

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 20, 2013**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 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 August 16, 2013.

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order with the following present;

**MAYOR:** Seth Adams

**COUNCIL:** Don Rodolph, Wheeler Lowry, Jason Hulin, Lucas Martinez

**CITY MANAGER:** Steve Hewitt

**CITY CLERK:** Lisa Anders

**CITY TREASURER:** Debra Blanchard

**DEPUTY CITY CLERK:** Rhonda Williams

**CITY ATTORNEY:** Ryan Meacham

**NEWS MEDIA:** Gerald Green, Mike Smith and Corianne Fairchild

**OTHERS:** Gene McCullough, Julie Menge, Jeremy Brush, Randy Carpenter, Kris Wermey, Stephen Jones, Curtis Maloy, Judith Jones, Amber Cox and others.

Fire Chief Randy Carpenter opened the meeting with prayer and Councilman Lucas Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

A. Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 6, 2013

Motion was made by Councilman Hulin and seconded by Councilman Martinez, that Consent Agenda Items No. 3 (a) be approved.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Hulin, Martinez, Lowry, Rodolph, Adams

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

**4A. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE MOWER FOR ACME BRICK PARK**

Parks & Recreation Director Kris Wermey explained that he had obtained quotes for a used mower to be used on the ballfields at Acme Brick Park. He said this would give a more professional look for the fields. He explained that the mower is a Toro and the same unit that the golf course uses. He recommended purchasing the 2007 model with approximately 600 hours for \$18,000.00.

City Manager Steve Hewitt said that \$22,000 had been included in the budget for this purchase. He said this unit will cut down on staff time. He said the park is expanding with additional soccer field and this is necessary to keep up with the growth of the park.

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Motion was made by Councilman Rodolph and seconded by Councilman Hulin to authorize the purchase of a mower for Acme Brick Park as recommended by staff for \$18,000.00.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Rodolph, Hulin, Martinez, Lowry, Adams

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**4B. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS THE PURCHASE OR APPRAISAL OF REAL PROPERTY INCLUDING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED IN 25 O.S. ss 307B(3)**

Motion was made by Councilman Hulin and seconded by Councilman Martinez to enter into Executive Session to discuss the purchase or appraisal of real property and invite the City Manager to the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Hulin, Martinez, Lowry, Rodolph, Adams

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting in executive session at 6:05 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Motion was made by Councilman Lowry and seconded by Councilman Hulin to enter back into regular session.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Lowry, Hulin, Rodolph, Martinez, Adams

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting in regular session at 6:35 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5. COUNCIL REPORT**

None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Steve reported that the Clinton Regional Airport will be hosting a fly-in on September 14, 2013.

a) Community Clean Up Program Update

Public Works Director Stephen Jones explained that a "Keep Clinton Clean" program is being organized. Applications for the program can be obtained in the Public Works Office.

b) Feral Cat Report Update

City Manager Steve Hewitt requested this be tabled for a few weeks. He said he had not been able to discuss this with Police Chief David Crabtree and more time if needed before recommendations can be made to possible changes to city ordinances.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Amber Cox suggested looking at ordinances regarding feral cats and nipping their ears and not subjecting them to gas.

Councilman Hulin thanked Ms. Cox for her continuance with dialogue with city officials and working on a solution to the problem.

Judith Jones asked that the property south of 314 South 18<sup>th</sup> be mowed. She said she has contacted the city twice before and nothing has been done.

City Manager Steve Hewitt said that an abatement hearing for 15 different locations was held last week and that crews would be mowing those locations.

Councilman Hulin asked what the procedures for due process are.

City Manager Steve Hewitt said that most issues are complaint driven and the city encourages property owners to do their own mowing. If the property is not mowed, a certified letter is sent, an abatement hearing is held and if no results, a mowing crew is sent out by the City. A bill is sent to the owner for the mowing and if it is not paid, the fee is assessed to the property tax.

Curtis Maloy asked about ownership of land regarding water supply.

City Manager Steve Hewitt said that the city does not own water rights under other individual property.

Mr. Maloy asked about what the effects are for direct injector wells.

Councilman Rodolph said there should not be any effect to the groundwater. He said the Corporation Commission regulates those issues.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Councilman Hulin and seconded by Councilman Rodolph to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Hulin, Rodolph, Martinez, Lowry, Adams  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.