



**CITY OF CLINTON
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
ALDERMEN
TUESDAY AUGUST 6, 2019 – 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 Barnett followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag led by Alderman Perritt.

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
 Jan Cossitt – Alderwoman Ward 5
 Mike Cashion – Alderman Ward 6

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A - S

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Adam Wade, Director of Parks and Recreation talked about the number of participants in the soccer, softball and baseball programs during this summer. He also discussed with the board the various baseball and softball tournaments held during the spring and summer. Adam then updated the board on the July 4th Family Fireworks Extravaganza. He announced the various upcoming events to be held through the Fall of 2019. These events included Crossroads Cycling Classic, Magnolia Cup Soccer Tournament, Tri County Softball Tournament, Belhaven Fall Tournament, and two USSSA Softball Tournaments. Finally, he updated the board on the various renovations planned for the City's Parks. He showed a video highlighting these renovations.

After Adam's presentation, Chelsea Brannon, City Attorney presented a slide show showing the design of Lions Club Park including the playground equipment and the bathrooms and pavilion.



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BOARD OF ALDERMAN DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

There were no items from the Board of Aldermen.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET

Phil Fisher, Mayor made a presentation concerning the proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Budget. He talked about the raises for the employees, the new positions, the capital outlay items, the amount in the budget for resurfacing of the City's streets and the Parks and Recreation renovations. No action was taken by the board on this presentation.

CONDITIONAL USE – LAO HOANG SPA – 505 B SPRINGRIDGE ROAD – WARD 5

Upon presentation by Roy Edwards, Director of Community Development, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion the board approved the request by Lao Hoang Spa for a conditional use to open a Day Spa to be located at 505 B Springridge Road in the City of Clinton, Mississippi. The Planning and Zoning Committee recommended approval. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

APPROVE A RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI TO PROCEED WITH A LOAN ON BEHALF OF THE CITY FROM THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IDENTIFIED AS RESTROOM FACILITIES AT NORTHSIDE PARK, ROBINSON PARK AND TRACEWAY PARK

Upon presentation by Russell Wall, City Clerk, **MOTION** made by Alderman Perritt and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved a resolution by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi to proceed with a loan on behalf of the City from the Mississippi Development Authority for the purpose of completing capital improvements identified as restroom facilities at Northside Park, Robinson Park and Traceway Park. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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APPROVAL TO PURCHASE THREE (3) RADIATION DEVICES (IDENTIFINDER R200) FOR OUR MISSISSIPPI HOMELAND SECURITY EOD TEAM WITH HOMELAND SECURITY FY 16 HS FUNDS

Upon presentation by Ford Hayman, Police Chief, **MOTION** made by Alderwoman Garrett and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Cossitt the board approved the purchase of three (3) radiation detection devices (IdentiFINDER R200) for our Mississippi Homeland Security EOD team with Homeland Security FY 16 HS funds. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR TRACEWAY PARK RENOVATIONS

Upon presentation by Adam Wade, Director of Parks and Recreation, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett the board authorized the advertisement for bids for Traceway Park Renovations. **THE MOTION WAS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 1. ALDERWOMAN GARRETT, ALDERMAN ELLIS, ALDERMAN BARNETT, ALDERMAN PERRITT, ALDERWOMAN COSSITT AND ALDERMAN CASHION VOTED AYE. ALDERMAN MARTIN VOTED NAY**

Before the next item on the agenda was brought up for consideration the following motions for an executive session was made:

MOTION made by Alderwoman Garrett and **SECONDED** by Alderman Perritt for a closed session to determine the need for an executive session for the purpose of discussing an anticipated and/or possible ligation matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Having heard the intended purpose, a **MOTION** was made by Alderman Ellis and **SECONDED** by Alderman Cashion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing an anticipated and/or possible ligation matter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen entered executive session at 8:10 p.m. Also, present in the executive session were Chelsea Brannon, City Attorney and Russell Wall, City Clerk. A discussion took place relating to an anticipated and/or possible ligation matter. No Action was taken during the executive session. **MOTION** was made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderman Barnett to exit executive session. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**. The Mayor and Board of Alderman exited the executive session at 8:43 p.m.



