

APRIL 9, 2012 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Clinton, North Carolina, met in regular session on April 9, 2012, in the City Hall Auditorium. Regular sessions usually begin at 7:00 PM; however, due to a quorum being present at exactly 7:00 PM, regular session began at 7:14 PM. City Council met on April 3, 2012 and unanimously approved continuing the April 3, 2012 city council meeting until April 9, 2012. Mayor Starling presided.

Councilmembers Strickland, Becton, and Mayor Pro Tem Harris were present. Councilmember Stefanovich was absent, due to the passing of his mother, Ms. Barbara Jean Stefanovich. Councilmember Jean Turlington had excused absence.

City Attorney Dale Johnson; City Clerk Elaine F. Hunt; City Manager John Connet; Assistant City Manager-Finance Director Shawn Purvis; Planning and Zoning Director Mary Rose; Public Works Director Jeff Vreugdenhil; Parks and Recreation Director Judi Nicholson; Interim Fire Chief Swiger, and Police Chief Mike Brim were present. Also present were Audrey Whetten, Planner 1; Lyle Moore, Planner 1; Deputy Fire Chief Todd Solice; Human Resource Manager Lisa Carter; Lisa Osthues, Environmental Program Manager; Captain Al Buchanan; Captain Lawrence Parrish; Captain George Raynor; Lt. Josh Coombs; Firefighter Clark Strickland; Firefighter William Hall; Firefighter Andrew Hawkins; Firefighter Robbie Owens; and Captain Jimmie Lewis.

Chris Berendt, of the Sampson Independent and Melvin Henderson, of the Sampson Weekly, were also present.

Mayor Starling asked that everyone pray for Councilmember Stefanovich and his family. He also asked that everyone pray for the city employee who was involved in a head-on collision just hours before this meeting began.

City Manager John F. Connet gave the invocation.

CITY COUNCIL

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Councilmember Becton, the minutes of the March 6, 2012 and April 3, 2012 regular city council meetings were unanimously approved.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mayor Starling welcomed Gary Mac Herring, Board President, and Janna Bass, Executive Director to the meeting. Mr. Herring introduced Mrs. Bass to the group. Mrs. Bass stated that she is visiting the local governing boards to meet everyone. She stated that her goal is to be countywide, she is very excited about her new endeavors, and the relationships that will be established.

PRESENTATION –CLINTON FIRE DEPARTMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

City Manager Connet asked Interim Chief Swiger to make a quick presentation regarding a recent structure fire at 609 Sampson Street. Chief Swiger stated that the fire

occurred on March 17, 2012. He briefed Mayor and City Council on the manner in which the fire was handled. He stated that the fire started in the kitchen. Chief Swiger commended his staff on an outstanding job.

Councilmember Strickland stated he saw a news clip regarding the structure fire. He further stated that there were two young men exiting the home and inquired as to who they were. Chief Swiger informed him that it was Michael Cottle and Brandon Core. Councilmember Strickland was very impressed with the way the Clinton Fire Department handled this ordeal.

City Manager Connet commended Chief Swiger and the Clinton Fire Department on a job well done in diminishing the structure fire. He presented a PowerPoint to City Council regarding the Fire Department's strategic plan for 2012. Mr. Connet stated that the staffing study is complete and it has been determined that both Beaman Street and Wall Street fire stations are needed. He said that Station 2 (Beaman Street) needs to be manned 24 hrs/7days a week. He stated that currently, there are 11 full-time staff and 17 part-time staff. He mentioned that a systematic replacement plan needs to be established for the apparatus. City Manager stated that since 2002, the hydrant program has been heightened.

City Manager Connet spoke regarding the long range financing strategy. He stated that within the fire district, the collection rate needs to be evaluated. He recommended increasing rate by \$0.01 to cover cost of equipment and personnel that serves the rural fire district. Also, he recommended notifying the County that the Clinton Fire Department will reduce its response area for rescues services. He stated that effective July 1, 2012, the recommendations are to:

- Establish a minimum staffing level
- Convert to 24 hrs. shifts
- Hire 4 additional full-time employees and supplement with part-time personnel
- Modify the compensation policy to encourage callbacks
- Establish service fees for non-fire related responses such as, automobile accidents, haz-mat incidents, and service calls

Councilmember Strickland commented that currently if there is a car accident, the Fire Department goes to the scene. He questioned how this recommended change would be enforced.

