CITY OF CLOVERPORT

REGULAR CALLED MEETING

OF THE CLOVERPORT CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 21ST, 2021 @ 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Candy Weatherholt called to order the special 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 (Tardy)

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

***Minutes.*** Co. DaleCannon moved to accept the minutes from the last two council meetings as presented, seconded by Co. Bradley will all ayes being cast.

***Financial Statements.*** Co. Burnett moved to accept the financial statements as presented, seconded by Co. DaleCannon with all ayes being cast.

***Reports.*** A. Mayor – Mayor Weatherholt handed out a copy of a Municipal Order she obtained from KLC on how to conduct meetings using Roberts Rules of Order. Weatherholt asked all Council members to take them home and look over it and will plan on voting on it at the next regular meeting. Weatherholt then announced that there will be $42,000 in road fund money to blacktop this year and if anyone knows of a street that is in need to please report it to City Hall. Mayor Weatherholt said there will be another clean-up day scheduled for July 10th. Weatherholt then explained to the Council that she has gone out of her way to schedule extra meetings to keep the Council up to date and it is discouraging that no one shows up or even calls to let her know they won’t be there. She says they shouldn’t just come to one meeting a month. Co. Burnett said she will not come to any extra meetings, that she will conduct business at the regular meeting.

B. Clerk – City Clerk, Marcia Finley, announced 240 city stickers sold to date and 32,900 gallons of tank water sold bringing in $296.00. Finley reported all bills in the month of May were paid in full. Finley then reported that the zoning ordinance amendment is now ready for the second reading tonight. Clerk Finley said the budget and budget amendment is ready for 1st reading tonight but everyone needs to keep in mind that some of the figures will change before the second reading. Finley then announced that the City will be receiving American Rescue money estimated at $214,181 and will be sent in 2 payments, one this year and the other next year. Finley said she has mailed all letters to current property owners listed for the intent to annex and it will be on the agenda for the July meeting.

C. Police – Police Chief, Adam Vergason, reported 2 arrests, 6 city citations and 4 state citations. Vergason announced that officer Chris Woosley had been promoted to Assistant Chief. Asst. Chief Woosley then reported a few minor break-ins and said they are doing the best they can and if anyone has any questions, to please call.

D. Public Works – Public Works Director, Eddie Lee, reported his department has completed 6 water leaks, 2 water disconnections, read 427 meters, 61 rechecks, 1 sewer issues, completed mowing and weedeating, completed 4 miscellaneous work orders, collected 63 tons of garbage for the month of April, used 190 gallons of diesel and 85 gallons of gas, collected 4 day of samples with no violations, 3 day of leak detection. Lee said the City is down to a 70% water loss.

E. Fire – Secretary, Melissa Burnett reported 13 runs, 83.6 gallons of diesel and that the department will be submitting a bid on a Ford Expedition. Burnett reported that her and the Fire Chief went to Lester Fulkerson to try to flush out the culverts but were unsuccessful.

F. Parks – Kyle Snyder announced there will be a parks meeting on July 23rd at 6 p.m.

***Kentucky Engineers.*** Kentucky Engineering submitted a statement of qualifications to the city council for the upcoming water/wastewater project. This was the only submittal received. Co. Burnett made a motion to accept, seconded by Co. Jennings with all ayes being cast.

***Planning & Zoning Ordinance Amendment (2nd Reading).*** City Attorney, T. Tommy Littlepage read the 2nd reading, this time in a summary ordinance form. Co. DaleCannon made a motion to accept the summary ordinance for the Planning and Zoning regulations, seconded by Co. Bickett. Roll call vote reavealed the following:

Gwan Bickett – Aye Jenny Bradley – Aye

Melissa Burnett – Aye Georgia DaleCannon – Aye

Hal Jennings – Aye Danny Smiley – Aye

Co. Bradly made a motion to accept the summary ordinance for the Planning and Zoning Building regulations, seconded by Co. Smiley. Roll call vote revealed the following:

Gwan Bickett – Aye Jenny Bradley – Aye

Melissa Burnett – Aye Georgia DaleCannon – Aye

Hal Jennings – Aye Danny Smiley - Aye

***Surplus.*** Police Chief Adam Vergason announced there were several items that need to be surplused including a Humvee, Dodge Durango, large cargo truck, large generator, portable light set, a utility trailer and a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Co. DaleCannon made a motion to declare the items as surplus and to take sealed bids, seconded by Co. Smiley with all ayes being cast. Clerk Finley said she will list the items in the paper and will open bids at the next regular meeting.

