

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JULY 15, 2025**

Minutes of the special 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, July 15, 2025, 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 Ju, 2025, at 4:00 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

COUNCIL: Stormie Hill, Arthur Lloyd, Ernesto Villanueva

COUNCIL ABSENT: Ernie Dowdell,

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham (absent)

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Mike Smith, Sean Stephens, Shiann Dawson

OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Mark Nicholson, Don Miller, Dan Day, Matthew Coe, Chris Weil, and others.

Dan Day, Custer County Sheriff opened the meeting with prayer and Don Mill, Past Post Commander, American Legion Post No. 41 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from July 1, 2025, Regular Meeting and July 10, 2025, Special Meeting
- B. Annual Funding Agreements with Action Associates, Inc. and Summer Playground, Inc.

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

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

Aye: Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

- A. Pay Application No. 3 from Krapff Reynolds Construction Company Project No.

S-2505 Invoice No. 25135 in the Amount of \$125,135.90 for Clinton Sewer Improvements Project Associated with ODOT Project Agreement #31842(04) I-40 Exit 65 Improvements

Pay Application No. 3 from Krapff Reynolds Construction Company Project No. S-2505 Invoice No. 25135 in the Amount of \$125,135.90 for Clinton Sewer Improvements Project Associated with ODOT Project Agreement #31842(04) I-40 Exit 65 Improvements was presented for review and approval. Public Works Director Gene McCullough reported that work is continuing as expected.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Councilmember Lloyd to approve the Pay Application No. 3 from Krapff Reynolds Construction Company Project No. S-2505 Invoice No. 25135 in the Amount of \$125,135.90 for Clinton Sewer Improvements Project Associated with ODOT Project Agreement #31842(04) I-40 Exit 65 Improvements.

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

Aye: Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. Pay Application No. 3 from Krapff Reynolds Construction Company Project No. W-2501 Invoice No. 25134 the Amount of \$178,116.45.00 for Clinton Water Improvements Project Associated with ODOT Project Agreement #31842(04) I-40 Exit 65 Improvements,

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Motion was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Councilmember Lloyd to approve the Pay Application No. 3 from Krapff Reynolds Construction Company Project No. W-2501 Invoice No. 25134 in the Amount of \$178,116.45 for Clinton Water Improvements Project Associated with ODOT Project Agreement #31842(04) I-40 Exit 65 Improvements.

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

Aye: Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 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. 6: CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

City Manager Johnston stated that the architect made a site visit this morning to assess the recent fire damage and evaluate for any resulting structural damage to the library and as well as look at possible roof issues. He also reported that the recirculating pump at the municipal swimming pool has been replaced so the pool has reopened. Finally, abatement weed/trash city manager hearings were held again this afternoon. Some property owners had already remedied their situations but not all.

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 Hill seconded by Councilmember Lloyd to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:46 P.M.

Date Approved

David Berrong, Mayor

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JULY 29, 2025**

Minutes of the special 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, July 29, 2025, 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 July 25, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

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

COUNCIL ABSENT:

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Mike Smith, Sean Stephens, Shiann Dawson

OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Cris Hickerson, and others.

**AGENDA ITEM 2. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION(S)
REGARDING:**

A. Action(s) related to the sale of Clinton Regional Hospital

City Manager Johnston deferred to City Attorney Ryan Meacham to update the Councilmembers on the current situation with the Clinton Regional Hospital.

Meacham provided a chronology of the events regarding the hospital and agreements with RHS. In November 2024 a letter of intent was executed with Rural Hospital Solutions, Inc for six million dollars for the purchase of the hospital property. The City of Clinton passed Ordinance 1032 to approve the letter of intent and go to the vote of the people on January 14, 2025 to authorize the sale of the hospital for six million. April 15, 2025 City of Clinton passed Ordinance 1032A which amended the original ordinance to allow for Lender Financing Option. On April 15, 2025 the Asset Purchase Agreement was executed with Rural Hospital Solutions. A June 10, 2025 Special Election was called asking the voters to amend the original ordinance to allow for the Lender Financing Option. The Election passed in favor of the ordinance. May 6, 2025 amendment of additional funds and changed the closing date to July 31, 2025 with the first amendment of the Asset Purchase Agreement. June 17, 2025 Second Amendment to the Asset Purchase Agreement was made to include the purchase of a CT Scanner.

He went on to state that a discussion was held today regarding the question of legality of financing and was told by Rural Hospital Solutions that there would not be a closing on July 31, 2025. Discussions with Rural Solutions have not ceased. Possible options were mentioned if the closing scheduled for July 31, 2025 does not happen.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 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. 6: CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

None

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: Hill, Dowdell, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Date Approved

David Berrong, Mayor

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JULY 30, 2025**

Minutes of the special 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, July 30, 2025, 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 July 28, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

COUNCIL: Stormie Hill, Ernie Dowdell, Ernesto Villanueva

COUNCIL ABSENT:, Arthur Lloyd

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Mike Smith, Gina Trent, Sean Stephens, Shiann Dawson

OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Cris Hickerson, Brendan Price, Jennifer Sethre, Norma Fisher, Len Lacefield, Lacey Lacefield, Jina Kilpatrick, Khristen Sawatzky, Brenda Jennings, Janice Merrill, Divina Perez, Talitha Adler, Richard Coit, Ashley Taylor, Kristi Bomgren, Stefanie Bustos, and others.

**AGENDA ITEM 2. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION(S)
REGARDING:**

A. Action(s) related to the sale of Clinton Regional Hospital

City Manager Johnston deferred to City Attorney Ryan Meacham to update the Councilmembers on the current situation with the Clinton Regional Hospital.

Meacham stated that there will not be a closing on July 31, 2025, with Rural Hospital Solutions for the sale of the hospital. He reported that he had several phone conferences and email throughout the day and as of the 4:30 call there was still not a viable solution and at the time of the meeting there was not an email to present to the Council. He reminded the Council that the last proposal from the RHS was to purchase the hospital which did not comply with the agreement or the vote of the citizens. Third Avenue West is still under contract for the management of the hospital until March of 2026. There will be decisions to make soon regarding hospital operations moving forward. He did state that there was no action to take tonight.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 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. 6: CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

None

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: Hill, Dowdell, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:38 P.M.

Date Approved

David Berrong, Mayor