

**Regular City Meeting
Of the
Clifton Board of Commissioners
November 21, 2016**

Present:

Randy Burns, Mayor
Eva Ruth Warren, Commissioner
Carol Hickerson, Newly Elected Commissioner
Doug Kibbey, City Manager
Michael Hinson, City Attorney
Byron Skelton, Chief of Police
Eddie Simmons, Parks & Rec. Director
Coty Smith, Sewer Plant Supt.
Randy Battles, Fire Chief
Barbara Culp, City Recorder

Absent

Tommy Boyd, Vice Mayor
Layton Packwood, Commissioner

Visitor: Mr. Butch Burns

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burns.

Newly elected City Commissioner Carroll Hickerson was sworn in by City Recorder Barbara Culp.

A motion was made by Commissioner Warren to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Mayor Burns, and carried unanimously.

New Business from Audience

Mr. Butch Burns addressed the Commission concerning the road that runs in front of his property. This is one of the roads that the City has adopted as a city street. He said that he loves the City of Clifton but feels the area is not a good place for the City to build a street. He said for years the City has said this was a private drive, and he and Bryon Skelton have spent a lot of money for the upkeep

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of the road. He asked the commissioners to rethink adopting this as a city street. He would be willing to give a right-of-way for the street to go through another section of his property. He said he feels the area they are considering would be dangerous to the public. City Attorney Mike Hinson told the commissioners if they adopt this road as a City street they are opening the City up to having to adopt other roads as City streets. Mayor Burns said that they wanted to adopt Lapa Lane, Lapa Loop, and Sunrise Drive as city streets because taxpayers live on these streets. Commissioner Hickerson suggested we take care of the streets we currently have. City Manager Kibbey said that he has a work crew lined up to work on the road but will stop the work until a study is done. Commissioner Hickerson asked how many other roads are within the city limits that are not paved. It was stated that Carrolsville Road is also not paved. City Manager Kibbey said that the \$20,000.00 in the budget for street repair could be used to tar and chip Carrolsville Road. Commissioner Hickerson asked when Ross Creek Road would be repaired. The city manager stated that there will be future work on Ross Creek Road. It will be re-routed to make it straighter. The City is working with the County on this.

New Business

Runoff Election

City Manager Kibbey said he has been working closely with the Wayne County Election Commission to set up a run-off election for the city commissioner's position. He recommended the election be set for 12-19-16. A motion was made by Commissioner Hickerson to approve the Resolution providing for the calling and notification of the Wayne County Election Commission for the purpose of holding the City of Clifton, TN Runoff Election. The motion was seconded by Mayor Burns, and carried unanimously.

Tourism Grant Resolution

There was a discussion concerning a Tourism Enhancement Grant that could be used for stages, lighting, etc. The city manager said that Ms. Renae Purdy, and Ms. Chasity Martin would work with him on this. The grant would be a maximum amount of \$50,000.00 and the City's match would be 5% (\$2,500.00 of the max

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amount). A motion was made by Commissioner Warren to approve the Resolution endorsing the application for a Tennessee Economic & Community Development (TECD) Tourism Enhancement Grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hickerson, and carried unanimously.

Resolution Adopting a 401K Plan For City Employees

A motion was made by Commissioner Hickerson to approve the Resolution adopting a 401K Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warren, and carried unanimously.

Department Reports

City Manager Kibbey told the commissioners that effective 12-01-16 no city employee will be considered an exempt (or salaried) employee except himself. He said a new law will be going into effect that states an employee would have to make a minimum of \$913.00 per week to be considered salaried. He stated that he had to either re-classify employees or give raises.

The next city meeting is scheduled for 12-19-16, and this is when the runoff election will be held. A motion was made by Commissioner Hickerson to move the regular scheduled city meeting from 12-19-16 to 12-20-16. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warren, and carried unanimously.

Police Chief Skelton reported that all his officers have been certified, and one officer is still on unpaid leave.

Parks & Rec. Director Eddie Simmons stated that they are still winterizing things at the park. They are also working on other minor improvements including a walkway they recently poured at the park.

Sewer Plant Supt. Coty Smith said he has been having problems with the aerators at the lagoon. He said he would be getting the paddle wheels repaired on the aerators and suggested they look at replacing the current ones when the next

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budget comes into effect.

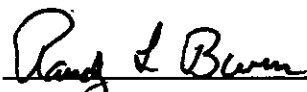
Fire Chef Randy Battles reported they have received the new fire department pumper, and the infrared camera. He said that they have already had to use the camera during a fire on Eagle Creek. He also stated that several of the firemen have been working on the front of the fire hall, and they have a new firemen who is a retired fire department captain from Jackson, TN.

Commissioner Hickerson thanked Mayor Burns, Fire Chief Battles, Chris Kelley, Mark Holt and the others who have been working on the fire hall.

There will be a CDBG public hearing on December 13, 2016 at City Hall.

Mayor Burns said that the City Manager, County Mayor, and three County Commissioners have requested that the City change the night of the week that the regular city meetings are held on. Mayor Burns said that he would like to have this put on the agenda for the next city meeting. City Attorney Hinson said that it would take an Ordinance to change the date of the regular city meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



MAYOR



CITY RECORDER