CITY OF CLOVERPORT

REGULAR CALLED MEETING

OF THE CLOVERPORT CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 15TH, 2021 @ 5:30 P.M.

 Mayor Candy Weatherholt called to order the regular called meeting of the Cloverport City Council at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Weatherholt then welcomed those in attendance and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer from Adam Vergason. Roll call of the Council revealed the following:

 Gwan Bickett - Present Jenny Bradley – Present

 Melissa Burnett - Present Georgia DaleCannon – Present

 Hal Jennings - Present Danny Smiley – Present

 ***Agenda.*** Co. Bickett moved to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Co. Bradley with all ayes being cast.

 ***Minutes.*** Co. Burnett moved to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Co. Jennings with all ayes being cast.

 ***Financial Statements.*** Co. Smiley asked if the City could do away with the bank receiving water bills since the City now has online payments and a night deposit box. Co. Jennings made a motion to do away with bank payments and save the City $100 per month, seconded by Co. Bickett with all ayes being cast. Co. Smiley moved to accept the financial statements as presented, seconded by Co. Bradley with all ayes being cast.

 ***Reports.*** A. Mayor – Mayor Weatherholt reported the county has resurfaced some city streets. Weatherholt says the City will be receiving some cold patch to finish up some pot holes. Mayor Weatherholt then reported on the annexation process for the old Tile Plant. Weatherholt said there was no response from the current owners and Adam Critchelow will be surveying the property at a fee of $300 - $3500. Weatherholt says she sent the petition from the gravel pit to Brett Butler and the City is waiting to hear if there was more than 50% owners or residents on the petition. Co. Burnett asked if there would need to be a budget amendment to allow for the fee of the survey. Clerk Finley informed her that it was not a budgeted item and therefore would have to do an amendment.

 B. Clerk – City Clerk, Marcia Finley, announced 523 city stickers sold to date and 51,900 of tank water sold bringing in $468.75. Clerk Finley reported all bills in October were paid in full. Finley said she has enrolled Shane Atwell in a online water class to stay current with the city’s agreed order with Division of Water. Finley reported the online payments are going smoothly. Clerk Finley then reminded everyone of the Christmas parade on December 5th.

 C. Police – Police Chief, Chris Woosley, reported he had spent a week in Richmond and has now been caught up on all his training. Chief Woosley then informed the Council of the importance of having a computer in the police cruiser.

 D. Public Works – Public Works Director, Eddie Lee, reported his department fixed 7 water leaks, put asphalt down on 5 city streets, completed 3 water connections, 6 disconnections, 6 disconnections for non-payment, 11 miscellaneous work orders, 3 sewer problems, delivered 15 garbage totes, added 1 new customer, cancelled 1 customer, completed 3 miscellaneous work worders, completed 11 days and 44 tons of trash pick-up, used 211 gallons of diesel, 142 gallons of gas, completed 4 days of samples with no violations, and 3 days of water leak detection and his department is in the process of hand reading 430 meters. Water loss percentage could not be determined since meter reading was not completed.

 E. Fire – None

 F. Parks – Clerk Finley reported there wasn’t much going on in Parks but they wanted to let Council know that they have ordered a tarp for the ball field in the amount of $2,250. Finley also informed the Council that Parks will have a few new signs going up on their billboard.

 ***Annex Ordinance (Tile Plant – 1st Reading).*** City Attorney, T. Tommy Littlepage read the first reading of the annex ordinance. Co. Smiley made a motion to accept as presented, seconded by Co. Bickett. Roll call vote revealed the follows:

 Gwan Bickett – Aye Jenny Bradley – Aye

 Melissa Burnett – Aye Georgia DaleCannon – Aye

 Hal Jennings – Aye Danny Smiley - Aye

 ***Police Policies.*** Chief Woosley presented 3 policies to the Council consisting of Off-Duty Action, Jurisdiction/Mutual Aid, and Confidential Informants. Chief Woosley informed the Council these are policies that all departments are required to have and that he will be making copies of more policies to have the Council look at and approve.

 ***Melissa Burnett.*** Ms. Burnett said she had received a phone call from her landlord and informed Mayor Weatherholt not to come after her home. Ms. Burnett says Mayor Weatherholt had no right to call her landlord. Mayor Weatherholt informed Ms. Burnett that she has the right to call all property owners. Ms. Burnett said that the Mayor is not to be involved in a nuisance situation that is what the nuisance board is for and that they are supposed to be notified in writing. Mayor Weatherholt said she called P.V.A. to get the information of who owned the property. Ms. Burnett then asked why she received a bill for charges from the City Attorney for notifying him of ethic violations. T. Tommy Littlepage said he is the City’s Attorney and can represent anyone that sits on the Council and employees as well. He said he is not any council members personal attorney. He said he bills the City for his work. Ms. Burnett said she sent ethic violations to the Ethics Board and the City Attorney. She said the Ethics Board is supposed to report to her after their investigation. Ms. Burnett said the Co. Attorney is waiting to hear from the Ethics Board for their report. Co. Jennings asked if the Council can get a copy of the ethics letter. Co. Bickett said she needs to make it public. Ms. Burnett said she would be happy to give him a copy. City Attorney, Littlepage informed Burnett that the Ethics Board needs to follow up first. It was then brought up again if Ms. Burnett should pay the attorney bill with no action taken.

 ***Candace Weedman.*** Ms. Weedman asked why she received a bill for $25 for garbage pick-up when the City did not pick up her garbage. Ms. Weedman said that Melissa Burnett and her daughter cleaned up the trash on the back porch and took it to a dumpster out side of the City. Ms. Weedman said the only trash that the City picked up belonged to the City and to Brian Chain. Ms. Weedman stated that she does not have water or electric hooked up at the moment. Co. Bickett asked why and Ms. Weedman said that she gets told she is going to be evicted everytime she is there. Ms. Weedman said her goal is to have a walk-in shop but for now she is doing an on-line shop. Co. Jennings made a motion to waive the bill, seconded by Co. Bickett with all ayes being cast.

***Council Input.*** None.

 ***Adjournment.*** This concluding the business of the meeting, Co. Bickett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Co. DaleCannon.

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 Candy Weatherholt, Mayor

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Marcia A. Finley, City Clerk