Mayor Starling questioned how compensation is handled when a firefighter is off duty and called in for a fire. City Manager Connet stated that they don't get overtime until they work 212 hours in a 28-day cycle.

Mayor asked Chief Swiger what his thoughts were regarding firefighters going to fire scenes on their personal cars and he replied that it crowds the scene.

P & Z – 604 AND 606 NORTHEAST BOULEVARD –JOAN BACON AND AMY ROSE

Mayor Starling opened a public hearing on a rezoning request by Joan Bacon and Amy Rose to rezone two parcels, approximately .39 acres at 604 Northeast Boulevard, and .28 acres at 606 Northeast Boulevard, from R-8 Residential to O & I Office and Institutional.

Planning Director Rose stated that Mrs. Joan Bacon and Mrs. Amy Rose request the rezoning of two parcels, approximately .39 acres at 604 Northeast Boulevard, and .28 acres at 606 Northeast Boulevard, from R-8 Residential to O & I Office and Institutional. She stated that the Planning Board unanimously voted to rezone these properties to O & I Office and Institutional.

No one else appeared to be heard, and the hearing was closed.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, it passed unanimously to rezone two parcels, approximately .39 acres at 604 Northeast Boulevard, and .28 acres at 606 Northeast Boulevard, from R-8 Residential to O & I Office and Institutional.

P & Z – FY08 CDBG-CR RUSSELL STREET/PUGH ROAD “ADD-ON” PROGRAM

Mayor Starling opened a public hearing regarding the closeout of the FY08 CDBG-CR Russell Street/Pugh Road “Add-on” Program. Mr. Chip Bartlett, Community Development Block Grant project administrator appeared before City Council. He stated that the construction and rehabilitation to additional homes on Russell Street and Pugh Road are completed or will be complete soon. He stated that there is no action for City Council to take. He further stated that this public hearing is a requirement to this project, in order to review the budget and activities that have been accomplished through this FY08 CDBG-CR Russell Street/Pugh Road “Add-on” Program. Mr. Chip Bartlett reminded all that this was a \$320,000 project; however presently, only approximately \$239,967 has been spent.

No one else appeared to be heard and the public hearing was closed.

No action was necessary.

P & Z – FY11 CDBG “CATALYST” FUNDS – ELIZA LANE AREA

City Manager Connet stated that the City began the process of applying for FY11 CDBG Catalyst program funds. He stated that the plan was to rehabilitate homes in all areas of the city. City Manager Connet stated that staff has learned that a citywide application would not be competitive and our best application would serve Eliza Lane only. He further informed City Council that due to the fact that the City is putting substantial funds into the Eliza Lane area as part of the FY10 CDBG project and this area is not in the city, he recommends not proceeding with the grant. He asked City Council to close this public hearing and take no action.

No one else appeared to be heard and the public hearing was closed.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, it passed unanimously to not proceed with the city’s application for \$500,000 in FY11 CDBG “Catalyst” funds for housing improvements in the Eliza Lane neighborhood.

DONATION – ACE PLAZA PARKING LOT – BY ELIZABETH STEWART

Mayor Starling, with the consensus of the City Council, continued this item until the May 1, 2012 city council meeting.

BIDS—BANKING SERVICES

Assistant City Manager - Finance Director Shawn Purvis spoke regarding the award of bid for the City of Clinton banking service contract. He stated that proposals were solicited from five local banks: BB&T, First Citizens, PNC, Southern Bank, and Wells Fargo. He stated that only BB&T and First Citizens responded. Mr. Purvis recommended First Citizens Bank for another three-year period.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Becton, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, it passed unanimously to award First Citizens Bank the banking service contract for the City of Clinton for another three years.

BIDS—AUDITING SERVICES

Assistant City Manager - Finance Director Shawn Purvis spoke regarding the award of bid for the City of Clinton auditing service contract. He stated that proposals were solicited from 13 accounting firms; however, only four firms responded: Denning & Sessoms, PA; Thompson, Price, Scott, Adams & Co.; Preston Douglas & Assoc.; and Joyce & Company. Mr. Purvis recommended continuing auditing services with Denning & Sessoms, PA. His recommendation stemmed from Denning & Sessoms, PA, familiarity with the City's financial systems, their presence in the community, the lesser fees, and the professionalism that they have demonstrated to the City.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Becton, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, it passed unanimously to award Denning & Sessoms, PA, the auditing service contract for the City of Clinton for another three years.

