

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

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019

Minutes of a special meeting of the Mayor/ Chairman and Council/Trustees of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held at City Hall on Thursday, May 23, 2019, 5:30 P.M. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Clinton City Hall on May 20, 2019.

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

Trustee/ Council: Bobby Stewart, Chuey Rosales, Jason Hulin, Ernie Dowdell

City Manager: Mark Skiles

City Clerk: Lisa Anders

News Media: Gerald Green

Others: Debra Blanchard, Mark Switzer, Paul Rinkle, Gene McCullough, Morgan Bonnarens, Amanda Availa, Courtney Jones, Donnie Phipps, Gary Kluckner, Jake Walton, Toby Anders, Leonard Jackson, Max McKinsey, and others.

2. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION on 2019-2020 BUDGET

City Manager Mark Skiles explained that the proposed budget contains a \$315,000 deficit whereas last year's budget had a \$396,000 deficit. He expressed his appreciation to staff for their work and said that Department Heads would be available for any questions.

City Treasurer Debra Blanchard said she estimated that the General Fund would have a carry over of \$342,605.00. She reported that the Sales tax payback for Use Tax will be completed in full. She pointed out that there is minimal staffing in all departments. It had been estimated that the health insurance cost would have a 15% increase but quotes have been taken and insurance will be provided by Blue Cross/Blue Shield this year with a 0% increase. The proposed budget also contains a 2.4% salary increase. She explained that the insurance savings will offset the salary increases.

Councilman Stewart said he is concerned about the minimal staffing.

City Manager Skiles said there are no longer departmental lines. He said that the Economic Development account is allowing for contract help with the mowing efforts.

Councilman Stewart said it appears there has been no growth in the past year and the budget as presented is just to maintain status quo.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Treasurer Blanchard said the Capital improvements are requests from each department.

POLICE

Chief Rinkle explained that three vehicles per year have been requested. The estimated price is based on the cost of Explorers.

FIRE

Mark Switzer explained that the Fire Department has a donated truck that they plan to use County funds to match. He also explained that the goal is to have two set of bunker gear per firefighter. The Capital budget for the Fire Department also contains the second lease payment on a fire truck.

EMERGENCY

Toby Anders explained that he has requested funding to replace one storm siren in the event that one is lost. He said the City has six large sirens and two rotating sirens for a total of eight.

PARKS MAINTENANCE

Capital budget includes funding for a vehicle and the completion of the soccer building.

POOL

Morgan Bonnarens reported that the request for the replacement of the diving board stands and a splash pad to replace the kiddie pool.

ACME BRICK

Funding for replacement of workout equipment is included in the proposed budget.

STREET

Proposed budget included the lease payment for the street steeper and replacement for lights. \$200,000 has been budgeted for street overlay.

FACILITIES

Server data storage and network switch redundancy are included in the budget request as well as tables and chairs replacement for the Senior Citizens Building.

PUBLIC WORKS

Treasurer Debra Blanchard said the Public Works contains the water and wastewater department. She said they have their own source of revenues.

Trustee Stewart said the RO plant has expenses but it not operational.

Treasurer Blanchard said the budget includes an estimate on the electrical cost.

Water Superintendent Gary Kluckner said he exercises the membranes at the RO Plant three time per week for approximately 1 hour.

City Manager Skiles said Gary's license is not sufficient to run the plant and the finances won't withstand the operation of the RO Plant.

SOLID WASTE

Treasurer Blanchard said the Solid Waste can maintain the fund balance with generated revenues. The rental of roll-offs is a source of revenue. There are currently seven roll-offs ordered.

AIRPORT

Treasurer Blanchard said that oil and gas leases are needed. There has been an increase in fuel sales and hangar rental is a source of revenue. \$68,500 has been included in the proposed budget for a hangar expansion project. \$60,000 has been included in the budget for a subsidy from the General Fund.

RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY

. The budgeted subsidy of \$195,000 is included. The Capital Improvement request includes a pickup and greens mower.

INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY

Treasurer Blanchard said a transfer of \$50,000 has been made for the parking lot project on North 4th Street and \$100,000 for the landscape/mowing from the Economic Development fund. The Frisco Center generates revenue through rentals and lodging tax is a source of income. Proposals for the Frisco Center lighting upgrade project have been received. All new LED lights will be installed which should result in a reduction in the utility bill.

FRISCO CENTER

Treasurer Debra Blanchard said capital request of \$9,650 has been included in the budget. She reported that the Conference Center uses funding generated from the Lodging Tax and capital request for the Conference Center are related to technology/internet updates.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND

Sales tax has been collected. \$100,000.00 in demolition expense has been included in the Inspection Department for structural demolitions.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FUND

Treasurer Debra Blanchard said the budget included salary cost. She said the previous fiscal year budget only included a partial year.

Chamber of Commerce representative Max McKinsey said the agreement for funding of the ED Authority for was a five year period of \$100,000.00 per year. McKinsey said that private funds and committal pledges are being received. McKinsey presented a request for funding for the 2019-2020 year of \$235,000.00 with the maximum payout to remain at \$500,000.00.

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

Blanchard said the lease payments are being received monthly with only interest earnings eligible to be spent.

HOPE HOUSING

Blanchard reported that rental agreement will end in 2021.

CEMETERY PERPETUAL

The purchase of a mower and a pickup has been included in the request for the Cemetery Perpetual fund.

ACME

Treasurer Blanchard reported that September 30, 2019 will be the end and the bond issue was paid off in December 2018.

PD/FD

Treasurer Blanchard said this would be dropped off October 2019.

5. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Councilman Stewart and seconded by Councilman Rosales to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Stewart, Rosales, Hulin, Dowdell, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.