



# City of Clay

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## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES July 18, 2016

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Monday, July 18, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at Clay City Hall. Mayor Webster presided over the meeting and City Manager Ronnie Dixon, served as recorder.

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order. Mr. Christian Crawford opened in prayer and Mayor Webster led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following:

Councilor Baker, Councilor Becky Johnson, Councilor Bo Johnson, Councilor Small, Councilor Thackerson, and Mayor Webster  
Absent: None

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Pre and Regular Council meeting minutes of July 5, 2016.

*Councilor Thackerson made a motion to approve the Pre and Regular Council meeting minutes of July 5, 2016, which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by unanimous voice vote.*

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda. .

*Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson and approved by a unanimous voice vote.*

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve tonight's Consent Agenda.

*Councilor Thackerson made a motion to approve tonight's Consent Agenda, 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, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.*

*Nays: None*

Under **Mayor and Council Comments**, **Mayor Webster** announced that Christian Coleman is shadowing City Manager Ronnie Dixon this week. He informed the Council that the additional deputies should be in place by August.

**Councilor Baker** asked about the budget for Public Safety. He questioned whether or not the amount not used by a specific department would be rolled over to the following year's budget. Mayor Webster answered affirmatively.

**Councilor Becky Johnson** welcomed Mr. Agnew and stated that the seniors visited the Peach Park last week.



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**Councilor Bo Johnson** announced the success of the most recent movie night and a movie night will be scheduled for August.

**Councilor Small** reviewed the recent Drug Awareness Forum and announced that the Summer Reading Program finale will be on July 30. Councilor Small stated that he would like to go ahead and repave all of the lowest scoring roads so that the City only has level 3, 2, and 1 roads left for maintenance.

*Councilor Small made a motion to pave Community Drive, Taylor Shop Road and Roberts Drive, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson.* The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:

*Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.*

*Nays: None*

**Councilor Thackerson** reported that the Parks and Recreation Committee did not meet. He stated that the committee believes that a dog park may not be the best option for the future and voted to table plans for a dog park because of maintenance and environmental concerns.

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

Under the **City Manager's Report**, Mr. Dixon opened the single bid for demolition of 7535 Old Springville Road and informed the Council that it was incomplete.

*Councilor Baker made a motion to reject the current bid for demolition of 7535 Old Springville Road and to re-send requests for bids. The motion was seconded by Councilor Small and approved by a unanimous voice vote.*

Mr. Dixon reported the account balances in the General Fund = \$423,771.96; Contractors Bond = \$151,332.88; Capital Improvement Fund = \$489,252.16; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$118,767.04; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$64,361.87; Building Fund = \$200,000.00; Paving Supplement Fund = \$325,000.00; Contingency Fund = \$1,000,000.00; BBT Fund = \$32,177.68; Ballpark Registration Income = \$80,290.14; and Ballpark Sports Expense = (\$67,357.59).

Under the **Public Hearing**, Mayor Webster introduced the Public Hearing for weed abatement at 5139 Darlene Drive, 5328 Balboa Avenue, and 5800 Chickadee Circle. Mayor Webster asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak for or against this case and there was no response.

Under **Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business** Mayor Webster called for a motion to enter into Unanimous Consent.

*Councilor Small made a motion to suspend the regular rules of order and enter 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, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.*

*Nays: None*



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Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2016-27, A Resolution Releasing the Lien for Abatement of Weeds at the Property Located at 6927 Mountain View Drive North East, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

*Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-27, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:*

*Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.*

*Nays: None*

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2016-28, A Resolution Authorizing the Elimination of a Nuisance Upon Private Property, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

*Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-28, which was seconded by Councilor 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, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.*

*Nays: None*

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2016-29, A Resolution Declaring Weeds to be a Public Nuisance, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

*Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-29, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson. The motion was put before the Council and a roll call vote was conducted with the results as follows:*

*Yeas: Councilors Baker, Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.*

*Nays: None*

Mayor Webster an end to Unanimous Consent and called for **Public Comments** and recognized Mr. Keith Tice of 7811 Lynn Forest Drive. Mr. Tice again spoke about the property located at 7550 Misty Lane. He also presented the Council with photos he took on the property. Councilor Small explained that the permit was pulled before the Council condemned the property so the condemnation had to be rescinded.

Mayor Webster recognized Mr. Julius Selzer of 7549 Misty Lane who also complained about the property located at 7550 Misty Lane.

Mayor Webster recognized Mr. Dennis Locke of 6500 Harness Circle. Mr. Locke announced his candidacy for Place 5 in the upcoming municipal election.

Mayor Webster announced that

*Councilor Thackerson made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Baker and approved by a unanimous vote.*



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The City Council adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon  
City Manager