

The Clermont Town Council met on June 4, 2013. Sonny Helton led the invocation. Mayor Nix led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Mayor, James Nix, Council members, Sonny Helton, John Brady, Debra Armour, and Ellen Rogers. Deputy Clerk, Amy Lomax, and Town Clerk, Sandra Helton.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2013-2014 BUDGET: The budget is being set for \$258,950.00. Mayor Nix opened the public hearing at 7:01pm and opened the floor for comments. The Mayor explained that we still do not have any word on the LOST negotiations and how it will be distributed between the cities and the county. It is still in the hands of the judge. He also said he was unsure of what we would be receiving on the car fee that replaced the sales tax and what impact this would have on our budget. Hearing no comments, the Mayor said the public hearing would remain open for twenty minutes.

MINUTES: Sonny Helton made a motion to approve the May 7, 2013 Minutes. Debra Armour seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: John Brady made a motion to approve the May 2013 Financial Statement. Ellen Rogers seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

REPORT: ORDINANCE 97-01: The Council reviewed this report. We have several permits that were issued several years ago. The Mayor and Council agreed to send a letter to permit holders who have stopped construction or have not started for a 6 month period. The permit states that the permit is void if construction has been stopped for six months or has not been started in six months.

Other:

STREETS IN CLERMONT STATION: Joe Googan and Lamar Hendrix from Clermont Station asked the Mayor and Council to look at the streets in the Clermont Station subdivision. They stated that Robbie Robinson, the developer of the subdivision wants the homeowners to take over everything including the roads. They stated they are not willing to take them over due to the present condition of the roads. Mayor Nix explained that the Town of Clermont would not, accept the streets unless they are brought up to the proper code. Mayor Nix said he is meeting with Robbie Robinson on Thursday of this week. Mr. Googan questioned why the map does not show the streets being private property and instead reflects them as being in the City. Mayor Nix said the land is in the city when it is annexed, but the City does not take responsibility for the streets until they are brought up to code and requested by the developer to be accepted by the City. Mayor Nix said one of the things the Town has not required in the past was a bond. Mr. Googan said his main concern was that Robbie Robinson wants the residents to take over the Homeowners association entirely in January of 2014 and the residents don't want the responsibility of the unfinished roads. Mayor Nix said we would get together after the meeting with Robbie and also get a county engineer to come and assess the roads.

CLERMONT DAYS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION: John Brady said the committee was making progress. He said the Lions Club met and they are working on the 5K race. He noted they do have a Face book page set up for the Clermont Days Festival. He also mentioned that they have someone to handle the sound and the groups to perform for one price. He said the Mayor and Council needed to decide soon if we are going to put up an additional flag pole to display the winner's flag for Clermont Days.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2013-2014 BUDGET: The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments on the budget. After no further questions or comments on the budget, Mayor Nix closed the public hearing.

BUDGET RESOLUTION: Sonny Helton made the motion to adopt the 2013-2014 budget in the amount of \$258,950.00. John Brady seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

COUNCIL MEMBER TIME:

Debbie Armour: Debbie reported the park was almost done. The only two things left to do were order more mulch and order two replacement swings.

Sonny Helton: Sonny Helton announced to the Mayor and Council that he was not planning on seeking re-election in November.

Ellen Rogers: Ellen questioned whether if we were going to sell the items we have stored such as the fence and other things. Mayor Nix said Maintenance Supervisor, Tommy Rogers was compiling list of the items to be sold.

Mayor Nix: Mayor Nix reported on the possible move to the Precinct building and said we were still waiting on Hall County to contact us to let us know when the move would take place.

Mayor Nix said the Gym remodel was going well and should be finished by the end of the month.

There will be no work session for the month of June.

ADJOURN: Sonny Helton made a motion to adjourn at 7:47pm. Debbie Armour seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

Sandra Helton, Town Clerk

