

#### 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 Ellis.

#### 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 Jan Cossitt – Alderwoman Ward 5 Mike Cashion – Alderman Ward 6

Absent: Greg Cronin – Alderman Ward 4

#### <u>APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A - E</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Cashion and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Barnett to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-E. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

#### DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Mike Warren, Police Chief reported to the board the statistics for calls for service, traffic stops, number of tickets written, and number of arrests for the period June 3, 2014 through June 16, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013. He also informed the board of his visit to the Tupelo Police Academy, that the Hinds County Board of Supervisors were re-negotiating the 911 contract with AT&T, and that Movoto released an article ranking the City of Clinton as the 8<sup>th</sup> safest place in Mississippi with places that have 10,000+ residents. This is compared to being ranked number 10 last year.

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Barry Burnside, Fire Chief reported the statistics on the number of service calls including medical and fire calls for the period January 1, 2014 through June 16, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013. He also updated the board on the groups the Fire Department visited to discuss fire safety; these groups included Morrison Heights Baptist Church and Chick-Fil-Lay. He also informed the board of the recent Lieutenant's promotion testing. Of the three participants two passed the written exam and one was chosen for promotion. He also discussed the importance of citizens having an escape plan from their homes in case of fire.

Mike Parker, Director of the Public Works Department reported to the board the new revised plan for the completion of the Pinehaven Road expansion project and that his department was working on grass cutting throughout the City, various drainage issues, and that the limb truck was back in service.

Mark Jones, Communications Director updated the board on the upcoming video to be produced for the City's branding project. The filming would be taking place on Friday June 20, 2014 and Saturday June 21, 2014. He also said that the video would be presented at the City's Fourth of July Celebration to be held on July 4, 2014 in Traceway Park.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

There were no items from the Board of Aldermen.

#### MAYOR'S DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

#### UNKEMPT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100-A EAGER STREET

Upon presentation by Angie Gelston, Compliance Officer, MOTION made by Alderwoman Cossitt and SECONDED by Alderman Cashion the board approved a resolution determining the necessity for cleaning the property located at 102-A Eager Street, under the authority granted to 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 owners 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 302-A LINDALE**

Upon presentation by Angie Gelston, Compliance Officer, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Cashion and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Brabham the board approved a resolution determining the necessity for cleaning the property located at 302-A Lindale, under the authority granted to 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 owners was present and there was no public comment. The resolution is on file with the City Clerk. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

#### **UNKEMPT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 302-B LINDALE**

Upon presentation by Angie Gelston, Compliance Officer, MOTION made by Alderman Cashion and SECONDED by Alderman Ellis the board approved a resolution determining the necessity for cleaning the property located at 302-B Lindale, under the authority granted to 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 owners 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 601 OAKWOOD

Upon presentation by Angie Gelston, Compliance Officer, MOTION made by Alderman Cashion and SECONDED by Alderman Brabham the board approved a resolution determining the necessity for cleaning the property located at 601 Oakwood, under the authority granted to municipalities by Section 21-19-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended and other applicable statutes and ordinances. Furthermore, the board gave the property owner thirty (30) days to clean the property before the City would enforce the resolution. A public hearing was held and Mike Roberts the owner of the property addressed the board concerning his property. Mr. Roberts stated that he had not received any feedback from the City concerning his plans for the property. He stated that he had provided two copies of plans for drainage and a retaining wall. Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development responded that he had received the plans; however they did not contain the engineer's seal. Mr. Roberts did say that if given thirty (30) days to clean the property he would abide by that decision and have the property cleaned within that time. Mr. Roberts did commend the Clinton Fire Department for their efforts in fighting a fire of a house that had been on the property. The resolution is on file with the City Clerk. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO MAKE AN OFFER ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON PINEHAVEN ROAD IN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE STATION #4

This item was removed from the agenda and no action was taken. The Mayor informed the board that this item would be placed on the July 1, 2014 agenda for action.

### <u>APPROVE A POLICY FOR PARKING ON STREETS LOCATED IN THE CITY OF</u> CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI

The Mayor informed the board that by an executive decision that he was going to make a policy to enforce parking on City streets enforceable due to safety concerns. The Mayor gave each Alderman/Alderwoman present the option to have this policy enforced in their wards. Each Alderman/Alderwoman present chose to have the policy enforced in their wards. The Mayor then informed the Police Chief to begin enforcing the policy. Alderman Ellis did not agree or disagree with the Mayor's action. Alderman Cronin was absent from the meeting.

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### APPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW CHANGES TO THE COLLEGE STREET AND CLINTON BOULEVARD INTERSECTION IN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI

The Mayor informed the board of the proposed changes to the traffic flow at the College Street and Clinton Boulevard intersection. Keri Thomas asked about speed bumps and the dead end of Highway 80. The Mayor informed her that speed bumps would be placed on the intersection and that a business located near the dead end was going to open a drive through and connect it to the dead end. Since there was no other discussion or opposition from the board the Mayor informed the board that the changes would be advertised in the local paper and the changes would be made beginning in August 2014.

### ACCEPT A DONATION OF \$100.00 FROM CARLOS AND DEBBIE PREVOST TO THE CLINTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Upon presentation by Michael Warren, Police Chief, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Barnett and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Cashion the board accepted a donation of \$100.00 from Carlos and Debbie Prevost to the Clinton Police Department. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

**ADJOURN 8:11 P.M.** 

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**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 1, 2014 at 7:00 p. m. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVED:

Philip R. Fisher, Mayor