CONTRACT BETWEEN CITY OF CLINTON AND NC DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION DIVISION OF PRISONS

Public Works Director Vreugdenhil asked City Council to approve a contract to have inmates from Bladen County work within the City of Clinton's workforce. He stated that the inmates would be picked up daily from White Lake. He stated that the plan is to place certain employees on 4-day work weeks. Mr. Vreugdenhil stated that the inmates would get \$1.00 per day. He stated that city employees are being trained to supervise these seven inmates. He concluded by stating that their duties will include, but are not limited to, janitorial, grounds/building maintenance, cleaning park/recreation area maintenance, public works projects, roadside cleaning, recycling projects and other governmental agency projects.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, it passed unanimously to approve a contract between the City of Clinton and the NC Department of Corrections for inmate labor.

SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Becton, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, April 16-20, 2012, is hereby designated as Spring Clean-Up Week and suspends Sections 11-4 (e)(g) and (i) of the City Code, except the collection of batteries, and in cases, other items which pose hazardous to city staff or the landfill will not accept.

STREET CLOSING – DRIVE IN DRIVE OUT DRUGS

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Councilmember Becton, and unanimously passed, approval was given to close the following streets for the “Drive in Drive out Drugs” event on April 27, 2012: Vance Street from Sampson Street to Wall Street; East Main Street from Wall Street to Lisbon Street; from 2:30 PM until 9:00 PM.

CITY COUNCIL -- BUDGET WORKSHOPS

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, seconded by Councilmember Becton, and approved unanimously, a Presentation of the Water Plant Expansion Project was set for 6:00 PM on April 16, 2012, and budget planning workshops were set for 6:00 PM on May 15, and May 24, 2012 in the City Hall Auditorium/Training Room.

RESCINDING OF ANNEXATIONS – RUSSELL STREET, PUGH ROAD, AND A PARCEL ON HWY 403

City Manager Connet stated that at the February 7, 2012 city council meeting, City Council adopted two Resolutions of Intent to consider annexation on Russell Street, Pugh Road, and NC Hwy 403. He stated that after examining the new annexation laws more in depth, staff believes that we should attempt to annex these areas through a property owner initiated process. He recommended to City Council to rescind the two previously adopted Resolutions of Intent.

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, the following resolutions of rescindment were unanimously adopted:

RESCINDMENT OF RESOLUTION OF INTENT

A RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF CLINTON TO CONSIDER ANNEXATION OF THE AREAS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND FIXING THE DATE OF A PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING AND A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE QUESTION OF ANNEXATION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Clinton City Council of the City of Clinton that:

Section 1. It is the intent of the Clinton City Council of the City of Clinton to consider annexation of the following described territories pursuant to Chapter 160A, Article 4A, Part 3 of the General Statutes of North Carolina:

DESCRIPTION OF

ANNEXATION AREA 1
PUGH ROAD/RUSSELL STREET
PROPERTY TO BE ANNEXED BY
CITY OF CLINTON
located in

NORTH CLINTON TOWNSHIP, SAMPSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

