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(This item is placed on the agenda so the Authority, by unanimous consent, can designate those routine items they wish to be approved by one motion. If an item does not meet the approval of all members, that item will be heard in regular order.)

PUBLIC NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2025 AT 4:00 PM FRISCO CONFERENCE CENTER, CEDA OFFICE, 101 S. 4TH STREET, CLINTON, OK 73601

AGENDA

Source listing: 12/30/2025 CEDA
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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CONSENT AGENDA

    A. Minutes of December 9, 2025, Regular Meeting

3. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING:

    A. Economic Development Director Position

    B. Request for Executive Session, Pursuant to Title 25 OK Statutes Section 307 (B) 2 Discussing the Purchase or Appraisal of Real Property.

    C. Reconvene from Executive Session

    D. Any Action(s) Arising Out of the Executive Session.

4. NEW BUSINESS (If any, as authorized pursuant to Section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.)

5. TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

6. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

7. ADJOURN

Filed this 26 th day of December 2025, posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Clinton City Hall, December 26, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

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Not recorded

SPECIAL MEETING
CLINTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Trustees of the Clinton Economic Development Authority of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma, held at the CEDA Office in the Frisco Conference Center, Clinton, OK on Thursday, December 9, 2025, at 3:00 P.M. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Clinton City Hall on December 5, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Ken Baker, John Cornell, Liz Johnson, and Russ Meacham.
TRUSTEES ABSENT: Max McKinsey
EX OFFICIO: Mayor David Berrong
MANAGER: Robert Johnston
CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham (absent)
ED DIRECTOR: Roland Mower
TREASURER: Debra Blanchard
CLERK: Amy Jones
NEWS MEDIA: Shianne Dawson, Sean Stephens
OTHERS: Dan Tharp and Pat Kosta

AGENDA ITEMS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ken Baker called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of November 13, 2025, Regular Meeting
B. Consider Claims
C. 2026 Meeting Dates

Motion was made by Trustee Russ Meacham and seconded by Trustee John Cornell to approve the consent agenda presented today.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Johnson, Meacham, Baker
Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

3. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING:

Chairman Baker presented Roland Mower with a certificate recognizing Mower's time of service in Clinton. This is Mower's last meeting before he retires.

A. Request for Executive Session Pursuant to Title 25, OK Statutes Section 307 (B) 1. Discussing The Employment, Hiring, Appointment, Promotion, Demotion, Discipling or Resignation of Employee, Economic Development Director.

Trustee Meacham stated that he does not believe that an Executive Session is in order even though Mower's retirement will create a vacancy which will need to be filled. He requested the discussion of the Economic Development Director position in open session.

Chairman Baker agreed with Trustee Meacham's comments. No motion was made to enter into Executive Session. The Trustees discussed the future of the Economic Development Director position in open session.

Mayor Berrong provided historical information regarding how CEDA was started and the intentions of the Authority and director position. Mayor Berrong stated that we do face challenges and we need to be realistic with our goals moving forward.

Trustee Meacham stated that he would like to see the see Authority define the role of the new director to be more specific for commercial, housing, retail, and identify what is the most important to the community for the next five years. He stated that he felt that we have to correlation between jobs, family/housing, and retail for economic growth.

Roland Mower, outgoing Economic Development Director reported on the highway project moving forward was great news for the Clinton. He stated that he sees the City of Clinton needing to focus on resolving the hospital issues, a study of the water production could be done to partner with other entities for the sale of water or to lease/se the R/O plant to decrease the cost of water and debt load on the City. He feels the cost of water inhibits growth. He stated that the Clinton Public Schools will be key in bringing growth and any improvements in that area are instrumental in recruiting families to the town. He encouraged the Authority to stay engaged at a state level and to support the businesses that are currently in our community.

Newly appointed Trustee Liz Johnson reiterated that a clear vision of what is needed for Clinton should be under consideration regarding housing, jobs, and community development.

Other comments were provided by citizens Dan Tharp and Patricia Kosta who are concerned about the future development of Clinton.

No action taken, comments only. However, there was discussion about meeting again before the end of the month if schedules permit.

B. Reconvene from Executive Session.

N/A

C. Any Action(s) Arising Out of the Executive Session.

N/A

4. NEW BUSINESS (If any, pursuant to section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.)

None

5. TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

6. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

None

&. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Trustee John Cornell and seconded by Trustee Russ Meacham to adjourn.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Johnson, Meacham, Baker
Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

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Date Approved

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Ken Baker, Chairman