

The Clermont Town Council met on July 1, 2014. The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

John Moore, Pastor from Trinity United Church led the invocation and Seth Weaver led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Mayor, James Nix, Council members, Seth Weaver, Lynn Adams, and John Brady. Deputy Clerk, Amy Lomax, and Town Clerk, Sandra Helton.

**MINUTES:** Seth Weaver made a motion to approve the June 2014 Minutes. John Brady seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** Seth Weaver made a motion to accept the June 2014 Financial Statement. Lynn Adams seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

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

**BEER & WINE SALES:** Seth Weaver made a motion to leave the ordinance regarding beer and wine as it stands. Lynn Adams seconded. All Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

**SPECIAL ELECTION ORDINANCE 06-2014-01:** Due to the recent resignation of council member, Debra Armour, the Town of Clermont will be holding a special election in November 2014. The person elected would finish out her term which will end December 2015. This ordinance spells out the specifics of this election including the qualifying fee, qualifying date, and the procedures for the election. Seth Weaver made a motion to approve Ordinance 06-2014-01. John Brady seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

#### **COUNCIL MEMBER TIME:**

**John Brady:** John Brady presented some pictures of constructed pavilions to show as a reference for what he is considering for the roof on the stage at the Clermont Gym Park. He said he asked Brian Parks to put together some specs for the pavilion. The Mayor suggested he gather these completed specs so we could go out for bids. John Brady said he was open to suggestions from the Council concerning this project.

**Lynn Adams:** Lynn Adams said she had received a call from the Pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church. Lynn Adams said she would like for the Council to review the sign ordinance. She said the Pastor still isn't clear on the temporary/permanent sign ordinance. After some discussion the Mayor and Council agreed to discuss this in the work session on the 15<sup>th</sup> of July.

**Mayor Nix:** Mayor Nix reported on several items. He noted the King Street paving project was complete as of late Friday as well as the installation and extension of the culvert pipe.

The electrical upgrade project at the Chattahoochee Center park will began soon. He said he had worked with Sonny Helton to put together a list of materials that will be needed and he also said he was working with Home Depot to possibly get a price break on the cost of the materials.

SPLOST VII input meeting results have been summarized and Mayor Nix said he would forward the email to the Town Hall clerk's office if anyone wished to view them.

The citizens and property owners of the town have all been notified of the new garbage service. Chase Sanitation is in the process of delivering cans. The clerks reported that everything has been going smooth with the transition.

He also mentioned the pine straw at the Clermont Chattahoochee Center had washed into the drain from the recent rains and stopped up the drains causing water to flood into the library. He said we need to see what can be done about keeping the drains unstopped.

He announced the upcoming JMA meeting to be held at Jamore Farm hosted by the City of Lula. It will be the last Monday night in July and more information will follow.

Attorney David Syfan and Faith Bryan from Georgia Mountains Regional Commission have been working on the ward maps for the Town. The Council reviewed the revised draft copies of the ward maps. Mayor Nix said for the Council to review the maps so we can let Attorney David Syfan know if we are in agreement to the changes so he can move forward with this process.

Mayor Nix mentioned the DOT maintenance agreement has been cancelled. Unfortunately these funds had already been factored into our budget so we will need to make necessary adjustments.

**ADJOURN:** Seth Weaver made a motion to adjourn at 7:05pm. Lynn Adams seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

Sandra Helton, Town Clerk

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