



City of Clay

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES October 17, 2016

The City Council of the City of Clay met in regular session on Monday, October 17, 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. Councilor Bo Johnson 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 (entered at 7:20 pm), 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 October 3, 2016.

Councilor Bo Johnson made a motion to approve the Pre and Regular Council meeting minutes of October 3, 2016, which was seconded by Councilor Thackerson and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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

Councilor Thackerson made a motion to approve tonight's Meeting Agenda, which was seconded by Councilor Becky Johnson 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 Bo Johnson. 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** introduced Judge Green who is running for place 11 and asked everyone to consider voting for her.

Mayor Webster introduced Shuntae Owens who spoke on behalf of Judge Grant who is running for Place and asked everyone to consider voting for her.

He announced that the Council would vote on the Proclamations later in the meeting.

Councilor Baker was not present for a report.

Councilor Becky Johnson announced the grant winners for September: Christy Lott, Chris Tinsley, and Kelly Shernett. She also announced the annual Veterans Day Luncheon.

Councilor Bo Johnson had nothing new to report.



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Councilor Small had nothing new to report. He thanked the Council for the years working together.

Councilor Thackerson asked Mayor Webster for an update on the Girls' School property. Mayor Webster reviewed the year-long process for gaining permission to access the property.

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 = \$360,438.51; Contractors Bond = \$74,562.93; Capital Improvement Fund = \$420,817.08; 4 & 5 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$112,183.48; 7 Cent Gasoline Fund = \$51,174.12; Building Fund = \$200,000.00; Paving Supplement Fund = \$325,000.00; Contingency Fund = \$1,000,000.00; BBT Fund= \$38,427.68; Ballpark Registration Income = \$92,765.14; and Ballpark Sports Expense = (\$73,087.84).

Under the **Public Hearing**, Mayor Webster introduced the Public Hearing for weed abatements at the following addresses:

5867 Clay Palmerdale Road
6734 Old Springville Road
6735 Old Springville Road
6739 Old Springville Road
6833 Murray Drive

He asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak for or against the abatement 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 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

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2016-57, A Resolution Authorizing the Abatement of a Public Nuisance Upon Private Property, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-57, 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 Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Mayor Webster introduced Resolution 2016-58, A Resolution Declaring Weeds to be a Public Nuisance, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.



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Councilor Small made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-58, 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

Mayor Webster called an end to Unanimous Consent and called for **Public Comments** and introduced Proclamation 2016-04, A Proclamation to Recognize Kevin Small, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to approve Proclamation 2016-04, 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, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Councilor Small abstained.

Mayor Webster called for Public Comments and recognized Mr. Dixon who reminded everyone about the upcoming elections and the items on the ballot.

Mayor Webster introduced Proclamation 2016-03, A Proclamation to Recognize Ricky Baker, which was read by City Manager Ronnie Dixon.

Councilor Becky Johnson made a motion to approve Proclamation 2016-03, 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 Johnson, Johnson, Small, Thackerson, and Mayor Webster.

Nays: None

Councilor Baker abstained.

Mayor Webster presented copies of the Proclamation and name plates for Councilors Baker and Small.

recognized Ms. Linda Hicks who asked if the City would continue Meals on Wheels program and asked about the tax sale for the properties on St. James and Fox Glove. Mr. Dixon answered that the City would continue Meals on Wheels and that the developer has not paid taxes on the properties in question.

Mayor Webster announced that the next City Council meeting will take place on Monday, November 7, 2016, at 6:30 pm.

Mayor Webster

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



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The City Council adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie Dixon
City Manager