

The Clermont Town Council met on August 7 2012. Sonny Helton led the invocation and Mayor Nix led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Mayor, James Nix, Council Members, John Brady, Sonny Helton, Debra Armour, Seth Weaver, and Ellen Rogers. Town Clerk, Sandra Helton, Deputy Clerk, Amy Lomax.

Candidates, Jeff Strickland, Gerald Couch and Darla Eden each spoke five minutes about the political race and why they thought they should be elected.

MINUTES: Seth Weaver made a motion to accept the July 2012 Minutes. John Brady seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Seth Weaver made a motion to accept the July 2012 Financial Statement. Sonny Helton seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

REPORT: ORDINANCE 97-01 PLANNING AND ZONING: The Council reviewed this report.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Nix explained to the Council that we need to adopt a new Resolution in regards to the recent changes in the Open Meetings and Open Records acts. The Council reviewed the two model resolutions and discussed a few details about each. The Mayor and Council agreed to have the resolution ready to pass at the next meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBER TIME:

CLERMONT HOTEL: Seth Weaver inquired about the Hotel and said he would like to further discuss being able for The Town to purchase the building.

CLERMONT DAYS: John Brady gave a quick update on the 2012 Clermont Days Festival.

OTHER: Mayor Nix said he checked into getting a newspaper recycle bin and placing it at the location of the new shop on Oxford Road. The former bin was located on Market Street and it has been discontinued.

LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (LOST) NEGOTIATIONS: Mayor Nix reported that the LOST negotiations began July 23, 2012 with a meeting at the Spout Springs Library in Flowery Branch, Georgia. The meeting only covered the framework for the future meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2012 at the County Court House Annex in Gainesville.

ADJOURN: Seth Weaver made a motion to adjourn at 7:40pm. John Brady seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

Sandra Helton, City Clerk