MINUTES OF CLINTON PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY MEETING
MAY 6, 2025

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Chairman and Trustees of the Clinton Public Works Authority City of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. A notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Clinton City Hall on May 6, 2025, at 4:00 P.M.

AGENDA ITEM No. 1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING

Chairman David Berrong called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. with the following present:

CHAIRMAN: David Berrong
TRUSTEES: Stormie Hill, Arthur Lloyd, Ernesto Villanueva,
TRUSTEES ABSENT: Ernie Dowdell
MANAGER: Robert Johnston
CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard
CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham (absent)
CITY CLERK: Amy Jones
NEWS MEDIA: Gena Trent, Sean Stephens
OTHERS: Gene McCullough, Luis De La Torre, Kent and Beth Dewees, Troy and Christine Calvert, Toby Anders, Don Miller, Dillon Mach, Kristen Sawatzky, Talitha Adler, Brendan Price, Chris Roland, Cris Hickerson, Justine Caler, Craig and Charlen Meacham, Robert Stewart, Kelly Burley, Jennifer Sethre, Kent Jaggers, and others.

Kent Jaggers, Pastor First Baptist Church 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 of April 15, 2025, Regular Meeting,
B. Consider Claims
C. Acknowledgement of Financial Statement for the Month Ending March 31, 2025.
D. Pay Application No. 7 in the Amount of $293,645.00 by Walters-Morgan for Clinton Lake WTP Chlorine Building.
E. Change Order No. 1 by Krapff Reynolds Construction Company in the Net Deduct Amount of $11,658.00 for Clinton Sewer Improvements Project Associated with ODOT Project Agreement #31842(04) I-40 Exit 65 Improvements

Motion was made by Trustee Hill and seconded by Trustee Lloyd that the Consent Agenda Items be approved.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

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

Chairman declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

A. PW25-01 – Deferring for the Final Time the Adjustment of Water Rates Authorized by Resolution PW 14-04;

The Resolution PW25-01 was presented for review and approval. Manager Johnston stated that this would be the last time to present this for deferral.

Motion was made by Trustee Hill and seconded by Trustee Lloyd to approve the resolution PW25-01 – Deferring for the final time the adjustment of Water Rates Authorized by Resolution PW 14-04.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

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

Chairman declared the motion carried.

B. Line of Credit No. 5 in the amount of up to $1 million to Clinton Hospital Authority.

Manager Johnston stated that the election on June 10, 2025, will be a final piece of the puzzle for the public to approve the sale of the hospital. With the irregular receipt of funds to operate the hospital until the sale is completed no later than July 31, 2025, and the need to keep the hospital open until then, interim funding has been researched. Recent discussions with Rural Health Solutions, Third Avenue West and Clinton Hospital Authority members have resulted in the conclusion that the relatively better option was to request another line of credit of $1 million each from the Public Works Authority and City. Johnston said that in the conversations that he participated in regarding this matter, it was unfortunately clear that interim funding was essential to diminish the risk of the hospital running out of money before the sale was closed. Any funds drawn from the new line of credit will be included as loans included in the Asset Purchase Agreement to be repaid by Rural Health Solutions.

Trustee Stormie Hill asked several questions regarding the current hospital financial situation and the risk the PWA/City would be taking in approving additional lines of credit.

Jennifer Sethre, CRH Chief Operating Officer, responded regarding the current financial needs and that RHS and 3rd Avenue are very excited about acquiring the hospital. In addition, she stated that the staff are working hard to overcome issues that have been identified during the due diligence and continue to work to improve reimbursements to stabilize finances. It is very hard to operate a hospital only on income from the lab and emergency room, and as new services are rolled out it is anticipated that revenues will

improve. Chairman Berrong encouraged support of the process to continue moving forward with the sale of the hospital.

Motion was made by Trustee Villanueva and seconded by Trustee Art Lloyd to approve Line of Credit No. 5 in the amount of up to $1 Million to the Clinton Hospital Authority as requested.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Lloyd, Villanueva, Berrong
Nay: Hill

Chairman 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: TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: MANAGER COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Hill and seconded by Trustee Lloyd to adjourn the meeting.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Hill, Villanueva, Lloyd Berrong
Nay: None

Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

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Date Approved

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David D. Berrong, Chairman