

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
May 7, 2024**

Minutes of the special 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, May 7, 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 May 3, 2024, at 4:00 P.M.

**AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING**

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 6:04 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:** Mike Smith, Angela Nichols

**OTHERS:** Gene McCullough, Shauna Hacker, Donnie Phipps, Toby Anders, Bobby Stewart, Pat Peters, Don Miller, Jason Hulin, Johnnie & Tina Dixon, Kent & Beth Dewees and others.

Pat Peters, Pastor, Church of Christ 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 April 23, 2024, Regular Meeting
- B. Consider Claims
- C. Acknowledge Receipt of Financial report for the Month Ending March 31, 2024

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. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION(S) REGARDING:**

**A. Resolution No. 983 – Declaring Certain Clinton Police Department Shotguns to be Surplus and Authorizing Disposal by Trading Them in for Three Glock 45 Caliber Pistols**

City Manager Johnston and Police Chief De La Torre referred to Police Captain Shane Harrelson's and his own written agenda commentary reporting that these shotguns have not been used in 16 years and are in poor condition. The guns were evaluated by the COPS Gun Shop in Oklahoma City. The 11 shotguns total value is \$1,650.00. The owner of the COPS Gun Shop offered to trade the 11 shotguns for 3 Glock 45's valued at \$1,650.00. Since the CPD provides handguns to its officers this is a beneficial trade.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve Resolution 983 - Declaring Certain Clinton Police Department Shotguns to be Surplus and Authorizing Disposal by Trading Them in for Three Glock 45 Caliber Pistols.

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. Ballot for Two Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) Board Trustees**

City Manager Johnston presented the Ballot for Two Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) Board Trustees. Manager Johnston stated that he knows the incumbents and most of the other candidates. Based upon their deep reservoirs of municipal experience he recommended voting for the incumbents Mike Bailey, City Manager, Bartlesville and Craig Stephenson, City Manager, Ponca City. Letters sent by the nominees were provided in your packets.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve the Ballot for Two Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group (OMAG) Board Trustees with the City of Clinton voting for the incumbents Mr. Mike Bailey, City Manager, Bartlesville and Mr. Craig Stephenson, City Manager, Ponca City.

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

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**C. Utility Relocation Agreement with ODOT for Water Line Relocations on Exit 65 Project**

City Manager Johnston presented an email and contracts from Project Engineer, Garver Engineering for the Utility Relocation Agreement with ODOT for Water Line Relocations on Exit 65 Project. Mr. Johnston stated that this is just another pre-construction phase to get the project moving forward towards bidding the work.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Villanueva to approve the Utility Relocation Agreement with ODOT for Water Line Relocations on Exit 65 Project

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

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

**D. Utility Relocation Agreement with ODOT For Sewer Line Relocations on Exit 65 Project**

City Manager Johnston presented an email and contracts from Project Engineer, Garver Engineering for the Utility Relocation Agreement with ODOT for Sewer Line Relocations on Exit 65 Project. Mr. Johnston stated that this is another preconstruction phase to get the project moving forward towards bidding the work.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilman Villanueva to approve the Utility Relocation Agreement with ODOT for Sewer Line Relocations on Exit 65 Project

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 many other projects are going on, including: the repairs and repainting of the municipal swimming pool are nearing completion; refurbishment at the McLain Rogers Park Amphitheater is moving forward with the first concert in the park this season to include the return engagement of the 77<sup>th</sup> Army Band on May 10th. Also, City Attorney Meacham, PWD McCullough and he participated in a conference call with PSO this morning regarding a strip of land and potential alley closures where the new substation is being built near N. 1<sup>st</sup> & Orient. The new transmission lines and substation are a benefit to the community.

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 6:14 P.M.

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Date Approved

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David Berrong, Mayor