

## **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES**

Mayor Scott Burton called the City Council meeting to order on October 30, 2017 at Clinton City Hall at 5:33pm. Councilman Larry Gann, Councilman Brian Hatmaker, Councilman Rob Herrell, Councilman Jim McBride and Councilman E.T. Stamey were present. Councilman Zach Farrar was late, arrived at 6:40pm.

### **Guest and Staff present:**

Ron Young	Janet Hawkins	Roger Houck
Kelly Johnson	RaeAnn Owens	Rick Scarbrough
Scott Rhea	Archie Brummitt	Bill Riggs
Stacy Pratt	Jason Brown	Lynn Murphy
Don Raines	Gail Cook	Gina Ridenour

Councilman Rob Herrell made a motion to approve the agenda and seconded by Councilman Jim McBride. Motion carried.

Prayer was led by Councilman Jim McBride followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Rob Herrell made a motion to approve September 25, 2017 minutes, seconded by Councilman Brian Hatmaker. Motion carried.

### **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND CITIZENS**

Mayor Burton asked for comments from citizens.

Rick Meredith, Anderson County Chamber thanked city staff for their participation with the fall festival and asked for an update regarding the Magnet Mills property.

Kelly Johnson introduced the Clinton City Schools Boys and Girls basketball team, Clinton Blaze and congratulated the students.

### **COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR**

Councilman Larry Gann read a proclamation recognizing Red Ribbon Week.

Mayor Burton thanked the Rotary Club for their efforts and participation for proclamation World Polio Day and asked Councilman E.T. Stamey to present this proclamation.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **City School Board Report**

Ms. Kelly Johnson presented the school report and stated that they ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in the State of Tennessee in the Energy Efficiency program. She continued to report that the school system is utilizing resources to enhance their arts and music programs. Ms. Johnson announced that the schools would implement new science standards next year and have officially entered a partnership with ORAU, who will participate in teacher training and provide resources to help implement those standards. TN Ready reports have come in and the city schools composite score was 5. North Clinton was awarded a "Reward School" status which means they scored in the top 5% of schools

across the state in school growth. Overall, school staff was very pleased with their scores and Ms. Johnson contributed these accomplishments to their teachers and staff.

Scott Rhea presented the school financial report.

### **Clinton Regional Planning Commission Report**

Councilman Larry Gann reported that the Board had no business to conduct and did not meet.

### **Board of Zoning Appeals**

Councilman Larry Gann reported that the Board had no business to conduct and did not meet.

### **Clinton Utilities Board Report**

Councilman Jim McBride presented the CUB report.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Houck request that the regular December Council meeting be changed to Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 immediately following the City's Christmas luncheon. Councilman Jim McBride made the motion to change the December meeting to the 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 and seconded by Councilman Larry Gann. Motion carried.

City Manager Houck reported that the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) has recommended a "Railroad Grade Crossing" improvement project for the Yarnell Road/Norfolk-Southern Railway crossing. Projects of this type were previously 100% Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funded; however, a change in the law now provides a 90% FHWA funding cap with a required 10% local funding match. The total estimated cost for this project is \$349,239.00, which will require a local match of \$34,923.00. City Manager Houck requested that based on the recommendation of TDOT, and the need for improved safety at this particular railroad crossing, he recommends approval of the 10% Local Match for this project in the amount of \$34,923.00, to be funded from the General Fund – Unassigned Fund Balance. Councilman E.T. Stamey made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Rob Herrell. Motion carried.

Gail Cook presented the financial report.

City Manager Houck reported that the city had removed the following vehicles from service and recommended they be declared surplus to be placed the GovDeals website for disposal:

- 2003 Ford Crown Victoria – VIN #2FAFP71W03X106302, 126,152 miles
- 2008 Ford Crown Victoria – VIN #2FAFP71V38X119012, 155,277 miles

Councilman Jim McBride made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Rob Herrell. Motion carried.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **First Reading of New Ordinances**

**Ordinance #629** – Amending CMC Title 2, Chapter 3 regarding “tree maintenance on public property”. Councilman Brian Hatmaker made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Jim McBride. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution No. 760** - TML-RMP Property Conservation Matching Grant Program – grant for security camera upgrades. Councilman Jim McBride made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Rob Herrell. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Burton asked for a motion to go into executive session regarding the Magnet Mills property status and Glen Alpine Convenience Center. Councilman Jim McBride made the motion for executive session and seconded by Councilman E.T. Stamey. Motion carried. Councilman Zach Farrar arrived at 6:40pm and attended executive session.

Mayor Burton reconvened the meeting at 6:55pm and asked City Manager Houck to provide an update on the Magnet Mills property. City Manager Houck reported that 2 buildings have been demolished and the grounds are being cleaned up. Codes Enforcement Officer has sent letters regarding the other two buildings but has seen very little progress. Attorney Albert Harb spoke about his involvement and what actions he recommends. Councilman Rob Herrell made a motion to continue the slum ordinance process for enforcement actions to include the water tower and building 1. Councilman E.T. Stamey seconded the motion, motion carried.

Councilman Zach Farrar made a motion to pursue foreclosure action relative to judicial liens assessed by the Clinton Municipal Court. Councilman Jim McBride seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Larry Gann made the motion to include the City’s clean-up on the property in the City’s delinquent tax sale, when such taxes become delinquent. Councilman Rob Herrell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman Jim McBride made a motion to explore a re-development plan for the Magnet Mills property. Councilman Zach Farrar seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Burton stated he was excited for the Glen Alpine Convenience Center to be relocated, and suggested that we strongly encourage County Commission to purchase property for the center’s relocation.

**NEW BUSINESS**

City Manager Houck updated the Council on the process and progress of the transfer of the Green McAdoo Cultural Center to the State of Tennessee. After discussion, the City Manager requested authorization to proceed with the transfer of the Green McAdoo Cultural Center to the State of Tennessee including authorization to execute the applicable deeds and agreements as necessary. Councilman Jim McBride made the motion to approve the City Manager's request. Councilman Rob Herrell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

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Mayor Scott Burton

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Regina Ridenour, City Recorder