BEGINNING at a stake in the Southern right-of-way line of N. C. Highway No. 403 (Faison Highway) at its intersection with the existing city limit line of the City of Clinton, said stake being located North 79 degrees 19 minutes 09 seconds East 681.48 feet from N. C. G. S. Station "Tractor" having N. C. Grid Coordinates of X = 2,205,809.04 and Y = 457,966.00 (1983 N. A. Datum); running thence from said beginning point with the Southeastern right-of-way line of N. C. Highway No. 403 (Faison Highway) (30 feet from the center line), North 67 degrees 30 minutes 08 seconds East 510.87 feet to a stake on the dividing line between Campbell Oil Company of Clinton (see Deed Book 1030 Page 108) and T. Carroll Hobbs (see Deed Book 923 Page 44); thence with said line, South 04 degrees 52 minutes 57 seconds West 193.07 feet to a stake; thence with Campbell Oil Company, James M. Faison (see Deed Book 1013 Page 561), and Blonnie D. Carr, South 69 degrees 57 minutes 10 seconds East 143.43 feet to an existing iron stake; thence with Junious and Trudy Tyndall (see Deed Book 1593 Page 88 and Map Book 59 Page 84), South 64 degrees 49 minutes 30 seconds East 105.51 feet to an existing iron stake and South 66 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds East 50.00 feet to an existing iron stake; thence with Tyndall and with the edge of Oak Street, North 06 degrees 48 minutes 48 seconds East 79.00 feet to an existing iron pipe, South 65 degrees 20 minutes 04 seconds East 9.00 feet to an existing iron pipe, North 67 degrees 36 minutes 23 seconds East 13.10 feet to an existing iron pipe, and South 06 degrees 48 minutes 48 seconds West 40.22 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence again with Tyndall, and with Jessie L. Brewington (see Deed Book 708 Page 128) and with Anna Belle Ashley (see Deed Book 708 Page 95), South 66 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds East 192.80 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence with the edge of Maple Street, North 06 degrees 48 minutes 48 seconds East 90.67 feet to an existing iron stake and North 87 degrees 30 minutes 22 seconds East 20.00 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence with the property now or formerly owned by Daisy B. Stokes (see Deed Book 803 Page 624) and Lawrence Melson (see Deed Book 1465 Page 994 and Map Book 44 Page 79), North 87 degrees 30 minutes 58 seconds East 97.57 feet to an existing iron stake; thence again with Melson and with Moses J. McRae (see Deed Book 1239 Page 122), North 10 degrees 23 minutes 48 seconds East 100.02 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence with A & M Oliver Properties, LLC (see Deed Book 1591 Page 474 and Map Book 56 Page 12) and with Sharon McPhail (see Deed Book 1207 Page 361), North 63 degrees 00 minutes 43 seconds East 173.71 feet to a stake and North 72 degrees 28 minutes 29 seconds East 179.74 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence with A & M Oliver Properties, LLC, and with Gary W. Straughn (see Deed Book 1706 Page 541), North 22 degrees 35 minutes 09 seconds West 354.25 feet to an existing iron stake; thence the same course continued, North 22 degrees 35 minutes 09 seconds West 20.22 feet to a stake on the Southeastern right-of-way line of N. C. Highway No. 403 (Faison Highway); thence with the Southeastern right-of-way line of N. C. Highway No. 403 (Faison Highway) (30 feet from the center line), North 67 degrees 24 minutes 46 seconds East 214.47 feet to a stake; thence with Straughn and with Robinson & Son Machine, Inc. (see Deed Book 1033 Page 781), South 22 degrees 31 minutes 20 seconds East 20.00 feet to an existing iron stake; thence

