

**CITY OF CLINTON
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.
WOOD ACTIVITY CENTER – 111 CLINTON BOULEVARD**

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER Mayor Phil Fisher

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The invocation was led by Alderman Cashion followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag led by Alderman Brabham.

ROLL CALL City Clerk, Russell Wall

Present: Jehu Brabham – Alderman-at-Large
 David Ellis – Alderman Ward 1
 Tony Greer – 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 - S

MOTION made by Alderman Greer and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-S. Item C will serve to advertise favorably the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Clinton. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

SITE PLAN REVIEW – BASEBALL FIELD HOUSE – MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Greer and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved a site plan submitted by Mississippi College to build a field house to be located on the campus of Mississippi College in the City of Clinton, Mississippi. The Architectural Review Committee and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS/DIMENSIONAL VARIANCE – MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE PRESIDENT’S HOUSE MADISON STREET – MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Greer and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved a Certificate of Appropriateness/Dimensional Variance requested by Mississippi College to place a six foot high ornamental fence around three sides of the property where the President’s home will be built. This property is located on the campus of Mississippi College located in the City of Clinton, Mississippi. The Historical Preservation Committee, the Architectural Review Committee, and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval. The granting of the dimensional variance met the requirements of Section 3004 of the current Zoning Ordinance of the City of Clinton. The ornamental fence was necessary because of the unique use (Mississippi College’s President’s Home) and the need for security at this structure and to separate the structure from the surrounding area. The fence would match the existing fences in the area to maintain the harmony of the campus. Alderman Cronin complimented Mississippi College for the classical architecture of the proposed building and how it would complement the Olde Towne area. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

DIMENSIONAL VARIANCE – SPRINGRIDGE ROAD – FAMILY DOLLAR STORE

This item was removed from the agenda and no action was taken.

SITE PLAN REVIEW – SOUTHPOINTE BUILDING – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved the site plan submitted by the Mississippi Department of Revenue for office space to be located in the SouthPointe Building located in the City of Clinton, Mississippi. The Architectural Review Committee and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

SUBDIVISION PRELIMINARY PLAT – PINEHAVEN DRIVE – WINDSOR PLANTATION

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved a subdivision preliminary plat for a subdivision to be called Windsor Plantation to be located on Pinehaven Drive in the City of Clinton, Mississippi. The planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval. Developer Bruce Kirkland discussed the initial development of approximately 30 lots. Covenants would probably set the minimum home size as 1600 square feet. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DEMERY F. GRUBBS WITH GOVERNMENT CONSULTANTS, INC. AS THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Barnett and **SECONDED** by Alderman Greer the board approved the appointment of Demery F. Grubbs with Government Consultants, Inc. as the City's Financial Advisor. It was discussed that Mr. Grubbs had served in this capacity for the City for many years, had been the Mayor of Vicksburg, resided in the City of Clinton and is well recognized throughout the State for his skills and abilities as a financial advisor to municipalities **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF A CITY WIDE LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved the appointment of Marylyn Dillard, Julie Todd, Barbara Barnett, Paul Byrd, Diane Carson, and George Ewing to the City Wide Landscape Committee. This committee would help coordinate a city-wide plan and work with MDOT to develop a plan for the I-20 entrance ramps into the City. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE DECLARING A SURPLUS OF \$1,000,000 IN THE WATER/SEWER OPERATIONS FUND AND TRANSFERRING SAID SURPLUS TO THE GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT, AND FUTHERMORE APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THIS TRANSFER IN THE WATER/SEWER OPERATIONS FUND AND THE GENERAL FUND

Upon presentation by Russell Wall, City Clerk, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved declaring a surplus of \$1,000,000 in the Water/Sewer Operations Fund and transferring said surplus to the General Fund Account, and furthermore approve a budget amendment for this transfer in the Water/Sewer Operations Fund and the General Fund. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

RECEIVE THE CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE FROM TAMRA MORGAN FOR ATTENDING THE MUNICIPAL COURT CLERKS STATEWIDE SUMMER SEMINAR HELD JULY 15, 2013 THROUGH JULY 16, 2013.

Upon presentation by Russell Wall, City Clerk, **MOTION** made by Alderman Barnett and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board received the Certificate of Attendance from Tamra Morgan for attending the Municipal Court Clerks Statewide Summer Seminar held July 15, 2013 through July 16, 2013. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE CLINTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S LIVING YOUNG SENIOR GROUP OF FIVE (5) ARTIFICIAL FICUS TREES

Upon presentation by Ray Holloway, Director of Parks and Recreation, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board accepted a donation from the Clinton Parks and Recreation Department's Living Young Senior Group of five (5) artificial Ficus trees. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

AUTHORIZE WILLIFORD, GEARHART & KNIGHT, INC. TO PROCEED WITH SURVEYS AND ESTIMATE OF CONSTRUCTION COSTS AND MATERIALS FOR THE SOUTHERN OAKS SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Upon presentation by Ken Dreher, City Attorney, **MOTION** made by Alderman Barnett and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board authorized Williford, Gearhart & Knight, Inc. to precede with surveys and estimate of construction costs and materials for the Southern Oaks Special Assessment. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE THE REPAIR/REPLACEMENT OF THE AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM AT THE ST OFFICE AND TREATMENT PLANT

Upon presentation by Mike Parker, Director of Public Works, **MOTION** made by Alderman Greer and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved the repair/replacement of the air conditioning system at the ST Office and Treatment Plant. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

OTHER BUSINESS

APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF MARK JONES AS THE CITY'S COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved the appointment of Mark Jones as the City's Communication Director. Mayor Fisher described the filling of this position as a huge opportunity for the City to greatly improve the City's ability to keep its citizens informed. The Mayor pointed out that this was a first time position for the City and would greatly aid in "messaging" for the City. Alderman Barnett commented on the high quality of the six applicants for the position and that Mr. Jones was a great selection. Alderman Cronin stated that with the expansion in social media and technology, this position would help the City employ these modern tools. **THE VOTE WAS 6 AYES AND 1 ABSTENTION WITH ALDERMAN BRABHAM, ELLIS, GREER, BARNETT, CRONIN, AND CASHION VOTEING AYE AND ALDERWOMAN COSSITT ABSTAINING**

ADJOURN 7:50 P.M.

MOTION made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to be held August 20, 2013 at 7:00 p. m. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVED: 
Philip R. Fisher, Mayor

8/9/13
Date

ATTEST: 
Russell L. Wall, City Clerk

8-9-13
Date

