

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023**

Minutes of the regular 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, September 5, 2023, 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 31, 2023, at 5:00 P.M.

Vice-Mayor Ernie Dowdell called the meeting to order at 5:43 p.m.

Mayor: David Berrong (absent)

COUNCILMEN: Patch McComas, Ernie Dowdell, Arthur Lloyd, Ernesto Villanueva (absent)

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Mike Smith, Nydia Campbell

OTHERS: Luis De la Torre, Gene McCullough, Stormie Hill, Danny Tharp, Lana Johnston, Shauna Hacker, Joshua McGuire, Robert Stewart, Bobby Stewart and others.

Gene McCullough 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 August 15, 2023, Regular Meeting
- B. Consider Claims
- C. Acknowledgement of the Receipt of Financial Reports for the Month Ending July 31, 2023
- D. Approve Appointment of Nicole Bryson to Western Plains Library System Board to Represent the City of Clinton
- E. Approve Repairs to US 183 and Gary Blvd Traffic Lights.

Motion was made by Councilman McComas and seconded by Councilman Lloyd that the Consent Agenda Items be approved.

Vice-Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Lloyd, McComas

Nay: None

Vice-Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS 3. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Resolution 962 – Declaring an Emergency to Exist Regarding the Urgent Need to Reopen Clinton Regional Hospital, and Acknowledging that Consequently, the Clinton Hospital Authority Will Utilize Exceptions to the Competitive Bidding Ordinances as Authorized by Section 3-1-1 (C) of the Clinton City Code Regarding Declaring An Emergency To Exist Regarding The Urgent Need To Reopen Clinton Regional Hospital And Authorizing The Clinton Hospital Authority To Utilize The Exceptions To The City’s Competitive Bidding Ordinances As Authorized By Subsection 3-1-1 (C) (4) Of The Clinton City Code.**

City Attorney Meacham explained that this resolution would allow for certain purchases for the hospital to be purchased with an exception to the competitive bidding process.

Motion was made by Councilman McComas and seconded by Councilman Lloyd to a approve Resolution No. 962 Declaring an Emergency To Exist Regarding The Urgent Need To Reopen Clinton Regional Hospital And Authorizing The Clinton Hospital Authority To Utilize The Exceptions To The City’s Competitive Bidding Ordinances As Authorized By Subsection 3-1-1 (C) (4) Of The Clinton City Code.

Vice- Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Lloyd, McComas

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

- B. Resolution 963 – Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Properties Presently Owned by the City of Clinton to the Clinton Industrial Authority by Quit Claim Deed to Facilitate Disposal of Those Properties in the Future**

City Manager Johnston reported that Resolution No. 963 will be brought back for approval at a future meeting as the staff are still working their way through property inventory list.

No action taken.

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

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (According to Audience participation Decorum Guidelines at Clinton City Council Public Meetings effective:2/14/2017)

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilman McComas seconded by Councilman Lloyd to adjourn the meeting.

Vice-Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, McComas, Lloyd

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:49 P.M.

Date Approved

Ernie Dowdell, Vice-Mayor