



City of Clay

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES July 10th, 2018

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Tuesday, July 10th, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at Clay City Hall. Mayor Webster presided over the meeting and Ronnie Dixon served as recorder.

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order. Councilor Bo Johnson opened in prayer. Mayor Webster led everyone in the Pledge.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following: Councilor Don Baker, Councilor Becky Johnson, Councilor Bo Johnson, Councilor Dennis Locke, Councilor Thackerson and Mayor Webster.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Pre-Council and Regular Council meeting minutes of June 26th, 2018 and June 12th. *Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve the Pre-Council and Regular Council meeting minutes of June 26th and June 12th, 2018, which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke and approved by a unanimous voice vote.*

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda. *Councilor Don Baker made a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.*

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Consent Agenda. *Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to approve tonight's Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Don Baker.*

The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:
Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Locke, Thackerson, Mayor Webster
Nays: None

Under **Mayor and Council Comments** Mayor Webster reminded the council 12U ball team qualified for the World Series and will be playing this upcoming weekend. The Coach asked for help to finance the trip to South Haven. The Council agreed to provide \$1000.00. Mr. Lee and Mr. Wilson are ready for school to begin.

Councilor Don Baker had no report but did express thanks for the Public Works department for clearing of brush on Eden Drive.

Councilor Becky Johnson reported that the Senior Center is moving along nicely, however they did have one death at the center.

Councilor Bo Johnson had no report.

Councilor Dennis Locke announced that the Sales tax holiday for back to school would be July 20th through July 22nd. He also told the council that he had received his Basic CMO Certification.

Councilor Ben Thackerson inquired about the vegetation growth in Cosby lake. Mr. Dixon explained that the tilapia fish are eating the vegetation, but it will take some time to be effective. Mr. Dixon got a quote from Davis to spray for the grass which would be \$4000.00 for first spray and \$1500.00 for following spray



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and would not affect the algae. The council did not elect to spray the grass. Kellis has sprayed the kudzu at the ballparks.

Under **Reading of Petitions, Applications, Complaints, Appeals, Communications, etc.**, Mayor Webster announced there were none.

Under the **City Manager's Report** Ronnie Dixon announced there would be a bid opening for demolition at 2346 Old Springville Road. There was only one bid from TUC for \$8500.00 and would be voted on at next City Council meeting. Mr. Dixon reported the account balances in the General Fund = \$649,559.91; Contractors Bond = \$152,026.80; Capital Improvement Fund = \$432,411.36; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$107,600.87; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$63,081.17; Building Fund = \$30,063.85; Paving Supplement Fund = \$300,000.00; Contingency Fund = \$1,100,000.00; BBT Fund= \$22,241.52; Ballpark Registration Income = 59,112.50 and Ballpark Sports Expense = (44,028.53).

Under Public Hearings, Ronnie Dixon presented resolution 2018-19 to declare the following properties to be a public nuisance: 5176 Yorkshire Drive and 5180 Yorkshire Drive. These properties back up to Sterling Glen and have been cut in the past years by property owners. There was no one present to speak for or against the resolution.

Mayor Webster called for a motion to move to unanimous consent. *Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to move into unanimous consent which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Locke, Thackerson and Mayor Webster

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2018-19 to authorize the elimination of nuisance on private property on the following addresses: 5176 Yorkshire Drive and 5180 Yorkshire Drive. *Councilor Don Baker made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-19 which was seconded by Councilor Becky Johnson and approved by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-20 to award a bid for demolition of unsafe building located at 2346 Old Springville Road. *Councilor Dennis Locke made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-20 which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-21 declaring weeds to be a public nuisance at locations: 5219 Jean Drive, 5410 Balboa Circle, 5732 Shadow Lake Drive, 5904 Elizabeth Drive, 5909 Elizabeth Drive and 7779 Shriner Drive. *Councilor Ben Thackerson made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-21 which was seconded by Councilor Don Baker and approved by unanimous consent.*

Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-22 declaring personal property to be a public nuisance at locations: 5209 Baggett Drive, 5758 Cherry Road, 6723 Trussville Clay Road and 7331 Whitney Drive. *Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-22 which was seconded by Councilor Dennis Locke and approved by unanimous consent.*



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Mayor Webster introduced resolution 2018-23 releasing the lien for abatement of weeds on the property located at 5328 Balboa Avenue. *Councilor Don Baker made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-23 which was seconded by Councilor Ben Thackerson and approved by unanimous consent.*

End unanimous consent.

Under Public Comments, there was no one signed up to speak, however Mr. Dixon addressed a question posed by a citizen regarding wildlife at Cosby Lake. The Fresh Water Land Trust is in control of all wildlife at the lake and the City has no control over the wildlife.

Mayor Webster made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon