

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 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, December 3, 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 November 27, 2024, at 4:00 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong

COUNCIL: Stormie Hill, Arthur Lloyd, Ernesto Villanueva

COUNCIL ABSENT: Ernie Dowdell

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard (absent)

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Gena Trent, Hope King, Sean Stephens

OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Shauna Hacker, Kent & Beth Dewees, Danny Tharp, Kent Jagers, Billy & Cheryl McCullers, Toby Anders, Luis De La Torre, Tracy Yoder, Joshua McGuire, and others.

Kent Jagers, Pastor, First Baptist Church opened the meeting with prayer and Mayor David Berrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the November 19, 2024, Regular Meeting
- B. Consider Claims
- C. Acknowledgment of the Receipt of the Financial Statement from October 31, 2024.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Hill that the Consent Agenda Items be approved.

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

Aye: Hill, Lloyd, Hill, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS 3. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ALLEGED DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES AT 1011 AVANT OWNED BY JOHN W. OSBORNE

Code Enforcement Toby Anders presented the information regarding the property at 1011 Avant owned by John W. Osborne. The property deteriorated over the years and has not had active water service since August 2020. Mr. Osborne was sent a violation notice 6/10/24 on the condition of the structure and the unkept yard. The owner failed to secure the house or mow the yard. On August 14, 2024, the City of Clinton held an abatement hearing to address the condition of the property, the owner failed to appear at the hearing. Since the owner failed to appear at the hearing the City Manager ordered that the yard be mowed, the structure be secured and move forward towards potential condemnation and abatement of the structure. When the contractor secured the structure, I took photos of the interior of the house which showed clear signs of squatters and vandalism in the residence. The Clinton Police Department has also received numerous calls regarding unauthorized people in the house which they removed. The Notice of Hearing was sent by certified mail, posted on the structure on 11/18/24 and published in the Clinton Daily newspaper on 11/19/24. Additionally, there has not been any response to letters mailed to the J.P. Morgan Chase mortgage holder of the property.

Neither the property owner nor any representative was in attendance to report on their intentions regarding the property.

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

A. Summary Abatement of the Property at 1011 Avant owned by John W. Osborne.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Council Member Lloyd to approve Summary Abatement of the Property at 1011 Avant owned by John W. Osborne.

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

Aye: Hill, Lloyd, Hill, Berrong

Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. Airport Fee Adjustments

City Manager Johnston commented regarding the need to approve updated airport fee adjustments for hangar and land rentals to comply with Fair Market Value requirements set forth by the FAA and OAC for grant funding eligibility. Tracy Yoder, Airport FBO was present and provided information regarding the airport hangars and the proposed rates.

CLINTON REGIONAL AIRPORT PROPOSED RATES 1/1/2025

HANGAR RENT	Proposed Monthly Rate
Airport Hangar Rental Hangar A -(1) Future T-Hangars	\$ 150.00
Larger Hangar Rental Hangar B, F (2,3)	\$ 175.00
Larger Hangar Rental Hangar B, F (2 & 3) NON AIRCRAFT STORAGE	\$ 250.00
Commercial Hangar J-C	\$ 525.00
Maintenance Hangar G-C	\$ 496.00
Lean To G-C2	\$ 150.00
Storage Unit additional to hangar rent	\$ 50.00
Storage Unit non aircraft	\$ 75.00
New Box Hangar L-C	\$ 1,000.00

LAND LEASE RENT	Proposed Annual Rate
D-P Hangar 51x48	\$ 612.00
I-P Hangar 70 x 70	\$ 1,078.00
K-P Hangar 50 x 70	\$ 770.00

Motion was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Council Member Lloyd to approve the Proposed Airport Rates 1/1/2025.

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

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

Mayor declared the motion carried.

C. Planning and Zoning Board Members Appointment – Mark Minor

Mayor Berrong presented the Planning and Zoning Board Appointment – Mark Minor for approval to the Council. He reported that Mr. Minor would replace Julie Strong who recently moved from our community. She had served on the Planning and Zoning board from July 2008 to December 1, 2024.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Councilmember Lloyd to approve Planning and Zoning Board Appointment – Mark Minor for the rest of Ms. Strong's term which will end July 1, 2026.

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

Aye: Hill, Lloyd, Hill, 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 reported that he and Public Works Director McCullough had attended a meeting at ODOT this morning with all of the utility companies who need to relocate their lines before the Exit 65 Project can proceed to bidding. The most recent review of the sewer and water lines revealed some a relatively minor sewer line relocation change that need to be made causing a small delay. We should expect to go to bid in January for the sewer and water line utility relocation, with the water line relocation the higher priority.

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. 9: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Hill seconded by Councilmember Lloyd to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

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

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:47 P.M.

Date Approved _____
David Berrong, Mayor