

**CITY OF CLINTON
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
ALDERMEN
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 – 7:00 P. M.
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM – 305 MONROE STREET**

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.

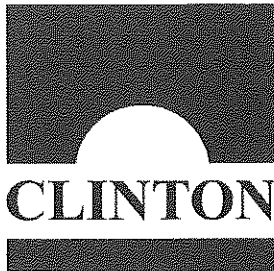
ROLL CALL City Clerk, Russell Wall

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

RECOGNITIONS

**APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF CHELSEA BRANNON AS THE CITY
ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AT THE SALARY
RECOMMENDED BY THE MAYOR TO BE EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2016**

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Martin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved the appointment of Chelsea Brannon as the City Attorney for the City of Clinton, Mississippi at the salary recommended by the Mayor to be effective September 1, 2016. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



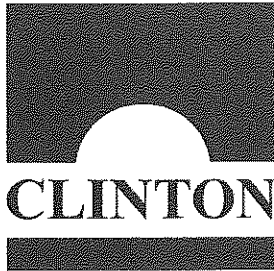
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**APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JEFF BLACKLEDGE AS THE FIRE CHIEF FOR
THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AT THE SALARY RECOMMENDED BY THE
MAYOR TO BE EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2016**

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved the appointment of Jeff Blackledge as the Fire Chief for the City of Clinton, Mississippi at the salary recommended by the Mayor to be effective September 1, 2016. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2016 – 2017 CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI
BUDGET AND TAX LEVY**

A Public Hearing on the City's proposed fiscal year 2016-2017 budget and tax levy was led by Mayor Phil Fisher. Mayor Fisher read a letter explaining the proposed budget and tax levy. This letter has been made a part of these minutes. One citizen asked if the budget would be available to the public before the final vote. She was told that the budget and the letter the Mayor read would be posted on the City's web site the next morning. Alderman Cronin commented that he was very happy with the growth of police officers and the addition of an Inspector position in the Community Development Department in this budget. He also commented on the 11.5% growth in Clinton over the last three years and wanted the citizens to know that they were a part of this growth. Alderman Cashion commented that our employees were a great asset to the City and he wanted to let the citizens know that this budget did not include a millage increase. He also wanted the citizens to know that over the last three years the board has been consistent in allocating the resources and that the board intended to continue to be consistent and to meet the priorities that were set at the beginning of this term. Alderman Brabham commented that he believes that this budget speaks to the quality of life that the board is striving for in this City. He believes that this quality of life sets us apart from the other municipalities in Hinds County. There being no further comments from those attending the Public Hearing or from the board the Mayor declared the Public Hearing closed.



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APPROVE A RESOLUTION SETTING THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND THE CLINTON SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX LEVY FOR THE 2016 – 2017 BUDGET YEAR

Upon presentation by Russell Wall, City Clerk, **MOTION** made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved the resolution setting the City of Clinton, Mississippi and the Clinton Separate School District tax levy for the 2016 – 2017 budget year. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Jeff Blackledge, Fire Chief informed the board of a plaque and flag received from the United States Air Force that was presented to the Clinton Fire Department. He stated that this plaque and flag would be placed on display in Fire Station #1.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A – T

MOTION made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-T. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

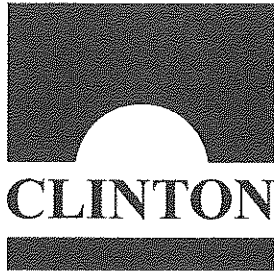
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Marsha Barham, Director of Visitor Center updated the board on the number of visitors to the Visitor Center including the number of foreign visitors. She also informed the board of the upcoming Civil War Living History Expo and the upcoming Milepost 89 event. She also informed the board that the Natchez Pilgrimage was coming up and she expected an increase in visitation from this event held in Natchez.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

There were no items from the Board of Aldermen.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION AND REPORTS



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CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – COLLEGE STATION SIGNS – DAVE RILEY – WARD 1

