



**MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 22, 2023 - 12:00-1:00pm
Lawton City Hall - 1st Floor Banquet Room
212 SW 9th Street ~ Lawton, Oklahoma
Chair - Christina Woodson
Secretary - Patricia Williams**

I CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: 12:09

WELCOME NEW COMMISSIONER: Kristen Ward

PRESENT: C. Woodson, K. Matthews, U. Williams, D. Scott, K. Ward
B. Taylor, W. Alberty, L. Ware, M. Scott, D. Parrish, P. Williams, J. Stewart
ABSENT: D. Brewer, L. Watts, M. Meredith, C. Tate, T. Abram, Y. Landmark, C. Sosa

GUESTS: Welcome guests

II INVOCATION and COMMUNITY RESOURCE PRESENTATION: Invocation given by Lady Katrin Johnson

Pastors Kyle and Katrin Johnson - Lawton First Assembly

Pastor Kyle shared programs that Lawton First Assembly will be providing to the public which include; pre-marital and marriage coaching, personal development coaching for youths, and childcare specific to special needs through the Champion Club.

NOTE: Those in attendance are not required to join in prayer if they feel uncomfortable doing so. All are encouraged to offer a silent prayer in their heart in accordance with their faith and belief.

T. Abram enters 12:19

III WOMEN IN BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT:
Anabela's Scents, LLC - Carlotta Frazier

A local woman and veteran owned business shared their business and products with Commissioners.

IV BUSINESS:

- A) **MINUTES:** Consider approval of the June 27, 2023 Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women minutes. (Copy of minutes filed with the Office of the City Clerk)

Motion to approve minutes by: U, Williams

Second: K. Ward

Further discussion: None

Taylor called the roll: 10Y, 0 N, 2 Abstain (P. Williams, L. Ware). Motion Carries

- B) **FINANCIALS:** Consider approval of the financial statement prepared for July 1, 2023. (Copy of financial statements filed with the Office of the City Clerk)

Motion to approve financial statement prepared July 1, 2023 by: K. Ward

Second: M. Scott

Further discussion: None

Taylor called the roll: 10Y, 0 N, 2 Abstain (U. Williams, W. Alberty). Motion Carries

- C) OUTSTANDING CITIZEN NOMINATIONS:** Consider approval of Outstanding Citizen nomination for Rick Small.

C. Woodson shared some background on Rick Small with the Commissioners. C. Woodson will be getting a tentative schedule of dates Awardees will be nominated.

Motion to approve the Outstanding Citizen Nomination of Rick Small for Outstanding Citizen

Award: T. Abram

Second: L. Ware

Further Discussion: None

Taylor called the roll: 12 Y, 0 N, 1 Abstain (D. Scott)

V REPORTS: (See attached Reports Page)

OFFICERS:

- **CHAIRPERSON:** Christina Woodson
- **FIRST VICE CHAIR:** Maria Meredith
 - **WOMAN OF THE YEAR:** Maria Meredith
- **SECOND VICE CHAIR:** Teresa Abram
- **TREASURER:** Melody Scott
- **RECORDING/CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** Patricia Williams
- **PARLIAMENTARIAN:** Bernita Taylor

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

- **MEMBERSHIP:** Patricia Williams
- **PUBLICITY/SOCIAL MEDIA:** Cheryl Tate
- **EDUCATION:** Yvonne Landmark
- **OUTSTANDING CITIZEN OF COMANCHE COUNTY:** Dana Parrish
- **SET FOR SUCCESS:** Bernita Taylor
- **5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN:** Leslie Watts, Kerrie Matthews, Wyonna Alberty
- **STEERING COMMITTEE:** Danielle Brewer
- **BYLAWS:** Bernita Taylor
- **NOMINATING:** Bernita Taylor

VI ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **August 22, 2023 @ 2:00pm** - Outstanding Citizen of Comanche County Presentation to America's Veterans Supporters
- **Next MCSW Meeting: September 26, 2023 @ 12:00 pm** - City Hall Ballroom.

VII Adjournment: 12:57

Motion to Adjourn made by: D. Parrish

Second by: K. Matthews

Unanimous

Patricia Williams

Patricia Williams, Secretary

Christina Woodson

Christina Woodson, Chair

Date 9-18-23