***2020 – 2021 Budget Amendement (1st Reading).*** Co. Bradley made a motion to accept the 1st reading of the budget amendment, seconded by Co. DaleCannon. Roll call vote revealed the following:

Gwan Bickett – Aye Jenny Bradley – Aye

Melissa Burnett - Aye Georgia DaleCannon – Aye

Hal Jennings – Aye Danny Smiley - Aye

***2021-2022 Budget (1st Reading).***  There was a discussion about why there wasn’t anything in the budget for Parks to pay on utilities. Mayor Weatherholt said she did think they needed to since their money isn’t guaranteed. Co. Burnett stated that neither is the Fire Departments and last year it was In the budget for both departments to pay on utilities. Co. Bickett agreed with Co. Burnett. Mayor Weatherholt said it would be fixed for the second reading. Co. Bradley made a motion to accept the 1st reading of the new budget, seconded by Co. Smiley. Roll call vote presented the following:

Gwan Bickett – Aye Jenny Bradley – Aye

Melissa Burnett – Aye Georgia DaleCannon – Aye

Hal Jennings - Aye Danny Smiley - Aye

***Citizen Input.*** Lester Fulkerson addressed the Council once again and wanted to know if anything was going to be done about his ditch. Mayor Weatherholt said there was no money in the previous budget but will put it in the upcoming budget and issue a work order. Mr. Fulkerson said he has been waiting 5 months and should have done it by now. He said he has talked to an attorney and if something happens to him and an ambulance can’t get to him in time then the City could be looking at a wrongful death suit. Mayor Weatherholt said he should ask the City Attorney since he was sitting right there. City Attorney, T.Tommy Littlepage agreed that there is potential for a law suit. Mayor Weatherholt asked Mr. Fulkerson for proof that he owns the property. Mr. Fulkerson said he has done everything that she has asked him to do and that she was being rude. Co. Jennings suggested that the City order the pipe and tile that is needed so that it is readily available when the workers have time to get to it. Co. Bickett suggested to bring it up at the next meeting and have figures ready. Ronnie Harper also addressed the issue as he lives on the same street. Mayor Weatherholt said the issue should have been brought up years ago. Mr. Fulkerson then asked why all the curbs at the intersection of W. Main St. and Elm St. are painted yellow except the curb in front of her property. Mayor Weatherholt said it use to be years ago. Mr. Fulkerson offered to help paint it and Mayor Weatherholt informed him he was not allowed on her property. Mayor Weatherholt then thanked Mr. Fulkerson for his respect. Amanda Devon was attending the meeting via Zoom and introduced herself to the Council. Mrs. Devon and her husband, Shane are part of Tinker Tone Productions and will be filming a short film in the City beginning in July, Lauren Bader addressed the Council about the upcoming intent to annex property where she currently lives. Several people asked about the wildlife and farm animals that are currently on these properties. Bader wanted to know if they were going to be receiving City services and if they would fall under City Ordinances if annexed. Mayor Weatherholt informed them that City services would be available within a reasonable amount of time and that all of this will be on the agenda at the meeting in July.

***Council Input.*** Co. Burnett asked who voted the current Parks and Recreation chairman on board. Kyle Snyder said it was brought to the Council when the previous chairman and secretary stepped down. Co. Jennings asked about Carolyn Barr. Mayor Weatherholt said she had mailed letters out to her again today. It was discussed that the City can go back on previous owner if the deed hasn’t been recorded. Co. Bradley said everyone should be working together and that she is embarrassed with how everyone has been acting.

***Executive Session.*** Co. Smiley made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Upon returning Mayor Weatherholt announced there was no action taken.

***Adjournment.*** This concluding the business of the meeting, Co. Smiley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Co. Bradley with all ayes being cast.