



**CITY OF CLINTON
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
ALDERMEN
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 – 7:00 P. M.
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM – 305 MONROE STREET**

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER Mayor Phil Fisher

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The invocation was led by Alderman Martin followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag led by Alderman Ellis.

ROLL CALL City Clerk, Russell Wall

Present: Ricki Garrett – Alderwoman-at-Large
David Ellis – Alderman Ward 1
Jim Martin – Alderman Ward 2
William O Barnett – Alderman Ward 3
Keith Perritt – Alderman Ward 4
Mike Cashion – Alderman Ward 6

Absent: Jan Cossitt – Alderwoman Ward 5

RECOGNITIONS

Shelia Grogan with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Mississippi presented a check to the City totaling \$41,661.00 for the Healthy Heroes grant program.

The Mayor presented to the Clinton Fire Department a trophy for winning the City of Clinton Annual Blood Drive. Chief Jeff Blackledge accepted the trophy on behalf of the Clinton Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A – D

MOTION made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-D. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Adam Wade, Director of Parks and Recreation updated the board on the softball and soccer tournaments held on the city's fields during the past five months. Adam also announced that the flag football and the tackle football leagues will start play this week. And finally, he announced the following upcoming events. The events included Packaged Deal Friday Night, the Mayor's Golf Scramble, and the Haunting of Olde Town event.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

There were no items from the Board of Aldermen.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

**APPROVE A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS RACIAL
RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION MONTH**

Upon presentation by Phil Fisher, Mayor, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved a proclamation recognizing October as Racial Reconciliation Celebration Month. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
BEWTEEN THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND THE HINDS COUNTY TAX
COLLECTOR RELATING TO THE COLLECTION OF TAXES**

Upon presentation by Russell Wall, City Clerk, **MOTION** made by Alderman Martin and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board authorized the Mayor to execute a Interlocal Agreement between the City of Clinton, Mississippi and the Hinds County Tax Collector relating to the collection of taxes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF A STATE FARM INSURANCE CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,396.00 TO REPLACE POLICE VEHICLE 1603

Upon presentation by Ford Hayman, Police Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderman Perritt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved the acceptance of a State Farm insurance check in the amount of \$22,396.00 to replace Police Vehicle 1603. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TWO CHEVROLET 3500 CHASSIS CAB TRUCKS AT THE STATE CONTRACT PRICE OF \$25,117.00 EACH

Upon presentation by Dexter Shelby, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Martin the board approved the purchase of two Chevrolet 3500 Chassis Cab Trucks at the state contract price of \$25,117.00 each. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI TO ESTABLISH A LEISURE AND RECREATION DISTRICT WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI AND DESIGNATE THE GEOGRAPHIC AREAS INCLUDED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID DISTRICT, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

Before the vote was taken on this item the following discussion was held:

Alderwoman Garrett entered the meeting at 7:19 pm during the presentation of this item.

Alderman Martin had several concerns concerning this ordinance. These concerns were:

1. About persons entering other businesses with alcohol beverages.
2. The provision about the type of containers allowed on the street.
3. How officers would know if a person was violating the ordinance.
4. That there was nothing in the ordinance on days and hours that would prohibit open containers in the street.
5. The boundary of the district including the new train depot and the Mississippi College property that prohibits alcohol and would this make it legal to have alcohol on land not permitted to have it.



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He stated further he wanted to bring up these issues for the other members of the board to consider before voting on this issue.

Alderman Perritt stated he appreciated that the statement “as otherwise permitted by state law” was included in the ordinance as this would cover future changes the state may make and the board would not have to amend the ordinance. He also asked if including properties like the train station and Mississippi College properties would affect their prohibition of alcohol on those properties. The City Attorney responded that it was her opinion that it would not affect those prohibitions.

Alderman Cashion wanted to clarify that if a person left an establishment with a drink that they would not be able to return to the business. He was told that that was correct. He then asked how the ordinance would affect the recork law. He was told there would be no affect to the recork law. Finally, he wanted to know if the ordinance should require server training and if other ordinances such as littering and loitering were strong enough for the police to enforce. As regards to server training the City Attorney felt that the City could pass a resolution asking that businesses provide this training and the Police Chief felt the other ordinances Alderman Cashion referred to were strong enough to enforce.

After this discussion, the following motion was considered.

Upon presentation by Chelsea Brannon, City Attorney, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved an ordinance by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi to establish a Leisure and Recreation District within the corporate boundaries of the City of Clinton, Mississippi and designate the geographic areas included within the boundaries of said district, and for related purposes. **MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 5 TO 1. WITH ALDERWOMAN GARRETT, ALDERMAN ELLIS, ALDERMAN BARNETT, ALDERMAN PERRITT, AND ALDERMAN CASHION VOTING AYE AND ALDERMAN MARTIN VOTING NAY AND ALDERWOMAN COSSITT ABSENT**



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APPROVE A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION TO THE MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES IN SCHOOLS GRANT PROGRAM (MCOPS), AND TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SAME

Upon presentation by Chelsea Brannon, City Attorney, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved a resolution by the board to authorize application to the Mississippi Community Oriented Policing Services in Schools Grant Program (MCOPS), and to authorize execution of documents in connection with the same **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

ADJOURN 8:13 PM

MOTION made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Ellis to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi to be held October 3, 2017 at 7:00 pm. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVED: 
Philip R. Fisher, Mayor

9/28/17
Date

ATTEST: 
Russell L. Wall, City Clerk

9-28-17
Date