the same course continued, South 22 degrees 31 minutes 20 seconds East 124.75 feet to an existing iron pipe, South 33 degrees 04 minutes 38 seconds West 64.23 feet to an existing concrete monument, and South 21 degrees 38 minutes 38 seconds East 273.99 feet to an existing iron stake; thence the same course continued with Walter Thomas Robinson (see Deed Book 1125 Page 396) and with Ellen R. Jones (see Deed Book 1524 Page 721), and with Thomas W. Robinson (see Deed Book 1505 Page 840), South 21 degrees 38 minutes 38 seconds East 223.09 feet to an existing concrete monument on the Northwestern right-of-way line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence with the Northwestern right-of-way line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road) (30 feet from the center line), South 44 degrees 57 minutes 44 seconds West 162.36 feet to a stake, South 45 degrees 08 minutes 13 seconds West 148.87 feet to a stake, South 44 degrees 23 minutes 12 seconds West 153.54 feet to a stake, and South 42 degrees 26 minutes 52 seconds West 121.99 feet to a stake; thence South 53 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds East 30.10 feet to a stake in the center line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence the same course continued with Blonnie D. Carr (see Deed Book 1424 Page 563 and Map Book 01 Page 391) and Jennifer T. Pope (see Deed Book 1592 Page 497 "Tract No. 4" and Map Book 32 Page 61), South 53 degrees 01 minutes 12 seconds East 166.36 feet to a stake, South 16 degrees 21 minutes 49 seconds East 156.25 feet to a stake, and South 24 degrees 03 minutes 49 seconds West 176.65 feet to a stake; thence again with Pope, and with Lossie Underwood (see Deed Book 1342 Page 348), North 60 degrees 27 minutes 59 seconds West 328.82 feet to a stake in the center line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence the same course continued, North 60 degrees 27 minutes 59 seconds West 30.00 feet to a stake on the Northwestern right-of-way line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence with the Northwestern right-of-way line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road), South 29 degrees 26 minutes 32 seconds West 171.42 feet to a stake and South 28 degrees 39 minutes 54 seconds West 170.13 feet to a stake; thence crossing Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road) to and with Jennifer T. Pope and Liberty Propane Operations, LLC (see Deed Book 1575 Page 984), South 61 degrees 08 minutes 38 seconds East 305.27 feet to an existing iron stake, South 28 degrees 51 minutes 22 seconds West 189.29 feet to a stake, and North 56 degrees 43 minutes 23 seconds West 275.28 feet to a stake in the center line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence the same course continued, North 56 degrees 43 minutes 23 seconds West 30.14 feet to a stake on the Northwest right-of-way line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence with the Northwestern right-of-way line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road), South 26 degrees 02 minutes 29 seconds West 115.87 feet to a stake, South 21 degrees 59 minutes 40 seconds West 151.55 feet to a stake, South 18 degrees 21 minutes 54 seconds West 152.26 feet to a stake, and South 15 degrees 54 minutes 41 seconds West 119.12 feet to a stake; thence South 75 degrees 40 minutes 27 seconds East 30.01 feet to a stake in the center line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence the same course continued with Jennifer T. Pope and with Rufus F. Smith (see Deed Book 555 Page 621), South 75 degrees 40 minutes 27 seconds East 164.27 feet to a stake; thence with Smith, and with Steven F. McNeel Construction (see Deed Book 1719 Page 221) and with the existing city limit line, South 14 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds West 60.14 feet to a stake and North 75 degrees 37 minutes 59 seconds West 165.15 feet to a stake in the center line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence North 68 degrees 39 minutes 21 seconds West 30.19 feet to a stake on the Northwestern right-of-way line of Secondary Road No. 1751 (Pugh Road); thence with Estal Davis Simmons (see Deed Book 1124 Page 898, Deed Book 1124 Page 901, Deed Book 1145 Page 156, and Deed Book 1270 Page 740), North 74 degrees 41 minutes 42 seconds West 31.26 feet to a stake; thence around a curve to the left (said curve being parallel to and 350 feet Northeast of the

center line of U. S. Highway No. 701 and continuing with the existing city limit line) having a radius of 3365.58 feet for an arc distance of 1478.59 feet (chord = North 24 degrees 55 minutes 34 seconds West 1466.73 feet) to a stake in the line of the Sampson Tobacco Warehouse, Inc. property (see Deed Book 980 Page 156); thence with the existing city limit line and with the Sampson Tobacco Warehouse, Inc. property, North 88 degrees 09 minutes 35 seconds East 89.01 feet to a stake and North 09 degrees 20 minutes 25 seconds West 383.04 feet to the point of **BEGINNING**, containing 37.43 acres, more or less, as computed from deeds and maps of record during January, 2012 by Owen Surveying, Inc., with all lines correct in their angular relation and relative to N. C. Grid North (1983 N. A. Datum).

Section 2. A public informational meeting on the question of annexing the above described territories will be held at the Clinton City Hall Auditorium at 7:00 pm on March 27, 2012, at which time plans for extending services to said territory will be explained and all residents and property owners in said territories and all residents of the City of Clinton will be given an opportunity to ask questions and receive answers regarding the proposed annexations.

Section 3. A public hearing on the question of annexing the above described territories will be held at the Clinton City Hall Auditorium at 7:00 pm on May 1, 2012, at which time plans for extending services to said territories will be explained and all residents and property owners in the said territories and all residents of the City of Clinton will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Section 4. A report of plans for extending services to the above described territories shall be made available for public inspection at the office of the Clinton City Clerk at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the public informational meeting. The statement of financial impact contained in the report shall be delivered to the Sampson County Board of Commissioners at least thirty (30) days prior the date of the public informational meeting.

Section 5. A legible map of the areas to be annexed and a list of persons holding freehold interests in property in the area to be annexed who have been identified shall be posted in the office of the City Clerk at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the public informational meeting.

Section 6. Notice of the public informational meeting and public hearing shall be given by (publication/posting) and by first class mail, as required by G.S. 160A-49.

