

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING CLINTON CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018**

Minutes of the Special 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, January 30, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Clinton City Hall on January 24, 2016.

Mayor: David Berrong
Council: Don Rodolph, Bobby Stewart
Absent: Jason Hulin, Chuy Rosales
City Manager: Mark Skiles
City Clerk: Lisa Anders
City Attorney: Ryan Meacham
Media: Gerald Green, Rod Serfoss, and Mike Smith
Others: Gene McCullough

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 883 CALLING FOR AN ELECTION FOR PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO DEFINE THE QUALIFICATION OF INDIVIDUALS FOR THE OFFICES OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Berrong explained that changes can only be made to the City Charter by a vote of the people. There had been discussion regarding the qualification of individuals for the office of Mayor and City Council. The proposal is to change the language so as to reflect the intent. Resolution #883 was presented and read.

City Attorney Ryan Meacham pointed out that an addition section regarding the powers and duties of Article 2 needs to be included in the resolution. He said the resolution needs to include the request of the closing of the Washita precinct since there are zero voters.

Councilman Rodolph said this is a good change to the charter and he recommended approval.

Councilman Stewart asked why it is necessary to call for a special election and have to pay the extra cost.

Mayor Berrong said there had been issues in the past that these changes would address. He said it is important for people to be able to weigh in on issues and he felt this would be money well spent given there is a regular election later in the year.

Motion was made by Councilman Rodolph and seconded by Mayor Berrong to approve Resolution No. 883 to include the Mayor's powers and duties and the closing of the Washita precinct.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Rodolph, Berrong
Nay: Stewart

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON ELECTION PROCLAMATION FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

Mayor Berrong read the election proclamation calling for a special election to be held on April 3, 2018.

Motion was made by Councilman Rodolph and seconded by Mayor Berrong to approve the election proclamation for a special election on April 3, 2018.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Rodolph, Stewart, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: ADJOURN

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

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Rodolph, Stewart, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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RESOLUTION NO. 883

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR ELECTION FOR PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT TO DEFINE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS FOR THE OFFICES OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING THE PROVISIONS ARE CUMULATIVE AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

WHEREAS, the provisions relating to the qualifications for Mayor and City Council are in need of further definition.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1: That an election shall be called on April 3, 2018, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City of Clinton a proposition for their acceptance or rejection of an amendment to the Charter of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma, as follows:

SECTION 2: Article 2 of the Charter shall be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor/Councilmen: Number, Qualifications

Section 2-1. There shall be a council of five members, which shall consist of the mayor and one councilman from each of the four wards of the city as the wards are now constituted or as they may hereafter be constituted by ordinance. Unless otherwise clearly indicated by the context, the words "councilman" and "councilmen" shall include the mayor as well as other councilmen.

Mayor: Only qualified electors of the city who are residential freeholders in the city, shall be qualified for the office of mayor. The mayor must remain a qualified elector and a bona fide resident of the city during the term of their office. No mayor may hold any office in the city government by appointment by the city manager or by any subordinate of the city manager.

Councilmen: Only qualified electors of the city who are residential freeholders in their respective ward, shall be qualified for the offices of councilman from the wards. Removal of a councilman from one ward to another within the city after his election or selection to fill a vacancy, or a change in ward boundaries, shall disqualify him from completing his term. No councilman may hold any office in the city government by appointment by the city manager or by any subordinate of the city manager.

Definition of Qualified Electors: For the purposes of determining eligibility for office under this charter, qualified electors shall mean: an individual, over the age of 18 years, who is a bona fide resident of the City of Clinton, and in the case of councilmen their respective ward, for a period of six months before the required filing deadline of the Notice of Candidacy, as required by Section 6-2 of this charter.

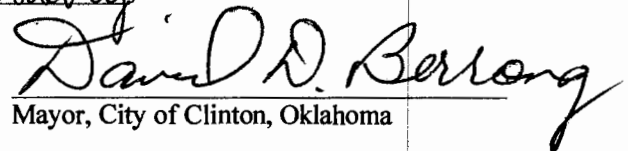
SECTION 3: The provisions of the Charter Amendment shall be effective immediately upon approval of the Governor.

SECTION 4: The provisions of this Amendment shall be cumulative and in addition to any and all other taxing provisions of the City Charter.

SECTION 5: The provisions of these Charter Amendments are severable and if any part or provision thereof shall be determined invalid, such determination shall not affect or impair any of the remaining parts or provisions hereof.


SECTION 6: Request that the Washita Precinct #750012 be closed due to zero voters.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 30 day of January, 2018.



Mayor, City of Clinton, Oklahoma

ATTEST:



City Clerk, City of Clinton, Oklahoma