

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 21, 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, November 21, 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 November 17, 2023, at 3:00 P.M.

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

COUNCIL: Ernie Dowdell, Stormie Hill, Arthur Lloyd, Ernesto Villanueva

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham (absent)

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Mike Smith, Nydia Campbell

OTHERS: Luis De la Torre, Shauna Hacker, Joshua McGuire, Bobby Stewart, Don Miller, Brett Russell, Cindy Bowen, Paul Hill, Justin Hill, Temple Diehl, Danny Tharp, Gene McCullough, Nancy Smith, Julie Caldwell, Doug Greer, Blake Shadden, Max McKinsey, Jimmy Laughlin, Landon Littke, Len Lacefield, Dillion Mach, Paige Poeling, and others.

Temple Diehl, Pastor, First United Methodist Church opened the meeting with prayer and Don Miller, Post Commander, American Legion Post 41 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the November 7, 2023, Regular Meeting.
- B. Approval of Parades on Frisco Avenue Scheduled from 11/28/23 through 11/26/2024.

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

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

A. Continuation of Interlocal Agreement Between Clinton Public Schools and the City of Clinton School Resource Officer Program in School Year 23-24.

City Manager Johnston reported that there are two officers assigned to SRO duty and that DARE program is being brought back into the school as well. The positive interaction between children and the officers is evident at football games and other community events. The City and Schools have worked closely for “worst case scenario” training. Johnston stated that this is a good program for the City and Schools.

Motion was made by Councilman Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Villanueva to continue the Interlocal Agreement between Clinton Public Schools and the City of Clinton School Resource Officer Program in School Year 23-24.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, 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 that the Midtown Travel Inn asbestos abatement project is completed and the City will be accepting bids for demolition on November 30, 2023. The fences will be left up to help with the security of the property. He stated that a meeting with Lethers Playground Equipment was held to discuss the current condition of the wooden playground equipment at Acme Brick Park. He stated that this is the company that originally sold the playground and coordinated the installation with City Volunteers. The wooden equipment was custom designed for the city. He stated that City will be evaluating the report by Lethers regarding the options for the current structure and life expectancy of it. He will also be considering the minor repairs that can be addressed more quickly. City Manager stated that it will not disappear but we will be gathering additional information from the report to bring at future meetings to determine how to

move forward with the aging wooden playground structure.

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 Dowdell seconded by Councilman Villanueva to adjourn the meeting.

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

Aye: Dowdell, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Date Approved

David Berrong, Mayor