

**CITY OF CLINTON  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF  
ALDERMEN  
TUESDAY MAY 19, 2015 – 7:00 P. M.  
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM – 305 MONROE STREET**

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**WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Phil Fisher

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

The invocation was led by Alderman Barnett followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag led by Alderman Cronin.

**ROLL CALL** City Clerk, Russell Wall

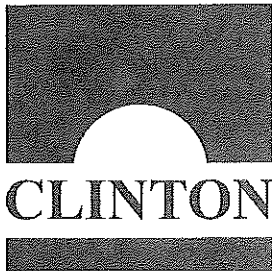
Present:       Jehu Brabham – Alderman-at-Large  
                  David Ellis – Alderman Ward 1  
                  Jim Martin – Alderman Ward 2  
                  William O Barnett – Alderman Ward 3  
                  Greg Cronin – Alderman Ward 4  
                  Jan Cossitt – Alderwoman Ward 5  
                  Mike Cashion – Alderman Ward 6

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A - I**

**MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-I. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**

Tara Lytal, Director of Main Street, updated the board on the various activities that Main Street was involved in. These activities included an update on the Dinner and a Movie, the Olde Towne Market and Caterpillar parade, the Mine Vintage Market, the Firefly Market, and the preparations for the upcoming Fresh at Five Market, the Just the Girls event, and the Olde Towne After Dark event. Tara also informed the board of the Public Art Project of placing decorated bikes around Olde Towne, and that the first international intern Pili Yang had completed her internship and that Main Street has a summer intern Lauren Rutledge.



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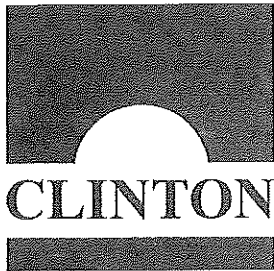
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSION AND REPORTS**

**APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 16, 2015 AT 7:00 PM TO BE LOCATED AT THE MUNICIPAL COURTROOM AT 305 MONROE STREET TO DISCUSS AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING BEER/LIGHT WINE ORDINANCE AND TO RECEIVE GENERAL COMMENTS ABOUT THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

Upon presentation by David Ellis, Alderman Ward 1, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved setting a Public Hearing on June 16, 2015 at 7:00 pm to be located at the Municipal Courtroom at 305 Monroe Street to discuss an amendment to the existing beer/light wine ordinance and to receive general comments about the sale of alcoholic beverages. **THE MOTION WAS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 1. WITH ALDERMAN BRABHAM, ALDERMAN ELLIS, ALDERMAN BARNETT, ALDERMAN CRONIN, ALDERWOMAN COSSITT, AND ALDERMAN CASHION VOTING AYE AND ALDERMAN MARTIN VOTING NAY**

**APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JERRY ELLIS TO FILL THE VACANT SEAT FOR WARD 2 ON THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

Upon presentation by Jim Martin, Alderman Ward 2, **MOTION** made by Alderman Martin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved the appointment of Jerry Ellis to fill the vacant seat for Ward 2 on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Alderman Ellis left the meeting at 7:11 pm and returned to the meeting at 7:13 pm. Alderman Ellis did not participate in the discussion of this item nor did he vote on this item. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**MAYOR'S DISCUSSION AND REPORTS**

**APPROVE CONTINUING THE PUBLIC HEARING UNTIL JUNE 16, 2015 TO DETERMINE IF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 110 WEST LEAKE STREET IS BEING DEMOLISHED BY NEGLECT**

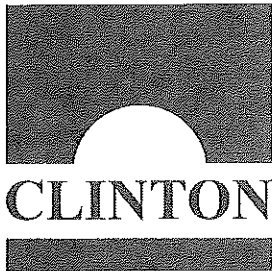
Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved continuing the Public Hearing until June 16, 2015 to determine if property located at 110 West Leake Street is being demolished by neglect. Alderman Martin left the meeting at 7:13 pm and returned to the meeting at 7:15 pm. Alderman Martin did not participate in the discussion of this item nor did he vote on this item **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**APPROVE CONTINUING THE PUBLIC HEARING UNTIL JUNE 16, 2015 TO DETERMINE IF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 112 WEST LEAKE STREET IS BEING DEMOLISHED BY NEGLECT**

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved continuing the Public Hearing until June 16, 2015 to determine if property located at 112 West Leake Street is being demolished by neglect. Alderman Martin left the meeting at 7:13 pm and returned to the meeting at 7:15 pm. Alderman Martin did not participate in the discussion of this item nor did he vote on this item. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY RELATING TO A HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY PROJECT AND A NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION**

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board authorized the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Clinton, Mississippi and the Mississippi Department of Archives and History relating to a Historic Resources Survey project and a National Register nomination. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**APPROVE A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL CAREER COMPLEX STUDENTS BAILEY HOWARD AND JAMES CRISS AND INSTRUCTOR CHARLIE MELTON FOR WINNING THE 2015 MISSISSIPPI FORD/AAA STUDENT AUTO SKILLS CHALLENGE**