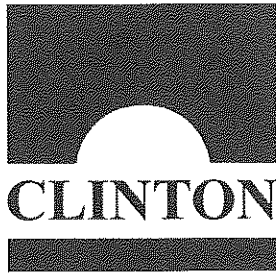
Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Brabham the board approved the request from Dave Riley for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the design of four signs with one sign for each business to be placed at 420 Monroe Street in the City of Clinton, Mississippi. The Historic Preservation Committee and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – MILNER AND NIXON SIGN – 102 EAST LEAKE STREET – ELIZABETH’S PROPERTIES, LLC – WARD 5

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Cossitt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Brabham the board approved the request from Elizabeth’s Properties, LLC for a Certificate of Appropriateness to place a sign at 102 East Leake Street in the City of Clinton, Mississippi. The Historic Preservation Committee and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

UNKEMPT PROPERTY LOCATED AT PARCEL #2980-205-39 BANKS ROAD – WARD 5

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved a resolution determining the necessity for cleaning the property located at Parcel #2980-205-39 Banks Road, under the authority granted municipalities by Section 21-19-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended and other applicable statutes and ordinances. A public hearing was held but no one representing the property owner was present and there was no public comment. The resolution is on file with the City Clerk. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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UNKEMPT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 204 SHADOWWOOD DRIVE – WARD 2

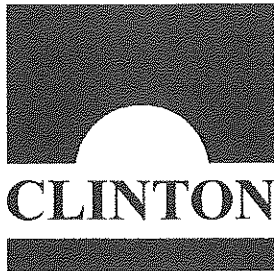
Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Martin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Brabham the board approved a resolution determining the necessity for cleaning the property located at 204 Shadowwood Drive, under the authority granted municipalities by Section 21-19-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended and other applicable statutes and ordinances. A public hearing was held but no one representing the property owner was present and there was no public comment. The resolution is on file with the City Clerk. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

UNKEMPT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 804 FRANKLIN DRIVE – WARD 4

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cronin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved a resolution determining the necessity for cleaning the property located at 804 Franklin Drive, under the authority granted municipalities by Section 21-19-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended and other applicable statutes and ordinances. A public hearing was held but no one representing the property owner was present and there was no public comment. The resolution is on file with the City Clerk. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE A PROCLAMATION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 17, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 23, 2016 AS CONSTITUTION WEEK

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin the board approved a proclamation declaring September 17, 2016 through September 23, 2016 as Constitution Week. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM TO PROVIDE COMPLIANCE SERVICES RELATED TO THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, AND FUTUREMORE AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL PAPERWORK CONCERNING THIS MATTER

Upon presentation by Russell Wall, City Clerk, **MOTION** made by Alderman Barnett and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved the proposal from Carr, Riggs & Ingram to provide compliance services related to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and furthermore authorized the Mayor to execute any and all paperwork concerning this matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF FORTY (40) BODY WORN CAMERA UNITS FOR THE CLINTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

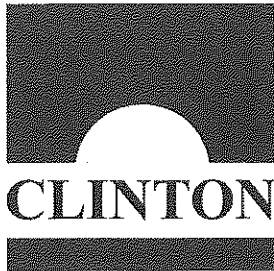
Upon presentation by Ford Hayman, Police Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved the purchase of forty (40) Body Worn Camera Units for the Clinton Police Department from the Body Worn System Company for a five year term. This was considered the best bid for these units. Other companies were considered; however, these other companies did not have the high quality as the Body Worn System Company product. Based on this finding of fact the board choose to approve the purchase of the Body Worn Camera units. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF A \$40,000.00 TRAFFIC GRANT FROM THE MISSISSIPPI OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY

Upon presentation by Ford Hayman, Police Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved the acceptance of a \$40,000.00 Traffic Grant from the Mississippi Office of Highway Safety. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE A DONATION OF A STRYKER GURNEY FROM CHARLOTTE AND DAVID BICKERSTAFF

Upon presentation by Jeff Blackledge, Fire Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cronin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved the donation of a Stryker Gurney from Charlotte and David Bickerstaff. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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APPROVE RENAMING THE CUSTODIAN POSITION IN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO A GROUND TECH POSITION