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Upon returning to the meeting the Mayor announced that no action was taken in the executive session.

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

Chelsea Brannon, City Attorney explained the resolution that was presented to the Mayor and Board for their action.

After her explanation, J. Chase Bryan, Attorney representing Clear River Construction Company Inc. asked to appear before the board. His request was granted by the Mayor. Attorney Bryan asked the board to delay the vote on this resolution until the next meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen so that he and his client would have more time to review and analyze the documents and the resolution.

Alderman Martin then addressed the board with his concerns regarding this resolution. Alderman Martin was concerned that the board was moving needed money from the street paving program to put toward the Lions Club Park construction. He also felt that the board should take the private contributions made toward the construction of Lions Club Park and purchase the playground equipment and place it in another park such as Brighton Park. He also stated that he was not opposed to the park, however he felt the money transferred to the construction of Lions Club Park should go toward the City's resurfacing of the City's streets.

Alderman Cashion stated the importance of Lions Club Park to the revitalization of the Olde Towne Area. He felt the Park would help in the revitalization of the Olde Towne Area and bring the citizens and tourists to the area. He also stated his belief that the board needed to look at all of the needs of the City and not just at the resurfacing of the City's streets.

Alderman Perritt stated that the City could not afford to place all of the City's efforts into roads. The City had to look at the other needs of the City as well. He also stated that he had many e-mails from citizens supporting using money for the parks.

Alderman Barnett reminded Alderman Martin that discussions had taken place in the recent Budget Hearings concerning finding more money for the resurfacing of streets. He asked Alderman Martin to bring a plan to the board and that the board would consider the plan.

After the discussion of this item the following substitute resolution was brought before the board for consideration:



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APPROVE A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI TO ACCEPT THE BID OF SHANE ORMON CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT & DESIGN INC. AND TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF LIONS CLUB PARK AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

Upon presentation by Chelsea Brannon, City Attorney, **MOTION** made by Alderman Cashion and **SECOINDED** by Alderman Ellis the board approved a Resolution by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi accepting the bid of Shane Ormon Construction Management & Design Inc. and authorizing an agreement for the construction of Lions Club Park and for related purposes. The Board also approved including the bids of the contractors for this project to be included in the minutes. **THE MOTION WAS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 1. ALDERWOMAN GARRETT, ALDERMAN ELLIS, ALDERMAN BARNETT, ALDERMAN PERRITT, ALDERWOMAN COSSITT AND ALDERMAN CASHION VOTED AYE. ALDERMAN MARTIN VOTED NAY**

APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FROM MOONSHOT RECREATION, LLC, PURSUANT TO MISS. CODE ANN. SEC. 31-7-13(M)(VII)

Upon presentation by Chelsea Brannon, City Attorney, **MOTION** made by Alderman Ellis and **SECOINDED** by Alderman Barnett the board approved a Resolution authorizing the purchase of playground equipment from Moonshot Recreation, LLC, Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Sec. 31-7-13(m)(viii). **THE MOTION WAS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 1. ALDERWOMAN GARRETT, ALDERMAN ELLIS, ALDERMAN BARNETT, ALDERMAN PERRITT, ALDERWOMAN COSSITT AND ALDERMAN CASHION VOTED AYE. ALDERMAN MARTIN VOTED NAY**

ADJOURN 9:20 PM

MOTION made by Alderman Cashion and **SECONDED** by Alderwoman Garrett to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi to be held August 20, 2019 at 7:00 pm. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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APPROVED: *Philip R. Fisher*
Philip R. Fisher, Mayor

8/7/19
Date

ATTEST: *Russell L. Wall*
Russell L. Wall, City Clerk

8-7-19
Date

