

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 3, 2020**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and Councilmen of the Clinton City Council, City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Clinton City Hall on Friday, February 28, 2020.

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

COUNCIL: Patch McComas, Bobby Stewart, Chris Jones

ABSENT: Ernie Dowdell

CITY MANAGER: Mark Skiles

CITY CLERK: Lisa Anders

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

NEWS MEDIA: Mike Smith and Rod Serfoss

OTHERS: Paul Rinkel, Roland Mower, Brett Russell, Caleb Moore, Max McKinsey, Julie Caldwell, Rachel Swanson, Judy Stewart, Wade Anders, Sussane Williams, Julie Sanders, Deborah Glasscock and others.

Landon Dixon opened the meeting with prayer and Councilman Bobby Stewart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 18, 2020
- B. Consider Claims

Motion was made by Councilman Jones and second by Councilman McComas that Consent Agenda Item No. 3 (a-b) be approved.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Jones, McComas, Stewart, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: ACTION ITEMS

4A. PRESENTATION REGARDING 2020 CENSUS

Julie Sanders, Director of Transportation of SWODA presented information regarding the importance of complete information regarding census numbers. She said that the numbers impact federal funding. She said that April 1 has been declared 'Census Day'.

It was announced that laptops are being made available at the Frisco Center so that people can provide their information on line. There will also be bilingual assistance available.

4B. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION 899 REGARDING 2020 CENSUS PARTNERSHIP

Economic Development Roland Mower presented Resolution 899 regarding 2020 Census Partnership. He said that advertisements will be in the newspaper and information will be printed in both English and Spanish. He said there will also be direct mail information.

Motion was made by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilman McComas to approve Resolution 899 regarding 2020 Census partnership.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Jones, McComas, Stewart, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

4C. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON STREET CLOSING REQUEST FOR SHEPHERD HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE 5K ON APRIL 11, 2020

Caleb Moore presented a map to the Council indicating the route for the newly planned 5K sponsored by Shepherd Home Health and Hospice. It will be held on April 11, 2020 and the request is for closing of four intersections during the time frame of 8 am to 9:30 am

Motion was made by Councilman McComas and seconded by Councilman Stewart to approve the street closing for the 5K on April 11, 2020.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: McComas, Stewart, Jones, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

4D. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON NOMINATION FOR TRUSTEE OF OKLAHOMA MUNICIPAL ASSURANCE GROUP

City Manager Mark Skiles reported that OMAG has three vacancies on the Board and they are seeking nominations.

Motion was made by Councilman McComas and seconded by Councilman Jones to nominate Councilman Ernie Dowdell.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: McComas, Jones, Stewart, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

4E. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT FOR LANDSCAPING

City Manager Mark Skiles explained that the Ministerial Alliance will be replacing a sign along Old Highway 66 and will need the execution of an agreement for landscaping with ODOT. Chris Fields of the Ministerial Alliance has been working with the City and Johnson Sign on the project. The Ministerial Alliance will be contributing over half of the cost of the project.

Councilman Stewart asked if the sign will be lighted.

City Manager Skiles said the current project without lighting is \$6200 and the Ministerial Alliance will be contributing \$3500.

Councilman Jones suggested looking at estimates for lighting the sign. City Manager Skiles will bring back more information.

Councilman Stewart made the motion to table the item until the next meeting to allow time for additional information. The motion died for the lack of a second.

Motion was made by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilman McComas to approve the Agreement for landscaping with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Jones, McComas, Berrong

Nay: Stewart

Chairman declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO 5: TRUSTEE REPORT

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Mark Skiles reported that March 7th will be the Clinton First event with a focus on cleanup and repairs at Acme Brick Park. He also commented on *Clinton Pride* that was distributed this week. It was noted that sixty-eight participated in the publication.

Rachael Swanson reported that on February 28th the Southwester Oklahoma State University firefighting did burn training at Acme Brick Park. She said they burned cattails and overgrowth at Acme.

City Manager Skiles said the Beautification Committee has been scheduling relocation of swings at Klump Park and McLain Rogers Park and installation of a new swing set near the gazebo. The installation of the new playground set in McLain Rogers Park is being scheduled also. He said the funds are being raised for a turf surface for the new playground.

7. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilman McComas and second by Councilman Stewart to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: McComas, Stewart, Jones, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

RESOLUTION 899
2020 Census Partnership

WHEREAS the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the U.S. Constitution to conduct a count of the population and provides a historic opportunity to help shape the foundation of our society and play an active role in American democracy;

WHEREAS the City of Clinton, Oklahoma is committed to ensuring every resident is counted;

WHEREAS federal and state funding is allocated to communities, and decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based, in part, on census data and housing;

WHEREAS census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is necessary for the an accurate and fair redistricting of state legislative seats, county and city councils and voting districts;

WHEREAS information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment;

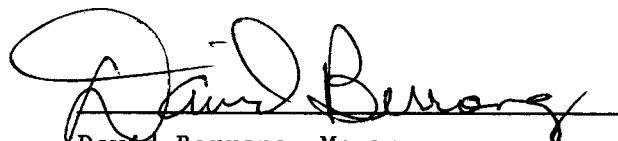
WHEREAS the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law;

WHEREAS a united voice from business, government, community-based and faith-based organizations, educators, media and others will enable the 2020 Census message to reach more of our citizens;

Now, therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Clinton, Oklahoma is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of Oklahoma and will:

1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and will disseminate 2020 Census information.
2. Encourage all City residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation.
3. Provide Census advocates to speak to County and Community Organizations.
4. Support census takers as they help our County complete an accurate count.
5. Strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons within our borders

Adopted at the City of Clinton, Oklahoma this 3rd day of March 2020.


David Berrong, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lisa Anders, City Clerk