Upon presentation by Cole Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation, **MOTION** made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved renaming the Custodian position in the Parks and Recreation Department to a Ground Tech position.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVE AMENDING THE PARKS AND RECREATION BUDGET BY MOVING \$6,171.93 FROM THE GAS AND OIL ACCOUNT TO THE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT, AND FURTHERMORE APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW GATOR TS FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

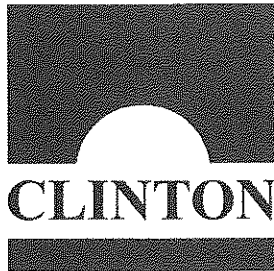
Upon presentation by Cole Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved amending the Parks and Recreation budget by moving \$6,171.93 from the gas and oil account to the machinery and equipment account, and furthermore approve the purchase of a new Gator TS for the Parks and Recreation Department. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE A SUMMARY CHANGE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$195,548.99 RELATED TO THE 2012 SRF SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Upon presentation by Dexter Shelby, Director of Public Works, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved the Summary Change Order in the amount of \$195,548.99 related to the 2012 SRF Sewer Improvements Project. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE CLOSE OUT OF THE 2012 SRF SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Upon presentation by Dexter Shelby, Director of Public Works, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cronin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board authorized the Mayor to execute all documents related to the 2012 SRF Sewer Improvements Project. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**APPROVAL FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE TWO (2)
ZERO TURN MOWERS AT THE STATE CONTRACT PRICE OF \$8,910.83 EACH**

Upon presentation by Dexter Shelby, Director of Public Works, **MOTION** made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board gave its approval for the Public Works Department to purchase two (2) zero turn mowers at the state contract price of \$8,910.83 each. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A RETAIL STRATEGY CONTINUATION
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND THE RETAIL
COACH FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING A RETAIL STRATEGY FOR THE
CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI**

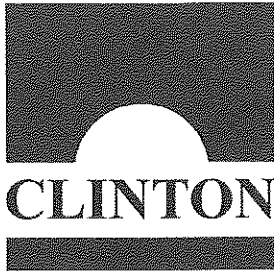
Upon presentation by Mark Jones, Director of Communications, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board authorized the Mayor to execute a Retail Strategy Continuation Agreement between the City of Clinton, Mississippi and the Retail Coach for the purpose of preparing a retail strategy for the City of Clinton, Mississippi. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

OTHER BUSINESS

Rosetta Myers came before the board to complain about a drainage problem on the Banks property. She stated that overspill from Clinton Raymond Road seemed to be the problem. She also stated that the ditch in question has concrete blocks and overgrown weeds. She believed this was part of the drainage problem. She wanted the Mayor and Board to give her some direction in getting this problem taken care of. The Mayor asked that Jan Cossitt, Alderwoman Ward 5 and Dexter Shelby, Director of Public Works go out and look at the problem and then report back any recommendations for solving this drainage issue.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen consider entering executive session to discuss the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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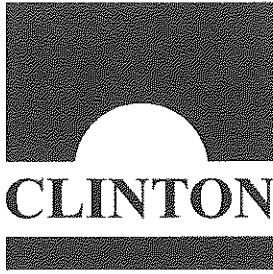
MOTION made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis that the Mayor and Board of Alderman enter into executive session to discuss the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen entered executive session at 8:43 p.m. Also, present in the executive session were City Attorney Chelsea Brannon and City Clerk Russell Wall. A discussion took place on the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands. No action was taken during the executive session. **MOTION** was made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cronin to exit executive session. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** The Mayor and Board of Aldermen exited the executive session at 9:22 p.m.

After exiting the Executive Session and entering the regular meeting the following motion was made:

AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO HIRE TWO (2) APPRAISERS FOR APPRAISING PROPERTY TO BE PAID ONE HALF BY THE CITY AND ONE HALF BY THE OTHER PARTY

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board authorized the Mayor to hire two (2) appraisers for appraising property to be paid one half by the City and one half by the other party. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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ADJOURN 9:23 PM

MOTION made by Alderman Brabham and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to be held September 20, 2016 at 7:00 pm. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

9/7/16
Date

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

9-7-16
Date

