

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARENDON, TEXAS
REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 13, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Sandy Skelton at 7:02 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Sandy Skelton
Alderman John Lockhart
Alderman Larry Jeffers
Alderman Eulaine McIntosh
Alderman Jacob Fangman
Alderman Nathan Floyd
Administrator David Dockery
City Secretary Machiel Covey

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Sharon Winfrey

INVOCATION: Alderman Lockhart

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Sharon Winfrey expressed her concern for farming out the sanitation services. She feels the City should invest the funds needed to keep the operations in our own control. She believes the new company will bring in workers from Amarillo and not keep the jobs local. Ms. Winfrey also believes the cost will continually increase while service and satisfaction decreases. She asked Council to do more research on keeping the service local and possibly expanding to local communities.

AUTHORIZATIONS BY CITY COUNCIL:

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1. Discussion and possible action on approving the Consent Agenda.

- City Council Meeting Minutes for June 9 & 23, 2020
- Meeting Minutes for Called Meeting (Town Hall) July 13, 2020
- Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department Report
- Donley County Commissioners Report
- Burton Memorial Library Report
- Clarendon Municipal Court Report
- Code Enforcement Report
- Animal Control Report

A motion was made by Alderman Lockhart and seconded by Alderman McIntosh to approve the Consent Agenda, pulling the Code Enforcement Reports and the Clarendon Municipal Court to be discussed separately. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

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2. Discussion and possible action on the Code Enforcement Report.

A motion was made by Alderman Jeffers and seconded by Alderman Floyd to approve the Code Enforcement Report as presented. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

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3. Discussion and possible action on the Clarendon Municipal Court Report.

A motion was made by Alderman Floyd and seconded by Alderman Fangman to approve the Clarendon Municipal Court Report as presents. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-1344. Discussion and possible action on the Council Report (List of Bills).

A motion was made by Alderman Fangman and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve the Council Report as presented. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-1355. Discussion and possible action on the Statement of Revenue and Expense.

A motion was made by Alderman Jeffers and seconded by Alderman Floyd to approve the Statement of Revenue and Expense as presented. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-1366. Discussion and possible action on approving a Resolution "Designating the officer or employee responsible for complying with section 26.04 of the Texas Tax Code for the city; and providing an effective date."

A motion was made by Alderman Floyd and seconded by Alderman McIntosh to approve a Resolution Designating the Chief Appraiser of the Donley County Appraisal District as the officer responsible for complying with Section 26.04 of the Texas Tax Code, for performing certain functions for the purpose of the tax rate adoption process. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-1377. Discussion and possible action on receiving the calculated no-new revenue tax rate and voter-approved tax rate for the 2020-2021 Fiscal year.

A motion was made by Alderman Floyd and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve the calculated no-new revenue tax rate as .562444, and voter-approved tax rate as .585493, and setting a proposed tax rate of .5849 per \$100 for the 2020-2021 Fiscal year. City Council set the date and time for the Budget Public Hearing as September 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. and adoption at the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. The Tax Rate Public Hearing was set for September 24, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. and adoption at the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. With a roll call vote as follows; Alderman Floyd, McIntosh, Jeffers, Lockhart and Fangman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-1388. Discussion and possible action on approving an Engagement Letter with Foster and Lambert to provide the Annual Audit for the year ended September 30, 2020.

A motion was made by Alderman Floyd and seconded by Alderman Jeffers to approve an Engagement Letter with Foster and Lambert to provide the Annual Audit for the year ended September 30, 2020. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-1399. Discussion and possible action on approving an amendment to the City Secretary's Employment Agreement.

A motion was made by Alderman Floyd and seconded by Alderman McIntosh to amend the City Secretary's Employment Agreement, extending the agreement for a subsequent three-year period continuing through September 2023. With Alderman Floyd, McIntosh, Lockhart, and Fangman voting AYE, and Alderman Jeffers abstaining, the motion carried.

10. Discussion and possible action on the City Administrator's Report:

- Code Compliance Update
- USDA Project Update
- Water Recreation Project Update
- Airport RAMP Grant Project
- Sanitation Update
- ADA Ramp Committee Meeting Update
- Update on Employees
- Budget Workshop

MAYOR COMMENTS: The guest from the previous meeting, Regina Herndon, asked if the City could look into building an emergency shelter. The Mayor and Administrator spoke with the College and the High School and the High School said the community could use their basements. City Hall has an interior room that is all cinder block the community could use. Mayor Skelton met with Judge Howard and the plans are still on for the Chuckwagon Cook-off. He will have to do an exception to the Governors rule on more than 10 people in one area and the Museum Board will comply with other guidelines to an outdoor gathering. Mayor Skelton also told Council that Judge Howard expressed how fortunate Clarendon was to have Administrator Dockery.

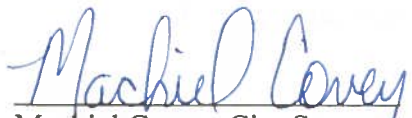
COUNCIL COMMENTS: Alderman McIntosh said she regretted not standing up and supporting Administrator Dockery personally at the Town Hall meeting. We all let him have the floor to respond and explain questions and he did well, but looking back, she regrets not showing her support then. Alderman Jeffers stated that he was glad to know city business carried-on during his absence. Alderman Lockhart supports what Alderman McIntosh said, and that he appreciates all the staff does for the City.

Adjournment:

There being no further business on the agenda, a motion was made by Alderman Jeffers and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m., with each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.


Sandy Skelton, Mayor

Attest:


Machiel Covey, City Secretary