

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES

Mayor Scott Burton called the regular City Council meeting to order on August 26, 2019 at Clinton City Hall at 5:31pm. Councilman Larry Gann, Councilman Zach Farrar, Councilman Brian Hatmaker, Councilman Rob Herrell, Councilman Jim McBride and Councilman E.T. Stamey were present.

Guest and Staff present:

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| Kelly Johnson | Jason Brown | Angela Sylvester |
| Scott Rhea | Gail Cook | Bill Riggs |
| Archie Brummitt | Gina Ridenour | Vaughn Becker |
| | | Dwayne Wilkerson |

See attached list

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

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

Councilman Farrar made a motion to approve July 22, 2019 minutes and seconded by Councilman McBride. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND CITIZENS

Mayor Burton asked for comments from citizens.

County Mayor Terry Frank spoke about relocating a new Anderson County Animal Shelter to land available in the Carden Farm Industrial Park. She stated that the county did not have property with infrastructure that was easily accessible for residents. She made a request to partner with the City in a long term/low cost lease agreement for this property.

City Manager Houck stated that Mayor Frank has been working to secure funding for construction of a new Animal Shelter said this site was not suitable for industrial use and the city has not had any prospective clients for that site. He requested authorization to work with Mayor Frank and Anderson County on a long-term/low cost lease for this site with Council approval obtained on the final Lease Agreement. Councilman Farrar made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Stamey. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Burton requested approval of Steve Clapp's appointment to serve the remainder of Charles Price position on the CUB Board with a term ending July 1, 2021. Councilman Herrell made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Hatmaker. Motion carried.

Mayor Burton requested approval of Mark Lucas' appointment to the E-911 board with term ending July 1, 2023. Councilman Stamey made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman McBride.

Mayor Burton continued Jason Brown's appointment to the Anderson County Tourism Board with a term ending June 30, 2020.

Discussed Eagle Bend traffic/public safety issues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City School Board Report

Ms. Johnson stated that the 5th and 6th graders participated in the Clinton 12 Ceremony which was a very meaningful and emotional event and thanked all who organized the event. Ms. Johnson discussed TNReady scores and stated that Clinton City Schools was awarded Exemplary status for the second year in a row. The schools were 1 of the 20 districts out of 147 school districts in the state to receive that status. Clinton Elementary was awarded a “Reward School” for the second year in a row and in district determination ratings, city schools received a composite score of 5.

Clinton Board of Zoning Appeals

Councilman Larry Gann stated that the Board met August 12, 2019. Applicant Eric Woodard’s request for side set back variance from 7’ to 5’ for property located at 216 Hillcrest St. was approved.

Clinton Regional Planning Commission

Councilman Larry Gann stated that the Board met August 12, 2019. Applicant STNL Clinton LLC request for site plan approval and final plat approval for property located at Fox Lane was approved.

Applicant Blackhorse Capital Partners request for annexation and B-4 zoning for property located on Sinking Springs Rd. The board approved the motion to recommend annexation and plan of services for City Council consideration.

Applicant Blackhorse Capital Partners request for final plat approval for property located at Sinking Springs Rd. was approved contingent on Council approval of annexation.

Request from applicant Aspire Foundation for site plan approval for property located at Yarnell Road was approved contingent on continuous coordination with city departments.

Applicant Jenks and Dudley Bostic request for final plat approval for property located at 333 Market St. was approved.

Clinton Utilities Board Report

Councilman Farrar presented the CUB report.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Houck discussed that the City had received notification from the Tennessee Department of Transportation of the award of our Transportation Alternatives Program – Phase 1 Grant application. This project will provide for pedestrian improvements and streetscaping from the Walking Trail at Lakefront Park along East Broad Street and North Main Street to North Hicks Street/Cullom Street.

City Manager Houck stated the Annual Employees Luncheon will be held on Wednesday December 18, 2019 from 12pm – 1:00pm at the Clinton Community Center. Due to the Holiday schedule it is necessary to change the December City Council meeting and he recommended follow immediately after the luncheon. Councilman Stamey made the motion to move December meeting to the 18th after the luncheon and seconded by Councilman Herrell. Motion carried.

City Manager Houck stated that after the recent administrative staff changes it was necessary to appoint a new Deputy City Recorder, in accordance with the requirements of Article IV, Section 6 of the City of Clinton Charter. He appointed Gail Cook as Deputy City Recorder and requested Council approval of this appointment. Councilman Farrar made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Hatmaker. Motion carried.

Gail Cook, Finance Director, presented the finance report.

City Manager Houck reported that in accordance with the City's Fund Balance Policy he requested authorization to Assign Fund Balance for the following:

• Excess Local Revenues:

\$750,000.00 – Total Assigned for Capital Projects (\$500,000 for approved Firetruck purchase and \$250,000 for Harbor Drive issues and paving that road).

Councilman Stamey made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Gann. Motion carried.

City Manager Houck requested the Recreation Department has requested to purchase a new truck to replace a 2009 Ford truck with over 194,000 miles, which has a bad transmission. A new 2019 truck is available for purchase on the expiring Statewide Contract from Ford of Murfreesboro for a total cost of \$25,803.00. City Manager Houck request that city staff negotiate with local dealers for a comparable truck at the same or lower cost. Based on the need to replace this vehicle, he requested authorization to purchase a Ford F-150 Pick-Up Truck (or comparable model) from either Ford of Murfreesboro or a local dealer for a total cost not to exceed \$26,000.00. Councilman Hatmaker made the motion to approve purchase and seconded by Councilman McBride. Motion carried.

NEW RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

First Reading of Resolution No. 780 – Sinking Springs Road Annexation and Plan of Services.

Councilman McBride made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Stamey. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

First Reading of Ordinances

Ordinance No. 644 – Sinking Springs Road Zoning. Councilman Farrar made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman Gann. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.


Resolution No. 781 – TML Driver Safety Grant. Councilman Gann made the motion to approve and seconded by Councilman McBride. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Jim McBride made a motion to allow city staff/City Manager to contact Lamar Advertising to reskin the billboards and to discuss changes to the advertisement, seconded by Councilman Rob Herrell. After much discussion as to what is advertised on the billboards, motion carried by roll call vote with 4 voting yea, Councilman McBride, Councilman Herrell, Councilman Hatmaker and Councilman Stamey and 3 nay votes by Councilman Gann, Councilman Farrar and Mayor Burton.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.


Mayor Scott Burton


Regina Ridenour, City Recorder