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DESCRIPTION OF
ANNEXATION AREA 2
US HIGHWAY 403
PROPERTY TO BE ANNEXED BY
CITY OF CLINTON
located in

NORTH CLINTON TOWNSHIP, SAMPSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

BEGINNING at a stake on the Southeastern right-of-way line of N. C. Highway No. 403 (Faison Highway), said stake being located North 74 degrees 15 minutes 33 seconds East 1186.14 feet and North 67 degrees 30 minutes 08 seconds East 316.18 feet from N. C. G. S. Station "Tractor" having N. C. Grid Coordinates of X = 2,205,807.990 and Y = 457,967,1713 (1983 N. A. Datum); running thence from said beginning point with the Southeastern right-of-way line of N. C. Highway No. 403 (Faison Highway), North 67 degrees 30 minutes 08 seconds East 60.01 feet to a stake; thence South 22 degrees 36 minutes 06 seconds East 20.74 feet to an existing iron stake, a joint corner with Sampson County Meter Vault (see Deed Book 1458 Page 827); thence with Sampson County Meter vault and with Lawrence & Faye Melson (see Deed Book 1465 Page 994 and Map Book 44 Page 79), South 22 degrees 36 minutes 06 seconds East 301.69 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence with Junious & Trudy Tyndall (see Deed Book 1593 Page 88 and Map Book 59 Page 84), South 69 degrees 11 minutes 03 seconds West 59.86 feet to an existing iron stake and North 22 degrees 38 minutes 05 seconds West 299.88 feet to an existing iron stake; thence the same course continued, North 22 degrees 38 minutes 05 seconds West 20.79 feet to the point of **BEGINNING**, containing 0.44 acre, more or less, as surveyed during April & May, 2009 by Owen Surveying, Inc., with all lines correct in their angular relation and relative to N. C. Grid North (1983 N. A. Datum).

This tract or parcel of land is the same property conveyed by deed dated June 26, 1961 from J. H. Bradshaw and wife, Mary C. Bradshaw to Lennie I. House and wife, Willa Dean House recorded in Deed Book 722 Page 175 of the Sampson County Registry.

A more complete description of the above property is shown on a map entitled: "Survey for City of Clinton (Contiguous Annexation Ordinance #2008.11.1 Effective Date January 1, 2009" prepared by Owen Surveying, Inc., dated May 15, 2009, a copy of said map being incorporated herein, and by reference made a part hereof. Said map also being recorded in Map Book 69 Page 56 of the Sampson County Registry.

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in the said territories and all residents of the City of Clinton will be given an opportunity to be heard.

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ORDINANCE—BUDGET

Assistant City Manager-Finance Director Shawn Purvis briefed City Council regarding this item. He stated these budget amendments are primarily to keep the general ledger balanced in various line items. He stated that the allocation of fund balance from the General Fund accounts for a reimbursement to the County for the Planning Department. He further stated that the allocation of retained earnings from the Water and Sewer Fund is to complete major repairs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He asked City Council to approve the budget amendments.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Becton, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, the following amendment **#2012.04.01** was unanimously adopted:

Budget Ordinance Amendment Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Budget

#2012.04.01

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Clinton, NC, that the following amendment be made to the Annual Budget Ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, and amended on September 6, 2011; October 4, 2011; November 1, 2011; December 6, 2011; January 3, 2012; February 7, 2012; and March 6, 2012, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Total</u>
10-4900-0201	Temporary Salaries		\$5,000	
10-4900-0400	Professional Services	\$5,000		
10-4900-1402	Board Expense		\$625	
10-4900-1500	Maint. & Repair/Building	\$1,000		

10-4900-2600	Legal Advertising	\$625		
10-4900-3300	Departmental Supplies		\$1,000	
10-5100-0200	Salaries	\$11,000		
10-5100-0202	HUD Officer	\$2,000		
10-5100-5401	Workers Comp		\$13,000	
10-5300-0200	Salaries	\$4,500		
10-5300-5401	Workers Comp		\$4,500	
10-5600-0200	Salaries		\$3,500	
10-5600-0201	Temporary Salaries	\$3,500		
10-6200-1300	Utilities		\$10,000	
10-6200-1500	Maint. & Repair/Building		\$2,000	
10-6200-1600	Maint. & Repair/Fields	\$10,000		
10-6200-4500	Contract Services	\$2,000		
10-6400-0200	Salaries		\$2,000	
10-6400-0201	Temporary Salaries	\$2,000		
10-6600-5700	Miscellaneous	\$19,000		
		\$60,625	\$41,625	\$19,000

