

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARENDON, TEXAS
REGULAR MEETING, JULY 23, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Skelton at 7:00 p.m.

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

ABSENT: Alderman Nathan Floyd
Alderman Larry Jeffers

OTHERS PRESENT: Keith Floyd, Tommy Hill, Grett Betts, Regina Herndon, and Roger Estlack

INVOCATION: Mayor Skelton

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Tommy Hill had a concern about the Town Hall Public Meeting. He stated that Council had a public meeting with a public forum to hear the complaints and dislikes of all the citizens in this community and that they are the governing body of the City and that he found it disrespectful to the citizens and the tax payers to be shut off on what they wanted to talk about. The board didn't hear much because the citizens were shut off. He found it disrespectful to all the citizens and that it is Councils' job to listen.

Regina Herndon spoke to Council about the need for a community shelter in case a tornado came. There are many people in this town that do not have a place to go for shelter. There is not enough room in the churches or schools to protect all the citizens. She asked Council to consider building a community shelter so if a disaster hits Clarendon, the citizens would have a place to go. It could be built on City property to cut cost, or possibly two different locations.

AUTHORIZATIONS BY CITY COUNCIL:

19-124

1. Discussion and possible action on approval of the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Hotel Occupancy Tax Reports for the second and third quarters of 2020.

A motion was made by Alderman Fangman and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Hotel Occupancy Tax Reports for the second and third quarters of 2020 as completed. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

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2. Discussion and possible action on approval of the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation Quarterly Hotel Occupancy Tax Reports for the second and third quarters of 2020.

A motion was made by Alderman Lockhart and seconded by Alderman McIntosh to approve the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation Quarterly Hotel Occupancy Tax Reports for the second and third quarters of 2020 as presented. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-126

3. Discussion and possible action on appointing a Committee of interested individuals to explore handicap accessibility issues on Kearney Street.

A motion was made by Alderman McIntosh and seconded by Alderman Fangman to appoint Elmonette Bivins Reader, Virginia Patten, Katie Askew, Jim Owens, Jerri Ann Shields, Steve Hall, Roger Estlack, Keith Floyd, and Kim Fowler to the Committee of interested individuals to explore handicap accessibility issues on Kearney Street. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

19-127

4. Discussion and possible action on determination whether or not the accumulation of rubbish and trash or the growth of weeds or grass, or both, are sufficient to constitute a public nuisance as describe in Article 6, Weeds and Rubbish, of the City of Clarendon Code of Ordinances. For the properties located at:

610 West 4th Street
818 East 4th Street
1100 East 3rd Street
818 South Carhart Street

A motion was made by Alderman McIntosh and seconded by Alderman Fangman to determine these conditions of the four addresses do warrant a public nuisance at 610 West 4th Street, 818 East 4th Street, 1100 East 3rd Street, and 818 South Carhart Street. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carries.

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5. Discussion and possible action on approving a Resolution, declaring the properties listed above to be a public nuisance as described in Section 6 Weeds and Rubbish, of the City of Clarendon Code of Ordinances.

A motion was made by Alderman Fangman and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve a Resolution, declaring the properties at 610 West 4th Street, 818 East 4th Street, 1100 East 3rd Street, and 818 South Carhart Street to be a public nuisance as described in Section 6 Weeds and Rubbish, of the City of Clarendon Code of Ordinances. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carries.

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6. Discussion and possible action on review of Article 8, Junk Vehicles, of the City of Clarendon Code of Ordinances.

No action taken by City Council

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7. 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
 - Town Hall Meeting
 - Budget Workshop

MAYOR COMMENTS: Mayor Skelton read a "Thank You" card from Jerri Shield for the flowers she received on her birthday.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Alderman McIntosh said she hoped tonight's conversations with our guest help them fell better about where the City is going.

Adjournment:

There being no further business on the agenda, a motion was made by Alderman Lockhart and seconded by Alderman Fangman to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m., with each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.


Sandy Skelton, Mayor

Attest:


Machiel Covey, City Secretary