

April 25, 2011

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL – MINUTES

Mayor Burton called the regular City Council Meeting to order on April 25, 2011 at Clinton City Hall. Councilman Larry Gann, Councilman Robert Herrell, Councilman Charlie Lyons, Councilman Jim McBride, Councilman Jerry Shattuck and Councilman E.T. Stamey were present.

Guest and Staff present:

Ron Young	Archie Brummitt	Curtis Perez
Ken Leinart	Gail Cook	Gina Ridenour
Vickie Violette	Roger Houck	Rick Scarbrough
Dale Isabell	Lynn Murphy	

Councilman Charlie Lyons made the motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Councilman E.T. Stamey. Councilman Jerry Shattuck made motion to move reading of the Proclamation from item #13 to be read after the Pledge of Allegiance. Second made by Councilman Charlie Lyons, motion carried.

Prayer was led by Rev. George Williams, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Proclamation honoring Rev. George Williams was read by Councilman Jim McBride. Motion made by Councilman Jerry Shattuck to adopt Proclamation and second by Councilman E.T. Stamey. Motion carried.

Councilman Jim McBride made the motion to approve the March 28, 2011 regular meeting minutes and Councilman E.T. Stamey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND CITIZENS

Mayor Burton asked for any public comments.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION

Mayor Burton recommended Bill Riggs for the opening on the Clinton E-911 Board, term ending July 2013. Motion made by Councilman E.T. Stamey and second by Councilman Jerry Shattuck. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

School Board Report -

Dr. Vickie Violet reported that the last day of school May 24, 2011. Also, reported on the sidewalk situation in regards to the students who walk home and the need for the City to provide

more sidewalks. At the present time, she states that this is not a priority need however, if the City has funds they could finish the walk on Hiway Drive from South Clinton Elementary to the

Fire Hall which is a high traffic area. Dr. Violette presented the City Schools Annual Report. She also reported that the School Board did vote to reallocate \$40,000 to the joint venture for a driveway at South Clinton Elementary School.

Dale Isabell presented the Schools Financial Report and request approval of Budget Amendment #6 from City Council. Motion was made by Councilman Larry Gann and second by Councilman E.T. Stamey. Motion carried.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Larry Gann reported the Board met on April 11, 2011. Anderson County Schools request for accessory structure located at 301 W. Broad Street was granted. Applicant Fred England's request for front setback variance located at N. Charles Seivers Blvd. was approved. Request for variance to the on-site parking requirements for a storage facility from applicant Phil Harber located at 710-712 S. Charles G. Seivers Blvd. was also approved.

Clinton Regional Planning Commission Report –

Councilman Larry Gann reported the Regional Planning Commission met on April 11, 2011. Applicant Fred England's request for final site plan approval for Hurricane Alley 3 Minute Car Wash located at N. Charles G. Seivers Blvd was approved. Final site plan approval for proposed storage facility from applicant Phil Harber located at 710-712 S. Charles G. Seivers Blvd. was also approved. Request for final site plan from applicant Cathy Brown for property located at 710 Eagle Bend Road was approved.

Clinton Utilities Board Report –

Councilman Charlie Lyons reported that Clinton Utilities Board met and April 14, 2011 and reported that pay vouchers were \$8,644,360.00 and after all bills were paid, net was \$539,331.00. Also, commented that the water treatment plant is 90% complete.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

I. CURRENT PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

City Manager Roger Houck reported that the Annual Spring Antique Festival will be held downtown Clinton on Market Street, beginning Friday May 6th, and Saturday, May 7th.

City Manager Roger Houck met with a representative from Lamar Advertising, regarding the availability, locations and pricing for billboards in the I-75 area and discussed the options provided. Councilman Jerry Shattuck made motion for City Manager Roger Houck to enter into final negotiations with Lamar for a sign north bound just before Exit 122 and a sign south bound before Exit 122 for a period of 6 months. Second made by Councilman Jim McBride. Motion carried.

City Manager Roger Houck reported that the legal staff at UT-MTAS, and TML-RMP did not recommend making a change to our ordinance allowing “charitable” roadblocks inside the city limits.

Discussed the partnership between the Public Works Department and the City school system to build an additional entrance into the South Clinton Elementary School. The Public Works and the school system will share the costs for the project, estimated at \$80,000. Construction will begin immediately and is scheduled for completion on June 30, 2011.

City Manager Roger Houck discussed the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) and stated that the Public Works Department staff evaluated the bids and recommends the contract be awarded to Davis H. Elliot Construction Co., Inc., of Lexington, KY, at a total cost of \$62,747.00. Councilman Larry Gann made the motion to approve recommendation and second by Councilman Rob Herrell. Motion carried.

II. DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

A. ADMINISTRATION

City Manager Roger Houck introduced Finance Director Gail Cook and reported that she would provide a draft copy of the budget for the 2011/2012 fiscal year before April 29th. City Manager Roger Houck recommended holding a budget workshop during the week of May 16. After the workshop Finance Director Gail Cook will prepare a Budget and Tax Rate Ordinance for First Reading at the May 23, 2011 Council Meeting.

B. CODES ENFORCEMENT

1. The Codes Enforcement Department’s monthly activity summary for March 2011 was included in council package.

C. FIRE DEPARTMENT

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D. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Rick Scarbrough presented the City’s bicycle unit for Special Events.

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E. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

City Manager Roger Houck reported that the Public Works Department brush volume has been more than triple the normal amount, and employees have been re-assigned from some normal daily operations to assist with the brush collection efforts. Also reported

that maintenance crews are busy with mowing, trimming, and litter collection throughout the city and that the demand for litter collection and mowing near the I-75 interchange keeps crews especially busy in that part of the city. In order to save with mowing contractor costs, TDOT mows this area three times per year and in order to keep the area attractive Public Works crews must supplement their efforts.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS -

First reading of:

Ordinance # 586 – Amending Title 14, Section 14-309.1 of the Clinton Municipal Code – “Sign Definitions”

Councilman Jerry Shattuck made motion to adopt Ordinance 586 on first reading. Second made by Councilman Charlie Lyons. Motion carried.

Second reading of:

Ordinance # 585 – Amending Title 14, Section 14-309.3 of the Clinton Municipal Code – “Prohibited Signs”. Councilman Jim McBride made the motion to adopt Ordinance 585 and second by Councilman Rob Herrell. After brief discussion motion carried.

Ordinance # 578 – Amending Title 14, Section 14-204.46 and Section 14-309 of the Clinton Municipal Code – “Dynamic Signs, Directory Signs, etc.” Councilman Larry Gann made motion to adopt Ordinance 578 and second by Councilman Rob Herrell. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS –

NEW BUSINESS –

Councilman Jerry Shattuck discussed the Mayor’s appointment of a new Retail Task Force and commented on the existing Retail Task Force, which has been inactive due to the economy, and stated that the appointments haven’t been brought before City Council for approval. He further recommended that some business developers, such as Ronnie Fox and Tommy Hicks should be included on the Task Force due to their experience and past involvement with the City. Mayor Scott Burton read the list of appointments to the Retail Task Force for approval of City Council. Councilman Jim McBride made motion for approval and second by E.T. Stamey. Motion carried with exception of Councilman Jerry Shattuck who passed. Councilman Jerry Shattuck read from the City Charter, under Advisory Boards, which are appointed by City Council and reiterated that he felt the City Council should be informed ahead of time of the committee and what the function would be.

Motion was made to adjourn by Councilman Jim McBride and second by Councilman E.T. Stamey. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Mayor Scott Burton

Regina Ridenour, City Recorder