

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF CLINTON CITY COUNCIL, CLINTON PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY, CLINTON HOSPITAL AUTHORITY, CLINTON SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, CLINTON RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY, CLINTON AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND CLINTON INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2009

Minutes of a special meeting of the Mayor/ Chairman and Council/Trustees of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held at the Clinton City Hall on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, 6:30p.m. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Clinton City Hall on January 23, 2009.

Mayor/Chairman Allen Bryson called the meeting to order with the following present:

Trustee/ Council: Bob Marcy, John Jordan, Mark Hendrickson

Absent: Terry Wheeler

City Manager: Grayson Bottom

City Clerk: Lisa Anders

News Media: Gerald Green and Mike Smith

Others: Arnold Adams, Gene McCullough, David Crabtree, Brad Aneshansley, Debra Blanchard, Wade Anders, Bailey Anders, Rhonda Williams, Charles Fry, Debbie Bryson, Frankie Bottom, Matt Graybill, Mr. & Mrs. Dave Gerbrandt, Dennis Caler, and others.

2. CITY MANAGER REMARKS

City Manager Grayson Bottom reported that the condition of the City of Clinton is strong. His report included updates on the following areas:

- Water Treatment
- Water Maintenance
- Wastewater Treatment
- Street Improvements
- Solid Waste Department
- Police Department
- Code Enforcement
- Fire Department
- Parks Department including Acme Brick Park and the Golf Course
- Frisco Center
- Airport

- Budget/Audits
- Economic Development

City Manager Bottom listed items he felt were challenges to the City of Clinton. Listed items were:

- Employee retention
- Attracting new employees
- Attracting labor force
- Securing financial resources for major improvement projects

City Manager Bottom outlined his vision for the City of Clinton.

- Community entrances
- Diversify revenue sources
- Public Safety Center

In response to the City Manager's presentation, Councilman Marcy said the remarks were well stated. He said changes have occurred while he has been on the Council and he credits the employees and leadership for these positive changes.

Councilman Hendrickson said he was pleased that the focus of the information is on the people. He said people make the community.

Councilman Jordan said he has lived here his entire life and there are great projects being planned.

Mayor Bryson said it is good to have a vision and realize reality. He said he is planning on having another meeting similar to this in September to give a fall review update.

Dave Gerbrandt gave a prayer.

Mayor Bryson asked the audience for questions.

Matt Graybill asked about the condition of the Centennial Train.

Brad Aneshansley said it is being repaired.

Mr. Gerbrandt encouraged the Council to provide opportunities for citizens to volunteer.

3. CONSIDER AGREEMENT WITH CAPITOL DECISION INC. REGARDING LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

Chairman Bryson said this item had been tabled during the last Public Works Authority meeting.

City Manager Grayson Bottom reported that last Thursday the board of the Industrial Foundation met to discuss their position regarding the agreement regarding legislative advocacy. He said the Mayor had made a presentation to the Board. He said later the Board had reported they had voted to support the contract with Capitol Decision Inc with \$3,000 per month on the one year contract. He thanked the Industrial Foundation for their support and said this was an example of the reason for the creation of the Foundation.

Chairman Bryson said previous the City of Clinton had funded a grant writer, Nicole Boyles. He said Mrs. Boyles had accepted a position with Southwestern Oklahoma State University. He said this change had freed up funds that could be shifted from the funding of the grant writer to the obligation of this agreement. He noted the Industrial Foundation had been a partner with the funding of the grant writer.

Trustee Hendrickson noted that this would not prevent the City from seeking grants. He asked about the preparation of the list of needs for presentation to Capital Decisions.

City Manager Grayson Bottom said the list is a living, ever changing thing. He said the initial item; Chapman Road could be the first project since is it ready for funding. Other road projects discussed were the North Emergency Access Road to provide direct access to Integris Clinton Regional Hospital.

Bottom said a Public Safety Center would also be listed. He suggested converting the current fire station into a museum. Bottom said the list would be presented to the Council for prioritization and reviewed annually.

Mr., Gerbrant asked if there would be a specific person that would be writing grants for the City.

City Manager Grayson Bottom said that SWODA provides services for grant writing for the type of grants that the City would be eligible for. He said government doesn't tend to match up well with private grants.

Motion was made by Trustee Hendrickson and seconded by Trustee Jordan to approve the agreement with Capitol Decision Inc. regarding legislative advocacy and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

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Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Hendrickson, Jordan, Marcy, Bryson

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

4. REFRESHMENTS IN LOBBY

Mayor Bryson invited the audience to have refreshments in the lobby.

5. ADJOURNMENT IN LOBBY

Motion was made by Councilman Marcy and seconded by Councilman Jordan to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Marcy, Jordan, Hendrickson, Bryson

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried at 7:50 p.m.