MINUTES OF THE CLINTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 15, 2025

Minutes of the special meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Clinton City Council, City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Clinton City Hall on April 11, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING

Mayor David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m. with the following present:

MAYOR: David Berrong
COUNCIL: Ernie Dowdell, Arthur Lloyd, Ernesto Villanueva
COUNCIL ABSENT: Stormie Hill,
MANAGER: Robert Johnston
CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard
CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham
CITY CLERK: Amy Jones
NEWS MEDIA: Gena Trent, Sean Stephens
OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Danny Tharp, Don Miller, Dillon Mach, Temple Diehl, and others.

Dan Day, Custer County Sheriff, opened the meeting with prayer and Donald Miller, Post Commander, American Legion Post No. 41 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes from April 1, 2025, Regular Meeting, April 9, 2025 Special Meeting,

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva that the Consent Agenda Items be approved.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS 3. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION(S) REGARDING:

A. Agreement with Rural Health Solutions, Inc. – Clinton Regional Hospital

City Attorney Meacham presented the Asset Purchase Agreement with Rural Health

Solutions, LLC for the purchase of Clinton Regional Hospital. He reminded the Council that we had met last week to approve the June 10, 2025 special election for the proposition to approve this sale. He stated that earnest money has already been received at his office for the agreement. Meacham stated that the agreement includes protection for the hospital license. Rural Health Solutions, Inc will receive a Quit Claim Deed for the Property and a bill of sale. The property will not include Klump Park property. Rural Health Solutions will assume the debt of the Clinton Hospital Authority operating as Clinton Regional Hospital and this includes the notes to the City of Clinton and the PWA. The Asset Purchase Agreement must be signed by the City of Clinton and the Clinton Hospital Authority. The Management Agreement will be signed by the Clinton Hospital Authority.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve the Asset Purchase Agreement with Rural Health Solutions, LLC.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. Resolution No. 1000 – Declaring April as Fair Housing Month

Resolution No. 1000 Declaring April as Fair Housing Month was presented to the Council for review and approval. City Manager Johnston stated that this is presented annually to maintain eligibility for CDBG grant opportunities and is the right thing to do.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve the Resolution No. 978 – Fair Housing as presented.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried.

C. Fair Housing Proclamation

The Fair Housing Proclamation recognizes the Month of April as Fair Housing Month, to be honored annually and continuously, in the spirit and intent of fair housing for all residents of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dowdell and seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to approve the Fair Housing Proclamation.

Mayor David Berrong put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Hill, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the motion carried

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 NEW BUSINESS (If any, pursuant to Section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.):
None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: COUNCIL COMMENTS
None

AGENDA ITEM NO.6: CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

City Manager Johnston stated that Councilmembers may be seeing information on social media about the Clinton Race Bowl at the northeast corner of the former landfill property. He reported that, if this potential new owner proceeds with plans to reopen the racetrack, there will be leases/easements agreements to approve.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (According to Audience participation Decorum Guidelines at Clinton City Council Public Meetings effective:2/14/2017)
None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Dowdell seconded by Councilmember Villanueva to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Dowdell, Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: None

Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

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Date Approved

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David Berrong, Mayor