calvert  
Cheryl Hickman  
Gene Herndon  
Jeanne Dobson  
Jim Dobson  
Linda Waltman  
Grant Cummings  
Tim Ming  
Mark Cline Sr

**Discussion:** Many of our resident's were in attendance to this meeting to discuss the first item on the agenda. The specific questions asked were: why is a named bond instead of a positional bond being asked for? Why the need to call a special meeting this close to the election? Is the Town in jeopardy if it is not passed and if so, what kind of jeopardy are we in? Does this do anything good for our community? On the advice of our attorney, an ordinance is synonymous with a board action which is synonymous with a resolution. A named bond requires individual personal financial information. The insurance company wants to know if the individual has the means to repay the bond. The addition of the not signing checks to the ordinance covers the use of Town credit cards and town

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property which should not be used for personal use. The Town has had several embezzlement issues in the past. The named bond versus the positional bond tells the residents that the Trustees can be bonded for the amount of \$10,000.00. The concern is that this could potentially deter individuals from running because they will not want to give up their personal financial information.

**Proposal of New  
Town Ordinance:**

Dusty stated that the statute does say that the requirement to become a Trustee is just that they have to be a registered voter in Town for six months and adding this ordinance will violate the people of this Town's first amendment rights to elect who they want to. To continue with this vote would be to do so unlawfully.

Motion made by Carl Long to table this until after the election and readdress it at that time

Seconded – JoAnn Hale

Motion carried – Carl Long, Aye, JoAnn Hale, Dusty King, Aye

**Candidate Forum:**

Discussion took place about this event that was held by citizens of the Town. No action was taken.

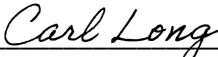
**Adjourned:**

Motion made by Carl Long to adjourn

Seconded – JoAnn Hale

Motion carried – Carl Long, Aye, JoAnn Hale, Dusty King, Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm

  
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Carl Long, Mayor

  
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Linde Vogan, Town Clerk