

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL  
DECEMBER 18, 2018**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and Councilmen of the Clinton City Council, City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 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 Thursday, December 14, 2018.

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order with the following present:

**MAYOR:** David Berrong

**COUNCIL:** Ernie Dowdell, Bobby Stewart, Chuy Rosales

**ABSENT:** Jason Hulin

**CITY MANAGER:** Mark Skiles

**CITY CLERK:** Lisa Anders

**CITY TREASURER:** Debra Blanchard

**CITY ATTORNEY:** Ryan Meacham

**NEWS MEDIA:** Gerald Green

**OTHERS:** Gene McCullough, Brett Russell, Scott Haggard, Johnny Redd, Judy Stewart, Mark Switzer, Troy Calvert, Wade Anders, Toby Anders, Blake Shaddon, Justin Hill, Forrest Valentine, Jarod Howell, James Kuykendall and others.

Merlanda Dorman of The Cornerstone opened the meeting with prayer and Councilman Bobby Stewart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

A. Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 4, 2018

Motion was made by Trustee Rosales and second by Trustee Stewart that Consent Agenda Item No. 3 (a) be approved.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Rosales, Stewart, Dowdell, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

**4A. PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF 2017-2018 AUDIT**

James Kuykendall of Britton, Kuykendall and Miller presented the audit. He reported that current assets are increased and liabilities are reduced from last year. He said the long term indebtedness is reduced. He reported that the City had met all the restrictions and covenants with the bonded indebtedness and is current on all debt payments.

Kuykendall reviewed the statement of revenue, expenses and change in net position and stated that the city has made substantial improvements in the financial position over the past year.

Motion was made by Councilman Stewart and seconded by Councilman Dowdell to approve the 2017-2018 audit as presented.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Stewart, Dowdell, Rosales, Berrong  
Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

**4B. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPOINTMENT TO MIDWESTERN OKLAHOMA INDUSTRIAL FOUNDATION BOARD**

City Manager Mark Skiles reported that two City appointed board members of the MOIF board would be completing their terms. Curtis Constien and City Manager Mark Skiles terms would be expiring February 2019. It was reported that Mr. Constien was not interested in serving an additional term.

Motion was made by Councilman Stewart and seconded by Councilman Rosales to appoint City Clerk Lisa Anders to serve on the MOIF Board.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Stewart, Rosales, Dowdell, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Stewart to reappoint City Manager Mark Skiles to service as a board member on the MOIF Board.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Stewart, Rosales, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**4C. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 993 REGARDING REGULATIONS OF OPEN BURNING AND OUTDOOR FIRES**

Fire Chief Brett Russell explained that the proposed ordinance would fill void in the perimeters of the existing ordinance. He said this would establish a permit for bon fires and give specific direction on open burning and outdoor fires.

Motion was made by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Rosales to approve Ordinance No. 993 regarding regulations of open burning and outdoor fires.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Rosales, Stewart, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**4D. CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOUTH 50.5 FEET OF LOT 10-12, BLOCK 28, ORIGINAL TOWNSITE OF CLINTON, OKLAHOMA**

City Attorney Ryan Meacham reported that Council had authorized City Manager Mark Skiles to negotiate with property owner, Denny Meacham, for the sale of the land in the South 50.5 feet of Lot 10-12, Block 28 Original Townsite it. He reported that the property had been appraised at \$60,000 and the City will pay \$26,000.00 and provide a letter of credit for \$24,000.00.

Motion was made by Councilman Stewart and seconded by Councilman Dowdell to purchase the property of Denny Meacham for \$26,000.00 and a letter evidencing a donation of \$24,000.00

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Stewart, Dowdell, Rosales, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**4E. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO GO TO BID ON NEW DISPATCH EQUIPMENT**

Fire Chief Brett Russell explained that the Police Department/Fire Department dispatch equipment is in need of replacement. He said it was not a budgeted item and is estimated to cost \$64,000.00. He said that several entities have agreed to partner with the City to assist in the purchase of the equipment.

City Manager Mark Skiles said staff is request authorization to go to bid on the dispatch equipment.

Motion was made by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Rosales to go to bid on the dispatch equipment.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Rosales, Stewart, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**4F. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE NEW FIRE ENGINE**

Fire Chief Brett Russell explained that the budget includes a lease purchase payment of \$125,000.00 for the replacement of a 1991 fire engine. This payment would be for a five year lease purchase agreement. He explained that the state contract price for this fire engine is from Pierce Manufacturing. Russell said that the 1991 engine could be sold to a smaller department and helps offset the price of the new engine.

Russell said he would contact the local banks to discuss interest rates.

Motion was made by Councilman Stewart and seconded by Councilman Dowdell to authorize the purchase of a new fire engine on a lease purchase agreement.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Stewart, Dowdell, Rosales, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**4G. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON CHANGE ORDER 1, CHANGE ORDER 2 AND CHANGE ORDER 3 WITH LONEHICKORY CATTLE, LLC REGARDING HIGHWAY 40 WATERLINE RELOCATION PROJECT**

City Manager Mark Skiles reported that the waterline relocation project is 100% reimbursable to the City from the Oklahoma Department of Transportation. During the work on the project, changes were made and change orders were generated for the modifications. The end result for the project was an increase in the cost from \$64,000 to \$103,238.00. He said the project has been completed.

Motion was made by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Stewart to approve Change Order 1, Change Order 2 and Change Order 3 for the Highway 40 waterline relocation project.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Stewart, Rosales, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEM NO 5: TRUSTEE REPORT**

None

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

City Manager Mark Skiles expressed his appreciation to the various entities for working with the City for the dispatch equipment.

**7. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Councilman Dowdell and second by Councilman Stewart to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Stewart, Rosales, Berrong  
Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.