The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Monday, April 4, 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 and Councilor Bo Johnson opened in prayer. Mayor Webster led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of those present was answered by the following:

Councilor Becky Johnson, Councilor Bo Johnson, Councilor Small, Councilor Thackerson, and Mayor Webster

Absent: Councilor Baker

Mayor Webster called for a motion to approve the Pre and Regular Council meeting minutes of March 21, 2016.
*Councilor Thackerson made a motion to approve the Pre and Regular Council meeting minutes of March 21, 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 Becky Johnson made a motion to approve tonight’s amended 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 Bo Johnson made a motion to approve tonight’s Consent Agenda, 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 Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.
Nays: None*

Under **Mayor and Council Comments**, **Mayor Webster** reported that Opening Day was a big success. He thanked the Public Works Department and the Parks and Recreation Department for their work on this event.

**Councilor Baker** was not present for a report.

**Councilor Becky Johnson** thanked Public Works for their work on Clay Days as well. Councilor Johnson announced the $500.00 grant winners for January and February: Clay Elementary winners are Stephanie Hayes and Zoe Welch, Clay Chalkville Middle School winners are Kay Mickell and Amanda Edwards, and Clay Chalkville High School winners are Julie Rollin and Melanie Gaines. Councilor Johnson recognized Ms. Amy Bonner of 7724 Shiloh Circle. Ms. Bonner is the school nurse at Clay Elementary School and she thanked the Council for donating a new AED for the Elementary School. She explained that an additional AED will make the kids and staff safer.

**Councilor Bo Johnson** reported that his committee met. He reported that there are very few open retail locations.

**Councilor Thackerson**reported that the Freshwater Land Trust has denied the City’s request to put a dog park at Cosby Lake and his committee will look for new locations for a dog park. He reported that the Public Works Department should begin making new trails soon. The Council discussed spraying at the top of the disc golf course. Mr. Dixon reported that the City is waiting on the design bill budget for the concession stand and fencing at Bryant Park. Mr. Dixon reported that Mayor Webster signed the release from ADEM and Spectrum so the consent decree is over and the ballpark is 100% no erosion or runoff.

**Councilor Small** *Councilor Small made a motion to allow City Manager Ronnie Dixon to get prices for paving Charles Drive, Markham Drive, and Misty Lane 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 Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.
Nays: None*Councilor Small thanked the Public Works Department for their work and reported that he has had multiple compliments from residents about the Public Works Department.
Councilor Small called on Library Board Chairman Jane Anderton of 5434 White Oak Road. Ms. Anderton reported that the Library will build a community garden on Saturday.

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

Under the **City Manager’s Report**, Mr. Dixon reported the account balances in the General Fund = $640,329.83; Contractors Bond = $190,760.80; Capital Improvement Fund = $405,603.48; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = $180,346.21; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = $98,124.34; Library and Fire Station = $200,000.00; Road Project Fund = $325,000.00; Contingency Fund = $750,000.00; BBT Fund= $13,427.68; Ballpark Revenue = $60,295.75; and Ballpark Expense = ($48,360.01).

Under the **Public Hearing,** Mayor Webster announced there were none.

Under **Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and Other Business** Mayor Webster announced there were none.

Mayor Webster called for **Public Comments** and there was no response.

Mayor Webster recognized Councilor Becky Johnson who announced the Relay for Life on April 22.

Mayor Webster recognized Councilor Small who spoke about his disappointment that city employees are facing harassment and false accusations by some members of the community. Mayor Webster concurred and asked anyone who had a problem to come speak with him directly.

Mayor Webster announced that the next City Council meeting will take place on Monday, April 21, 2016.

*Councilor Small made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Councilor Bo Johnson and approved by a unanimous vote.*

The City Council adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon
City Manager