

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 2, 2024**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Clinton City Council, City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 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 March 29, 2024, at 4:00 P.M.

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

COUNCIL: Stormie Hill, Arthur Lloyd, Ernie Dowdell, Ernesto Villanueva

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Angela Nichols

OTHERS: Luis De La Torre, Gene McCullough, Shauna Hacker, Joshua McGuire, Jarrod Nunn, Rod Kinney, Scott Crumley, and others.

Jarrod Nunn, Pastor, Cornerstone Church opened the meeting with prayer and Doug Greer, Service Officer, American Legion Post 41 led the Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the March 5, 2024, Regular Meeting
- B. Consider Claims
- C. Acknowledge Receipt of Financial Reports from the Month Ending February 29, 2024

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva that the Consent Agenda Items be approved.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEMS 3. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION(S)
REGARDING:**

- A. Resolution No. 975 – Municipal Elections**

Resolution No. 975 – Municipal Elections was presented for review and approval. The Resolution states that an election for Mayor, Ward Two, and Ward Four will be held.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve Resolution No. 975 – Municipal Elections.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. Bids Received for the Demolition of the Midtown Travel Inn Motel

City Manager Robert Johnston presented the bids received for the demolition of the Midtown Travel Inn Motel. There were two bids received from Midwest Wrecking in the amount of \$63,840.00 and a bid from Rustbusters in the amount of \$68,040.00. Bids was reviewed by the Councilmembers. Manager Johnston stated that there had been some communication with the purported other owner in California and a prospective purchaser also in California. They have called Sawatzky Construction for an estimate to rehabilitate the building. He stated that the bids are good for thirty days.

City Attorney Meacham stated that proper notice was given to the owner listed at the Custer County Treasurer's Office. There was a new owner filed in June of 2023, however any new owner is also subject to the condemnation.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve the bid from Midwest Wrecking in the amount of \$63,840.00 for demolition of the Midtown Travel Inn Motel.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

C. Resolution No. 978 – Fair Housing Resolution

Resolution No. 978 - Fair Housing Resolution was presented for review and approval to the Council Members. City Manager Johnston stated that this is presented annually to ensure eligibility for any CDBG grant opportunities.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve the Resolution No. 978 – Fair Housing as presented.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

D. Fair Housing Proclamation

Fair Housing Proclamation was presented for review and approval. The Fair Housing Proclamation declare the Month of April to be recognized as Fair Housing Month, to be honored annually and continuously, in the spirit and intent of fair housing for all residents of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve the Fair Housing Proclamation.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried

E. Resolution 979 – Appointment of Clinton Hospital Authority Trustee

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Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to appoint Tyler Bridges as the Clinton Hospital Authority Trustee.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 4 NEW BUSINESS (If any, pursuant to Section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.):

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

City Manager Johnston stated that the McLain Rogers Park Amphitheater green room project is starting with the Levitt Concert Series first concert to be on May 17, 2024.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (According to Audience participation Decorum Guidelines at Clinton City Council Public Meetings effective:2/14/2017)

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Dowdell seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

Date Approved

David Berrong, Mayor