

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER Mayor Phil Fisher

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Invocation was led by Alderwoman Garrett. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Alderwoman Godfrey.

ROLL CALL City Clerk, Jimmy Baldree

RECOGNITIONS Mayor Phil Fisher read a letter received from a citizen expressing gratitude to the Clinton Fire Department for their prompt and professional response to a call for help.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A – I WITH ITEM 6B REMOVED

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Wilbanks and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Godfrey the board approved the Consent Agenda Items A – I with Item 6B removed. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u> <u>UNANIMOUSLY</u>

After the above item was voted on the following motion was made:

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 6B

Upon <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Lott and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Garrett the board approved the Consent Agenda Item 6B. Alderman Wilbanks left the meeting at 6:03 pm and returned to the meeting at 6:04 pm. Alderman Wilbanks did not participate in the discussion of this item, nor did he vote on this item. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Marlee Price, Director of Communications and Tourism updated the board on the recent Job Fair event, reminded everyone the 1% Special Room Tax Renewal Election will take place on June 6th, 2023, and gave an overview of several upcoming events, including Friday Nights at Milepost 89. She also updated the board on the Website Update Project.

BOARD OF ALDERMAN DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

There were no items from the Board of Aldermen.

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MAYOR'S DISCUSSION AND REPORTS

<u>DISCUSSION/ACTION - APPOINTMENT OF FOUR CLINTON REPRESENTATIVES</u> FOR THE BIG BLACK RIVER AUTHORITY BOARD.

Upon presentation by Mayor Phil Fisher, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Martin and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Oliver the board approved the Appointment of Mayor Phil Fisher, Phillip Lilley, Mark Bailey, and Rodney Harris to serve as Clinton Representatives on The Big Black River Authority Board. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>DISCUSSION/ACTION - ACCEPT NOTICE FROM 80/20 COMMITTEE OF</u> <u>APPROVAL OF A TRAFFIC STUDY AND A WETLANDS STUDY TO BE</u> <u>PERFORMED BY PICKERING ENGINEERING, AS ADDITIONAL SERVICES.</u>

Upon presentation by Jimmy Baldree, City Clerk, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Godfrey and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Oliver the board accepted a notice from the 80/20 Committee regarding the approval of Pickering Engineering to perform a Traffic Study and a Wetlands Study for the 80/20 Project. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

DISCUSSION/ACTION - APPROVE A DONATION OF AN E-Z GO TXTPDS GOLF CART SERIAL NUMBER 2595432 FROM HALES EQUIPMENT, LLC TO THE CLINTON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Upon presentation by Jeff Blackledge, Fire Chief, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Oliver and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Lott the board accepted the donation of an E-Z Go Golf Cart from Hales Equipment, LLC for use by the Clinton Fire Department.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<u>PISCUSSION/ACTION - APPROVE LOWEST AND BEST QUOTE FROM UNITED RENTALS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,269.00 FOR A SEWER BYPASS PUMP FOR THE CLINTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.</u>

Upon presentation by Phillip Lilley, Public Works Director, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Lott and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Oliver the board approved the purchase of a Sewer Bypass Pump for \$57,269.00 from United Rentals for use by the Clinton Public Works Department. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

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DISCUSSION/ACTION - APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 FROM THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY RELATED TO THE CITY OF CLINTON HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY.

Upon presentation by Phillip Lilley, Public Works Director, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Martin and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Godfrey the board approved the acceptance of a Grant for \$25,000.00 from the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality for the City of Clinton Hazardous Waste Day. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>PAY ESTIMATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,295.38 TO 4-D CONSTRUCTION, INC.</u> FOR THE HUNTERS RIDGE SEWER REPAIR PROJECT.

