

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 7, 2022**

Minutes of the meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Clinton City Council, City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 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 3, 2022, at 4:30 P.M.

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

MAYOR: David Berrong

COUNCILMEN: Patch McComas, Ernie Dowdell, Arthur Lloyd, Ernesto Villanueva

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Nydia Campbell, Mike Smith

OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Paul Rinkel, Bobby Stewart, Samantha Aispuro, Dan Day, and others.

Dan Day opened the meeting with prayer and Bobby Stewart, Adjutant, American Legion Post 41 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the March 15, 2022, Regular Meeting
- B. Consider Claims
- C. Acknowledge Receipt of Financial Reports 4/30/2022
- D. Summer Playground Agreement
- E. Budget Amendments/Line Item Transfer

Motion was made by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Villanueva that the Consent Agenda Items be approved.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, McComas, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

A. Public Hearing – FYE 23 Budgets

Mayor Berrong called the public hearing regarding the FYE 23 Budgets to order at 5:47 p.m.

City Manager Johnston commented that these budgets are being developed by staff in conscious recognition of the significant opportunity the Gary Freeway Extension/Exit 65 Project presents to our community and the local cash commitment of approx. \$6.6 million dollars to be paid to complete this project. This impacts the various budget funds as some capital improvements and other expenses will need to be deferred until this financial obligation is satisfied.

A balanced budgetary approach has been utilized to meet this cash commitment without losing sight of the City's ongoing service delivery responsibilities to meet the needs of our fellow citizens. As part of the statutory budget process, the near final proposed budget information was published in the local newspaper and this Public Hearing Notice was posted on the City Hall bulletin board. Public input is welcomed as we move forward to final recommended budgets to be approved at the June 21 meetings.

Mayor Berrong asked again if anyone in the audience would participate in the Public Hearing and would like to make a comment. No one present responded.

The public hearing ended at 5:56 and the regular meeting proceeded.

B. Reappointment of Canda Dupree to Serve a three-Year Term as a Trustee of the Clinton Economic Development Authority.

City Manager Johnston stated that Trustee Canda Dupree's was up for reappointment to the Economic Development Authority. If the Council desires to reappoint Trustee Dupree she will be reappointed for an additional 3-year term. Mayor Berrong stated that he had visited with Trustee Dupree; she is willing to serve a second and final consecutive term.

The motion was made by Councilman McComas and seconded by Councilman Lloyd to approve the reappointment of Canda Dupree to serve a three-year term as a Trustee of the Clinton Economic Development Authority.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, McComas, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried

C. Pursuant to Section 5-1-9(D)1 of the *Clinton City Code* Finding that a Nuisance Does or Does Not Exist at 120 S. 11th Street, Potentially Directing Abatement within a Specified Time and Authorizing Summary Abatement if the Specified Deadline is Not Met;

The Council reviewed the status of the 120 S. 11th Street and held discussion pursuant to Section 5-1-9(D)1 of the *Clinton City Code* finding that a nuisance does or does not exist at 120 S. 11th street, potentially directing abatement within a specified time and authorizing summary abatement if the specified deadline is not met. Council members who had driven by say that it appears to be substantially cleaned up.

The motion was made by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman McComas to find that a nuisance does not presently exist at 120 S. 11th Street.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, McComas, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 NEW BUSINESS (If any, pursuant to Section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.)

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

City Manager Johnston reported on several items: bids for asbestos abatement for the Glancy Motel property are due June 21st and hopefully we will be moving forward with abatement and then demolition this summer. The new logo on the basketball court will be completed soon so that the MODA grant can be closed out by June 30. The universal access grant for McClain Rogers Park is moving along and this grant was for the assessment only. The grant for the new Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is moving forward as we are anticipating a meeting soon with Clyde Morgan of SWODA and the Planning and Zoning Board. Some grant opportunities have been identified that would provide art activities at the VA Center. In addition, meetings have been held regarding a grant application to the Oklahoma Arts Council for which would fund ten free, family-friendly concerts per year for 3 years in the McClain Rogers Amphitheatre. This grant is a multi-step application which Jamie Phipps is working with a grant person on.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (According to Audience participation Decorum Guidelines at Clinton City Council Public Meeting s

effective:2/14/2017)

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman McComas to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, McComas, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

Date Approved

David D. Berrong, Mayor