

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 16, 2024**

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, April 16, 2024, 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 March 29, 2024, at 4:00 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

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

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: John Adams, Sean Stephens

OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Shauna Hacker, Joshua McGuire, Robert & Rachel Stewart, Steve Gordon, Tucker Sterns, Dillon Whitten, Dillon Bach, Nick Gilhowsky, Bret Russell, Eve Adams, Susanna Williams and others.

Clinton Fire Chief Brett Russell opened the meeting in prayer, and Mayor David Berrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of the April 2, 2024, Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember 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. PUBLIC HEARING – To Discuss the possibility of the City of Clinton submitting a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to the Oklahoma Department fo Commerce for 2024 funding.

Mayor Berrong called the Public Hearing to order at 6:32 p.m. City Manager Robert Johnston welcomed Clyde Morgan, SWODA Director of Community Development and stated that the City is holding the hearing to be eligible to receive grant funding and discuss possible community projects that would be guidelines.

Mr. Morgan presented information regarding the grant guidelines on funding and engineering. He reported that the March 2020 income survey can still be used for the funding year 2024. He stated that the population was 9,045 and that 63.75% of the population was low to moderate income (5,766). He stated that a resolution for approval of matching funds for engineering only projects over \$600,000 and a resolution for application for the CDBG grant would be needed from the City. The City would also need to approve the Citizen Participation Plan as part of the application. Mr. Morgan stated that the projects funded by the CDGB Grants should benefit the entire community.

Mayor asked if anyone present had any questions or comments. No questions were asked. Mayor thanked Mr. Morgan for coming. The Public Hearing ended at 6:36 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS 4. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION(S) REGARDING:

A. Resolution No. 980 – Canvassing the Results of the Special Election Conducted in the City of Clinton, Oklahoma on the 2nd Day of April 2024 for the Approval of Ordinance N. 1029 granting a Franchise to One Gas, Inc.

The Resolution No. 980 – Canvassing the Results of the Special Election Conducted in the City of Clinton, Oklahoma on the 2nd Day of April 2024 for the Approval of Ordinance No. 1029 granting a Franchise to One Gas, Inc. was presented for review and approval by the Council.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve Resolution No. 980.

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

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. Resolution No. 982 – A Resolution Establishing the Indemnity Bond or Liability Insurance Requirements.

Resolution No. 982 – A Resolution Establishing the Indemnity Bond or Liability Insurance Requirements was presented for review and approval. City Manager Johnston stated

that this resolution was established many years ago and changes regarding the insurance requirements needed to be adjusted.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve Resolution No. 982 A Resolution Establishing the Indemnity Bond or Liability Insurance Requirements.

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. 5 NEW BUSINESS (If any, pursuant to Section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.):

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

City Manager Johnston stated that the budget process is continuing as we prepare for June 18, 2024, budget approval date. He stated that the pool contractor will be back in about April 25th to finish the pool work. The McLain Rogers Park Amphitheater green room project is continuing with the Levitt Concert Series' first concert set for May 10, 2024. As stated, before the Prebid conference for the Chemical Feed Building is on Thursday at the Clinton Lake Plant. Engineers are currently working on the water line relocation projects. A resolution for the renaming of the street will be coming next month as the family of Emma Jordan requested to have the resolution approved closer to the event they are planning for May 25th. And the resurfacing of the basketball court at Joe Baker Park is set to get underway soon.

Information only.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: 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 Councilmember Dowdell seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:41P.M.

Date Approved

David Berrong, Mayor