Section 2. The revenues are to be changed as follows:

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Total</u>
10-3990-0000	Fund Balance	\$19,000		
		\$19,000	0	\$19,000

Section 3. To amend the Water and Sewer Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Total</u>
30-8100-0201	Temporary Salaries		\$3,000	
30-8200-1600	Maint. & Repair/Equipment	\$85,000		
30-8300-0200	Salaries	\$3,000		
		\$88,000	\$3,000	\$85,000

Section 4. The revenues are to be changed as follows:

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Total</u>
30-3990-0000	Fund Balance	\$85,000		

\$85,000	0	\$85,000
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Section 5. To amend the Downtown Special Tax District Fund, the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

Account #	Account Title	Increase	Decrease	Total
71-6910-2600	Advertising	\$1,000		
71-6910-7300	Projects		\$1,000	
		\$1,000	\$1,000	0

Section 6. Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the City Clerk, City Manager, and Finance Director for their direction.

CITY OF CLINTON TRAVEL POLICY

Assistant City Manager – Finance Director Shawn Purvis presented the revised Travel Policy to City Council for adoption. He stated the current policy is ten-years old. He stated that it has been revised and submitted to all department heads for their input. He further stated that this policy also applies to City Council’s travel.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Councilmember Becton, the Revised City of Clinton Travel Policy was approved unanimously.

REPORTS

The City Council action, finance, police, personnel, fire, and code reports were acknowledged.

City Manager Connet informed Mayor and City Council that the Police Chief Search will begin soon. He stated that they will follow the same process that the City used to hire Police and Fire Chiefs over the last ten years. He further stated that he hopes to present the new Police Chief to City Council at the September city council meeting.

City Manager Connet stated that interviews for the Fire Chief will begin on next week, April 18th. He informed City Council that the Water Purchase Contract Amendment with Sampson County has been received and now the contract is current. He asked City Council to rescind a previous Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of Certain Personal Property By the Method Known as “GovDeals” and to approve another Resolution Authorizing the Rescinding of the Disposition of Certain Personal Property By the Method Known as “GovDeals”.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Becton, and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, it passed unanimously to add the abovementioned resolutions to the April 9, 2012 agenda.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Becton, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RESCINDING OF THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY BY THE METHOD KNOWN AS:
“GOVDEALS”**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Clinton, NC desires to rescind the disposal of certain surplus property of the City of Clinton;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that:

- (1) The following described property is hereby rescinded as beforehand declared to be surplus to the needs of the City of Clinton on March 6, 2012:

Year	Make/Model	VIN #
1996	Ford Ranger	1FTZF1724XNA74196
1999	Ford F-150	1FTCR1OU5TUB91505

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY BY THE METHOD KNOWN AS:
“GOVDEALS”**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Clinton, NC desires to dispose of certain surplus property of the City of Clinton;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that:

- (2) The following described property is hereby declared to be surplus to the needs of the City of Clinton:

Year	Make/Model	VIN #
1999	Ford F-150	1FTZF1724XNA74196

- (3) The Human Resource Manager is authorized to receive in behalf of the City Council of the City of Clinton bids via GovDeals for the purchase of the described property.

- (4) GovDeals will begin the sale of the described property on or about April 11, 2012 and will continue the sale until the described property is sold. The terms of sale shall be Pay Pal, credit card, or wire transfer.
- (5) The City Clerk will not cause a notice of the electronic public auction to be published in accordance with G. S. 160A-266 (c).
- (5) The highest bid, if it complies with the terms of sale, may be accepted by the Human Resource Manager and the sale consummated.

OTHER BUSINESS

Public Works Director Vreugdenhil introduced Lisa Osthues to City Council. He stated that she has been employed with the City approximately one year and we are very fortunate to have her. She works within the Wastewater Treatment Plant and her title is Environmental Program Manager. City Council welcomed her wholeheartedly.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Starling, with the consensus of the City Council, continued this item until the May 1, 2012 city council meeting.

CONTINUATION/ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Harris, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, it passed unanimously to continue this meeting until April 16, 2012 at 6:00 PM. So that, the Presentation of the Water Plant Expansion Project might take place.

Elaine F. Hunt, MMC, City Clerk

Lew Starling, Mayor

ADJOURNED AT 8:09 PM.