Upon presentation by Bill Owen, Consulting City Engineer, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Wilbanks and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Oliver the board approved a Summary Change Order and Final Pay Estimate in the amount of \$11,295.38, to 4-D Construction, Inc. for the Hunters Ridge Sewer Repair Project. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

<u>DISCUSSION/ACTION - APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR 2023 PAVING IMPROVEMENTS.</u>

Upon presentation by Bill Owen, Consulting City Engineer, MOTION made by Alderman Wilbanks and SECONDED by Alderman Chapman the board approved the Advertisement for Bids for 2023 Paving Improvements. MOTION PASSED BY A VOTE OF 6 TO 1.

ALDERWOMAN GARRETT, ALDERWOMAN GODFREY, ALDERMAN CHAPMAN, ALDERMAN WILBANKS, ALDERWOMAN OLIVER, AND ALDERMAN LOTT VOTED AYE. ALDERMAN MARTIN VOTED NAY.

DISCUSSION/ACTION - ACCEPTANCE AND CONSIDERATION OF THE BIDS WITH RECOMMENDED APPROVAL TO AWARD BASE BID AND ADD ALTERNATE TO HOPE ENTERPRISES, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,300.00.

Upon presentation by Bill Owen, Consulting City Engineer, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Oliver and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Garrett the board accepted a bid by Hope Enterprises, LLC and approved entering an agreement for Hope Enterprises, LLC to perform repairs to the Pinehaven Bridge for \$83,300. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

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AT 6:28 PM ALDERMAN CHAPMAN WHO WAS ATTENDING THE MEETING VIA CONFERENCE LINE LEFT THE MEETING AND DID NOT REJOIN OR PARTICPATE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS.

DISCUSSION/ACTION - ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL BY RIGHT OF WAY TECHNOLOGY, INC., AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES FOR THE CLINTON REGIONAL WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

Upon presentation by Bill Owen, Consulting City Engineer, <u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Martin and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Wilbanks the board accepted a proposal by Right of Way Technology, Inc. and authorized the Mayor to Execute a Contrace with Right of Way Technology, Inc. to provide Right of Way Services for the Clinton Regional Watewater Improvements Project. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT ITEMS A - E

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderman Wilbanks and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Godfrey the board approved hiring contingent on the successful completion of the hiring process the following: Mary Wallace as a Payroll Administrative Assistant for the Administration Department, Clay Bullock, Justin Thompson, and John Middleton as a Probationary Firefighters for the Fire Department,

Haylee Vomberg as Building Inspector for the Community Development Department, Willie Berry as a Heavy Equipment Operator, and

Leach Johnson as a Part time Symmon Worker for the Public Works Department

Jacob Johnson as a Part-time Summer Worker for the Public Works Department.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXECUTIVE SESSION

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Godfrey and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Wilbanks for a closed session to determine the need for an executive session for the purpose of discussing a potential legal matter. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

Having heard the intended purpose, a <u>MOTION</u> was made by Alderwoman Oliver and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderwoman Godfrey to enter an executive session for the purpose of discussing a potential legal matter. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

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The Mayor and Board of Aldermen entered executive session at 6:32 PM. Also present in the executive session were William Purdie, City Attorney, Jimmy Baldree, City Clerk, and Roy Edwards, Community Development Director. A discussion took place regarding a potential legal matter.

<u>MOTION</u> was made by Alderwoman Oliver and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Lott to exit executive session. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u> The Mayor and Board of Aldermen exited the executive session at 6:36 PM.

After exiting the Executive Session and entering the regular meeting a **MOTION** was made by Alderman Wilbanks and **SECONDED** by Alderman Lott to Rescind a Previous Action by the Board of Aldermen regarding a Conditional Use for Day Spring Church to operate a sober living facility at 11053 Biedenharn Cove in the City of Clinton.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business presented.

ADJOURN 6:40 PM

<u>MOTION</u> made by Alderwoman Oliver and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alderman Lott to adjourn until the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clinton, Mississippi to be held June 6, 2023, at 6:00 pm. <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u>

APPROVED: S/17/2023
Philip R. Fisher, Mayor

Date

ATTEST: S/14/2023

Date

SEAL