

**CITY OF CLINTON  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF  
ALDERMEN  
TUESDAY JULY 5, 2016 – 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 Martin followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag led by Alderman Cashion.

**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

**RECOGNITIONS**

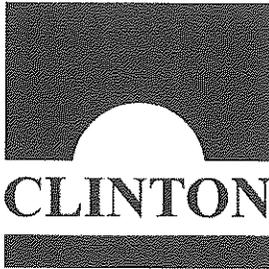
The Mayor recognized the Parks and Recreation Director and his staff for the excellent job they did in hosting the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Fireworks Extravaganza held on July 4, 2016.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A – O**

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

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**

Ford Hayman, Police Chief updated the board on the City's crime statistics for the period January 1, 2016 through July 5, 2016 as compared to the same period for the prior year. These statistics included calls for service, arrests, traffic accidents, etc. He also explained the increase in residential thefts. He stated that most of the residential thefts were concentrated around several apartment complexes located off Springridge Road. He explained that he formed a crime suppression detail and that they arrested several individuals that were committing these thefts.



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Based on the work of this detail thefts were reduced to only one in the last several weeks. Ford also announced that he has introduced a crime prevention plan for the City that mainly will deal with residential thefts and drug prevention.

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSION AND REPORTS**

There were no items from the Board of Aldermen.

**MAYOR'S DISCUSSION AND REPORTS**

**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AMENDING THE CITY OF CLINTON ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE**

Upon a **MOTION** made by Alderman Cronin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board agreed to enter into a Public Hearing to discuss amending the City of Clinton Animal Control Ordinance. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

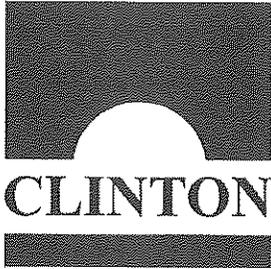
After agreeing to enter into the Public Hearing the following discussion was held:

Beth Kipp stated that her chickens were now dead. She continued by asking why the board was discussing this issue now. She stated that there were a lot of people in the city that own chickens. She also wanted to know why they were not grandfathered in. Finally, she stated it was her opinion that the present ordinance does not make a distinction between pets and animals. She stated that she believed that a citizen could not own cats and dogs.

Toba Woodruff stated that she would be given documentation showing that owning chickens in residential areas were prohibited. She wanted to know where this documentation was.

Manny Fuentes stated that residential areas were not an appropriate place to raise chickens and goats.

Ken Hudson stated that he was an animal lover and that he understood the difference between residential areas and agricultural areas. However, it was his opinion that there was a proper place for raising chickens and other similar type animals. He was concerned with the health hazards that may arise and that chickens did not belong in residential areas.



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Deanna Dillard wanted the board to clarify what was being voted on. She was informed that the amendment basically made the animal control ordinance subservient to the planning and zoning ordinance.

Wes McCleese stated that this would finalize the issues that chickens and similar animals would be allowed in certain areas. It would make it illegal for those who presently have chickens. He also suggested that the board revisit this matter in the future.

With no one else wanting to talk about the issue the following motion was made:

Upon a **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved leaving the Public Hearing to discuss amending the City of Clinton Animal Control Ordinance. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Before the vote was taken on this issue the following discussion was held by the board:

Alderman Ellis wanted to clarify that the Planning and Zoning Ordinance passed in 2011 stated that other ordinances were subservient to the Planning and Zoning Ordinance. He was told his understanding was correct.

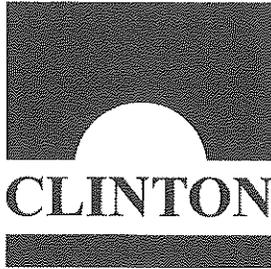
Alderman Cronin stated that his understanding was that the animal control ordinance is subservient to the Planning and Zoning Ordinance. He also stated that the Aldermen have looked at this issue and that have listened and heard the Public's comments.

The Mayor recognized Marty Rodgers and she wanted to know about the timing of when this ordinance would take effect and if those who presently owned chickens would be grandfathered in. She was told that they would not be grandfathered in.

After this discussion the following motion was made:

**APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF CLINTON ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE**

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved the amendment to the City of Clinton Animal Control Ordinance. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**APPROVAL TO PLACE AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF A TRAIN DEPOT, SUBSEQUENT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF  
THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS/PLANS**

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Martin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved placing an advertisement for bids for the construction of a train depot, subsequent to final approval of the construction documents/plans. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**APPROVAL TO PLACE AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE STATION #4 LOCATED ON PINEHAVEN ROAD,  
SUBSEQUENT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF THE CONSTRUCTION  
DOCUMENTS/PLANS**

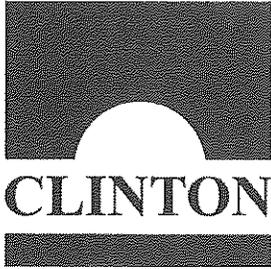
Upon presentation by Barry Burnside, Fire Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderman Barnett and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved placing an advertisement for bids for the construction of Fire Station #4 located on Pinehaven Road, subsequent to final approval of the construction documents/plans. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**APPROVAL OF CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER FOR THE SRF WATER SYSTEMS  
IMPROVEMENTS, DWSIRLF PROJECT #DWI-L250003-03**

Upon presentation by Dexter Shelby, Director of Public Works, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Martin the board approved the change order for the SRF Water Systems Improvements, DWSIRLF Project #DWI-L250003-03. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURN 7:36 PM**

**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 July 19, 2016 at 7:00 pm. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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

7/7/16  
Date

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

7-7-16  
Date

