

## RESOLUTION NO. 720

**WHEREAS**, Jaycee Park was initially dedicated to the use and enjoyment of the citizens of Clinton over fifty years ago "... for park, recreational and educational purposes only..." as provided for by the original deed conveying the property to the City of Clinton; and

**WHEREAS**, the land was conveyed by Frank R. Moore and the Anderson County Fair and Stock Association to Clinton Park, Inc. in 1931. Clinton Park, Inc. was constituted in 1931 by T.L. Seeber, C.S. Kincaid, W.W. Underwood, J.S. Hall, and Ben F. Alexander for the support, maintenance and operation of the park. In 1941, Clinton Park, Inc. conveyed the park to the Town of Clinton.

**WHEREAS**, at the time of its dedication on July 4, 1963, a swimming pool, numerous picnic tables and a large pavilion had been erected requiring the removal of over 100 trees and the placement of over 300 truck loads of topsoil to cover the numerous rock outcrops in the area leaving the lovely rolling terrain and large shade trees that we all enjoy today. This work was accomplished by a \$2,500 donation from the City, a \$1,500 donation by the Junior Chamber of Commerce and hundreds of man hours of labor by the Clinton Jaycees with use of City equipment and machines; and

**WHEREAS**, through the years Jaycee Park has been substantially enhanced with the addition or replacement of playgrounds and horseshoe pits. Numerous competitive class tennis courts have been installed along with an outdoor basketball court. A nine-tenths mile walking and exercise trail was added in the early 1980s and is one of the most used recreational facilities in the town. The swimming pool, now into its 51<sup>st</sup> season, has been continuously upgraded and dressing rooms and concessions booths added. After all these years, it remains one of the nicest public swimming pools in the area. Truly Jaycee Park is an excellent and leading example of what a small town park and recreational complex should be; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Clinton City Council commemorates the over 50 year existence of Jaycee Park and its provision of excellent leisure and recreational activities for the people of Clinton as intended by the Jaycees who gave so much of their time and labor over 50 years ago to its creation.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clinton City Council pledges its best efforts to preserve and perpetuate the high quality of Jaycee Park for the next 50 years and beyond.

Adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014



Mayor Scott Burton



Regina Ridenour, City Recorder