

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY MEETING, JULY 5, 2011**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Chairman and Trustees of the Clinton Public Works Authority of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, July 5, 2011 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 June 30, 2011.

Chairman Bryson called the meeting to order with the following present:

**CHAIRMAN:** Allen Bryson

**TRUSTEES:** Don Rodolph, Bob Marcy, Phyllis Smith, Steve Jones

**CITY MANAGER:** Steve Hewitt

**CITY CLERK:** Lisa Anders

**CITY TREASURER:** Debra Blanchard

**DEPUTY CLERK:** Rhonda Williams

**CITY ATTORNEY:** Ryan Meacham

**NEWS MEDIA:** Gerald Green and Jarod Atha

**OTHERS:** David Crabtree, Mary Helen Jones, Gene McCullough, Jason Hulin, K.D. Kappel, Jerry Romannose and others.

Trustee Allen Bryson opened the meeting with prayer and Trustee Phyllis Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 21, 2011
- B. Consider claims

Moved by Trustee Marcy and seconded by Trustee Smith, that Consent Agenda Item No. 3 (a-b) be approved.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Marcy, Smith, Rodolph, Jones, Bryson

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4. ACTION ITEMS**

**4A. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER VOLUNTARY WATER RATIONING**

City Manager Steve Hewitt said the extreme drought conditions have caused Lake Clinton to be low and the necessity to take more water from Foss. He recommended implementing a Voluntary Water Rationing program. The program would help with irrigation at key times.

A Proclamation from the City Manager's office was presented.

# PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY MANAGER

**WHEREAS**, areas of the State of Oklahoma have been experiencing a severe and prolonged drought; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Clinton will be entering a period of high temperatures and dry weather conditions, which will create a higher demand for water, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Clinton may experience a period of time when the cost of water production and delivery will exceed its revenue from the sale of water,

**THEREFORE**, I, Steve Hewitt, City Manager, do hereby proclaim that a threat for increased costs above our revenue from water sales exists for the City's water system.

**IN CONSIDERATION** of this threat, voluntary water conservation measures are hereby put into effect.


1. Addresses ending in odd numbers may irrigate outdoors from 9 PM to 7 AM on odd days (1,3,5,etc)
2. Addresses ending in even numbers may irrigate outdoors from 9 PM to 7 AM on even numbered days (2,4,6,etc).
3. Commercial and Industrial businesses may use water for Commercial and Industrial processes as needed.
4. Restrict use of water for washing vehicles.
5. Restrict use of water to wash sidewalks, driveways, and other hard surface areas.

This emergency shall continue in effect as specified unless shortened or extended through notice by publication of a proclamation.

These voluntary water conservation measures will continue until weather conditions change.

  
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Steve Hewitt, City Manager

ATTEST:

  
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Lisa Anders, City Clerk

Trustee Marcy asked how water would be restricted.

City Manager Hewitt said businesses such as car washes would continue their regular business but citizens are asked to not waste water on hard surfaces such as washing their car on their driveway.

Trustee Marcy asked how the hours in the proclamation were determined.

City Manager Hewitt said the hours were recommended by conservationist.

Trustee Jones said this is a voluntary program and therefore, there would be no penalties.

City Manager Hewitt said the proclamation is being implemented in hopes to cut down on the Foss water purchases. He said Lake Clinton is very low. He said there are two areas of concern: financial concerns and conservation concerns.

Public Works Director Arnold Adams said that Lake Clinton is down 10 ½ feet.

K.D. Kappel asked if the odd-even watering is in effect.

Chairman Bryson said this is a voluntary program and the City encourages conservation. He said it would be better to take this action now rather than wait until it is mandatory.

Motion was made by Trustee Rodolph and seconded by Trustee Marcy to approve the City Manager's recommendation to active the Voluntary Water Rationing per the Proclamation.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Rodolph, Marcy, Jones, Smith, Bryson

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

**4B. AFFIRM EXPENDITURE BY CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION TO JOE D HALL, GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION**

Motion was made by Trustee Rodolph and seconded by Trustee Jones to affirm the expenditure by Clinton Public School Board of Education to Joe D Hall, General Contractor for School Construction.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Rodolph, Jones, Marcy, Smith, Bryson

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEM NO .5: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Steve Hewitt reported that a panel on Gary Boulevard had busted out over the weekend. He said the City is trying to keep up with the demands of the heat.

Trustee Rodolph reported that the City has a well field on 240 acres of land that the Corp of Engineers had installed water lines on several years ago. He suggested talking to well drillers to see if it would be cost effective to drill wells to pump water to Lake Clinton.

Trustee Jones said that a disposal site will be installed in that area.

Trustee Rodolph said that the penny designated for Capital Improvement could be used for the purchase of capital items such as a trackho and dozer to be used to clean out the ponds at the lake to allow holding more water when it does rain. He said this could be done by city employees rather than a contractor and when the process is completed, the equipment could be sold.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Jones and seconded by Trustee Smith that the meeting adjourn.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Jones, Smith, Marcy, Rodolph, Bryson

Nay: None

Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.