CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARENDON, TEXAS REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 11, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Fangman at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor Jacob Fangman

Mayor Pro Tem Larry Jeffers Alderman Eulaine McIntosh Alderman Tommy Hill Alderman Terri Floyd Alderman John Lockhart Administrator Brian Barboza City Secretary Machiel Covey

OTHERS PRESENT:

Gene Hommel, Kathy Hommel, Michael Keough, Ken McIntosh, Chelsea Weldie, Chanel Silva, Lilly Silva, Lizzy Flanagan, Geni Arndt, Peggy Thomas, Kimberly Parker, Paul Reynolds, Mandy

Smith, Mark Lee Dickson, and Roger Estlack

INVOCATION:

Alderman Hill

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chelsea Weldie came to speak about agenda item #4, regarding the Ordinance Outlawing Abortion, Declaring Clarendon a Sanctuary City for the Unborn. Ms. Weldie read the seventeen pages and is requesting no action be taken until further research can be done. There are many things to take into consideration and she does not believe it is in the scope of the city to implement. She suggested having the city attorney review the ordinance before any action is taken. Ms. Weldie also asked the Council to consider supporting other programs needed in our community like a GED program, an alternate high school education program, or a driver's education program. There is no basic health education program in the school other than abstinence. There are other issues that need to be addressed in our community than persecuting scared young women.

Reverend Ken McIntosh also came to speak about agenda item #4. He has three things he would like the council to consider. First, he is here as a minister to demonstrate that there are ministers for choice. Secondly, there are a number of church denominations that support choice including the denomination pictured on the council chamber wall, the episcopal church. Third, he requests the council table any decision-making tonight. Just listen and discuss tonight, he would like the opportunity to come back and make a more thorough presentation like the seventeen pages presented as to why this ordinance should be opposed.

AUTHORIZATIONS BY CITY COUNCIL:

23-084

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- Meeting Minutes for Regular Meeting March 14, 2024
- Meeting Minutes for Called Meeting March 20, 2024
- Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department Report
- Donley County Commissioners Report
- Burton Memorial Library Report
- Clarendon Municipal Court Report
- Animal Control Report
- Code Compliance Report
- Clarendon Chamber of Commerce Quarterly H.O.T. Report
- Clarendon Economic Development Quarterly H.O.T. Report

A motion was made by Alderman Lockhart and seconded by Alderman McIntosh to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. With each alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

23-085

2. Discussion and possible action on the Council Report (List of Bills).

A motion was made by Alderman McIntosh and seconded by Alderman Hill to approve the Council Report (List of Bills) as presented. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

23-086

3. Discussion and possible action on the Statement of Revenue and Expense.

A motion was made by Alderman Floyd and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve the Statement of Revenue and Expense as presented. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

23-087

4. <u>Discussion and possible action on an Ordinance Outlawing Abortion, Declaring Clarendon a Sanctuary City for the Unborn, Making Various Provisions and Findings, Providing for Severability, and Establishing an Effective Date.</u>

No action taken by Council.

23-088

Discussion and possible action on support for the establishment of a Regional Security
 Operations Center (RSOC) to be located at Texas Tech University.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jeffers and seconded by Alderman McIntosh to approve sending a letter of support for the establishment of a Regional Security Operations Center (RSOC) to be located at Texas Tech University. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

23-089

6. <u>Discussion and possible on a request from Donley County Senior Citizens to close Gorst St</u> from the alley between 3rd and 4th to the alley between main and Gorst to about thirty feet east of Gorst on 4th for That Senior Thang FAM FEST on Saturday June 1st from 1 p.m. until 10 p.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jeffers and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve a request from Donley County Senior Citizens to close Gorst St from the alley between 3rd and 4th to the alley between main and Gorst to about thirty feet east of Gorst on 4th for That Senior Thang FAM FEST on Saturday June 1st from 1 p.m. until 10 p.m. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

<u>23-090</u>

7. Discussion and possible action on a request from Donley County Senior Citizens to use the area east of the pool and the draw behind the Senior Citizens Storage Building, to connect a water hose at the pool to keep close to the fire pits for safety and to have the street cleaned the week before the event.

A motion was made by Alderman Lockhart and seconded by Alderman Hill to approve a request from Donley County Senior Citizens to use the area east of the pool and the draw behind the Senior Citizens Storage Building, to connect a water hose at the pool to keep close to the fire pits for safety and to have the street cleaned the week before the event. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion.

23-091

8. <u>Discussion and possible action on approving the City of Clarendon Investment Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2024.</u>

A motion was made by Alderman McIntosh and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jeffers to approve the City of Clarendon Investment Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2024, as presented. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

23-092

9. Discussion and possible action on pergola being placed back at 116 S. Kearny Street.

No action was taken by Council.

23-093

 Discussion and possible action on Revenue Received from Donley County for Library Department.

No action taken by Council.

23-094

11. Discussion and possible action to dissolve Municipal Court Department.

No action taken by Council.

23-095

12 <u>Discussion and possible action on quotes received for Jet Machine and pay from Rolling Stock Account for Wastewater Department.</u>

A motion was made by Alderman Lockhart and seconded by Alderman Hill to purchase a new Harbin Jet Machine for sixty-eight thousand nine hundred thirty-two (\$68,932) dollars with trade in. With each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

23-096

13 Discussion and possible action on building improvements at City Hall.

No action taken by Council.

23-097

- 14. Discussion and possible action on the City Administrators Report.
 - Update on Employees
 - Additional Damage to Park Wall
 - Clarendon Aquatic Center
 - Credit Card Account for City Secretary; Different Bank
 - Housing Development at 800 Block of Leroy St.
 - US 287 Drainage Ditch Project by TxDOT
 - Reimbursement from TDA for Overcharge by city for CSG
 - PEP 2024/2025 Letter of Agreement Renewal with PRPC
 - RFP 5-24 Broadband for Highspeed Internet Proposal Due Date May 7, 2024.
 - Material for Front Street

MAYOR COMMENTS: Mayor Fangman thanked everyone for being at the meeting. He read a "Thank You" card from the Raines family for the flowers sent to the funeral service. He also read the "Thank You" letter from Donley County Senior Citizens for support with the Meals-on-Wheels Program.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Alderman Lockhart thanked everyone for coming and seeing what council does and for taking time to be involved with the community. Alderman Hill thanked each and everyone for attending the meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no further business on the agenda, a motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jeffers and seconded by Alderman Lockhart to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m., with each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.

Jacob Fangman, Mayor

Attest:

Machiel Covey City Secretary