

**Regular City Meeting  
Of the  
Clifton Board of Commissioners  
July 24, 2017**

**Present:**

Randy Burns, Mayor  
Carol Hickerson, Vice Mayor  
Eva Ruth Warren, Commissioner  
Layton Packwood, Commissioner  
Doug Kibbey, City Manager  
Austin Clark, Public Works Supervisor  
Randy Battles, Fire Chief  
Michael Hinson, City Attorney  
Eddie Simmons, Parks Director  
Barbara Culp, City Recorder

**Absent:**

Jimmy Pickett, Commissioner

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

**New Business from Audience**

There was no new business from the audience.

**City Manager Updates**

City Manager Kibbey told the commissioners that the budget was submitted to the State two weeks prior, but it was not in the format that they wanted. He and Administrative Assistant Kiersten Rainey have been working with our auditor Mr. Pool, and all corrections have been made.

The city manager stated that bids for the proposed stage will be accepted from 8-04-17 through 09-01-17, at 10:00 am. He said that the commissioners can vote to accept or reject the bid at their September 25, 2017 regular city meeting.

The State is processing the request for approval of the \$520,000.00 capital outlay note.

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The city manager stated that the grand opening for the Clifton Area Chamber of Commerce is now scheduled for 8-17-17 at 10:00 am. The backup date is 8-24-17. They would like to have the city manager, and city officials present at the opening.

#### **Slum Clearance**

The city manager said that some citizens are not happy with the title slum clearance for the cleanup around town. He said that in the future it will be referred to as the Beautification of Clifton Project. Vice Mayor Hickerson asked for an update on the project. The city manager said that he will update the commissioners on Friday when he sends out his weekly summary.

#### **Department Reports**

Public Works Supervisor Austin Clark stated that they are still working at the water department to get everything in working order. He said they will be taking applications for a part-time water plant worker. He would like to have someone hired before one of our full-time employees has to be off on maternity leave. Supervisor Clark gave the commissioners information on the jetter machine that he would like to purchase for the utility department. He said these type machines cost between \$24,000.00, and \$33,000.00. Commissioner Packwood asked what the difference is between the machines. Austin said the more expensive machine has a stronger motor, and higher PSI. This machine would be good for dislodging grease in sewer lines. Commissioner Warren asked what the life expectancy is of these type machines. Supervisor Clark said it depends on how well it would be taken care of.

Parks Director Eddie Simmons stated that everything is on schedule at the park. He said they could use a load of rock in one area.

Fire Chief Randy Battles stated that Savannah Glass has replaced the window at the fire hall that was broken by someone mowing. The city manager said that an invoice for the window will be sent to Ms. Pat Treece. It will take approximately \$70,000.00 to finish work on the fire hall. The City has applied for a USDA grant for this. Things sound promising, but we are still waiting to hear back from USDA.

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City Manager Kibbey told the commissioners that we have a new police officer whose name is Charles Crosslin. Also, two new police cars were ordered today.


Mr. Jimmy Anderson is currently working on plans for the Community Center. The plans should be completed in August.

Vice Mayor Hickerson thanked everyone for the good job they have been doing.

Commissioner Warren asked about the status of the cleanup of the walking trail at the school. The city manager said this would be a Wayne County and Frank Hughes School project.

The mayor thanked everyone for coming.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

  
MAYOR

  
CITY RECORDER