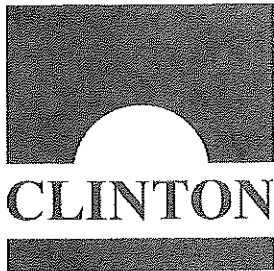
Upon presentation by Bill Barnett, Alderman Ward 3, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved a proclamation recognizing Clinton High School Career Complex students Bailey Howard and James Criss and instructor Charlie Melton for winning the 2015 Mississippi Ford/AAA Student Auto Skills Challenge. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**APPROVE ACCEPTING A \$39,900.00 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT TO THE CLINTON POLICE DEPARTMENT BOMB SQUAD FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING AND UP-FITTING A NEW RESPONSE TRUCK**

Upon presentation by Michael Warren, Police Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderman Martin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved accepting a \$39,900.00 Homeland Security Grant to the Clinton Police Department Bomb Squad for the purpose of purchasing and up-fitting a new response truck. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**APPROVE ACCEPTING A \$20,000.00 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT TO THE CLINTON POLICE DEPARTMENT BOMB SQUAD FOR LIAISON SERVICES WITH OTHER MISSISSIPPI STATE BOMB TEAM ASSETS AND THE STATES FUSION CENTER FOR 2015 - 2016**

Upon presentation by Michael Warren, Police Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cronin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved accepting a \$20,000.00 Homeland Security Grant to the Clinton Police Department Bomb Squad for liaison services with other Mississippi State Bomb Team Assets and the States Fusion Center for 2015 – 2016. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**APPROVE DECLARING AS SURPLUS PROPERTY TWO (2) RECLINERS FROM STATION 3 (#02527 AND #02528), ONE (1) MAYTAG WASHER FROM STATION 3 (#02654), AND ONE (1) ENTERTAINMENT CENTER FROM STATION 3 (#01136) AND FURTHERMORE AUTHORIZE THE DESTRUCTION OF SAID PROPERTY**

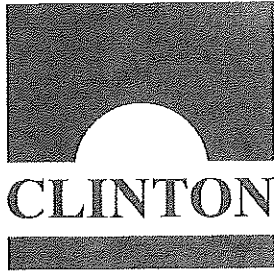
Upon presentation by Jeff Blackledge, Captain of the Clinton Fire Department, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved declaring as surplus property Two (2) recliners from Station 3 (#02527 and #02528), One (1) Maytag washer from Station 3 (#02654), and One (1) entertainment center from Station 3 (#01136) and furthermore authorized the destruction of said property. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A FORMAL SHARED USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND THE CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR USE OF A MARKED ONE (1) MILE WALKING TRAIL AT EASTSIDE ELEMENTARY DURING NON-SCHOOL HOURS**

Upon presentation by Mark Jones, Communications Director, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board authorized the Mayor to execute a Formal Shared Use Agreement between the City of Clinton, Mississippi and the Clinton Public School District for use of a marked one (1) mile walking trail at Eastside Elementary during non-school hours. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND THE MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RELATED TO PROVIDING LITTER REMOVAL AND MOWING OPERATIONS WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY AND THE MEDIAN EXTENDING ALONG INTERSTATE I-20 IN THE CITY LIMITS OF CLINTON, MS**

Upon presentation by Mike Parker, Director of Public Works, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board authorized the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Clinton, Mississippi and the Mississippi Transportation Commission related to providing litter removal and mowing operations within the right of way and the median extending along Interstate I-20 in the city limits of Clinton, MS. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**APPROVE A WATER RATE INCREASE FOR WATER USE ABOVE 5.61 MILLION GALLONS PER MONTH FROM THE CURRENT RATE OF \$0.406 PER 1000 GALLONS TO \$0.930 PER 1000 GALLONS**

Upon presentation by Bill Gilliland, with WGK, Inc., **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved the water rate increase for water use above 5.61 million gallons per month from the current rate of \$0.406 per 1000 gallons to \$0.930 per 1000 gallons, and furthermore approved the effective date of the increase on November 1, 2015. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

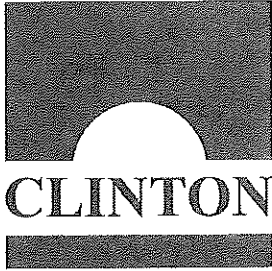
**APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE OLD VICKSBURG CELL TOWER LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC**

Upon presentation by Ken Dreher, City Attorney, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved the second amendment to the Old Vicksburg Cell Tower Lease between the City of Clinton, Mississippi and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC contingent upon New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC paying the City \$15,000.00 for prior damage to the water tower. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**APPROVE HIRING APPRAISER BRENT JOHNSON TO APPRAISE TWO (2) PROPERTIES LEASED FROM THE CLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT AS SET OUT IN THE LEASES**

Upon presentation by Ken Dreher, City Attorney, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved hiring appraiser Brent Johnson to appraise Two (2) properties leased from the Clinton Public School District as set out in the leases. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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ADJOURN 7:53 P.M.

MOTION made by Alderman Brabham and SECONDED by Alderman Cashion to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to be held June 2, 2015 at 7:00 pm. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVED: *Philip R. Fisher*  
Philip R. Fisher, Mayor

5-20-15  
Date

ATTEST: *Russell L. Wall*  
Russell L. Wall, City Clerk

5-20-15  
Date

