

**Regular City Meeting
of the
Clifton Board of Commissioners
October 28, 2019**

Present:

Randy Burns, Mayor
Layton Packwood, Vice Mayor
Eva Ruth Warren, Commissioner
Mark Staggs, Commissioner
Bill Willoughby, Commissioner
Doug Kibbey, City Manager
Austin Clark, Public Works Director
Jerroll Henderson, Chief of Police
Eddie Simmons, Parks Director
Lindsay Roberts, Fire Chief
Byron Skelton, Police Officer
Kiersten Rainey, Admin. Assistant
Barbara Culp, City Recorder

Visitors:

Tom Mathis, Wayne County Commissioner
Emma McWilliams, Wayne Co. News Reporter
Donnie Warren
Jessica Packwood

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burns. The invocation was given by Mayor Burns, followed by the Pledge to Allegiance.

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

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New Business

Retiree Insurance Coverage

(Agreement Presented by Byron Skelton)

City Manager Kibbey reminded the Commission that they voted in March, 2019 for Option 1 concerning health insurance coverage for retirees under the Local Government Insurance Plan. Under this option, the City elected to continue to offer pre-65 retiree health insurance coverage under the Local Government Insurance plan to all eligible active employees and retirees. This will be in place for one year, after which the City will be given another opportunity to choose whether or not to offer retiree coverage for the following fiscal year. The city manager told the commissioners that Byron Skelton will be retiring, and he wants the City to sign an agreement that he has drawn up. The agreement states the City will provide insurance coverage for him until he is age 65. The commissioners were given a copy of the agreement. Commissioner Warren made a motion to accept the agreement. Commissioner Staggs seconded the motion. A discussion followed. The city manager said there could be long term obligations if the agreement is approved. Mayor Burns said he agrees with the city manager, and feels our city attorney should review the agreement before it is approved.

Roll Call Vote:

- Commissioner Warren-----Yes
- Commissioner Staggs-----Yes
- Commissioner Willoughby-----No
- Vice Mayor Packwood-----No
- Mayor Burns-----Pass

The motion did not pass.

County Commissioner Tom Mathis updated the city commissioners on the discussion the County Commission has been having concerning extending Highway 641.

Old Business

Resolution for Street Closures for Community Day: This Resolution was passed at the last city meeting.

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Waterline Project Bids

The city manager stated that the contract has been signed with Tommy Tinin for the waterline replacement from Main Street to Vine Street.

Board Vacancy Announcements

The city manager said he only had one person respond so far to serve on a City Board.

Water/Sewer Rate Ordinance

This ordinance is up for the second reading. A motion was made by Commissioner Willoughby to pass the Water and Sewer Rate Ordinance # _____ on the second reading. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Packwood, and carried unanimously.

New Business

Budget Amendment #2 Ordinance

The city manager went over the changes that were in the budget amendment ordinance. A motion was made by Commissioner Warren to pass Ordinance # _____ on the first reading (Budget Amendment #2). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Staggs, and carried unanimously.

Department Reports

Some residents of Eagle Creek had requested that the City's waterline be extended to their area. The city manager said it looks like the best way to get water to Eagle Creek would be from Waynesboro. He said it would be more feasible to get the water from the City of Waynesboro's water supply.

The city manager stated that the City did not get awarded the CDBG grant to replace some of our water meters.

Public Works Director Austin Clark stated that there has been an annual inspection of the sewer department and everything checked out fine. Also the water plant will be inspected in the near future.

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Parks Director Eddie Simmons said they mowed everything at the park last week. The bathrooms at the parks have been winterized, and closed. The mayor said that the bridge at the park should be pressure washed, and treated. Eddie hopes to get a new inmate worker soon. He also said the batting cage should be finished soon. Commissioner Warren asked how many inmates we are feeding daily. Eddie said we feed 15 each day.

Fire Chief Lindsay Roberts stated he feels we might need to put a generator at the fire hall. He said if the powers go off they could not get the fire trucks out of the fire hall. A discussion followed.

Police Chief Jerroll Henderson reported that lights have been installed on their new police truck and it is ready for pickup. He also stated that he ordered three new radars. They have inventoried the evidence room. He said there are some items that have been in there since the 1990's. He said he feels there are enough items that if awarded to the City would pay for vests, and body cameras. Investigator Steve Wilson has been working on this. Chief Henderson said the city manager advertised for a police officer, and they have received a few applications. He indicated that they are looking for someone who will fit in with Clifton's Police Department, and someone who is certified. Chief Henderson, and Officer Timmy Dale Harris went to training the previous week, and Investigator Steve Wilson is scheduled to go to school in November.

The city manager reported that it has been fourteen months since we were awarded the grant for a splash pad. We still have not received a contract.

Vice Mayor Packwood said there are some issues with the boat ramp at the Clifton Marina. He asked who needs to take care of the problem. The city manager said that would be a TVA problem. Chief Henderson said he feels this would be an issue for the new owner of the Marina. The city manager said he would speak to the marina owner.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



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