CLINTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 9, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: 2267 N 1500 W, Clinton, UT 84015

Mayor: Brandon Stanger

City Council: Spencer Arave, Jennifer Christensen, Marie Dougherty, Dane Searle, and Gary Tyler

Staff: Police Chief Shawn Stoker, Public Works Director David Williams, Fire Chief Jason Poulsen, Recreation Director Brooke Mitchell, Treasure Steve Hubard, Finance Director Corey Christensen, Deputy Recorder Amy Durrans, and Recorder Lisa Titensor

Attendees: Dereck Bauer, James Moffett, Walter Ruiz, Dan Evans, Jeannie Evans, Greg Allen, Kirby Crowley, Carol Hoffman, Cameron Frick, David Hoffman, Camden Adams, Mike Bastian, Dris Danson, Dave & Sharon Steele, Blake & Kristin Stoker, Karen Lyndsay

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stanger called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

The Police Department and Fire Department held an honor guard and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Monica Hanny sang the National Anthem.

Councilmember Arave provided an invocation.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Stanger, Councilmembers Arave, Dougherty, Searle and Tyler were all present.

City Recorder Lisa Titensor administered Councilmember Jennifer Christensen's oath of office.

PUBLIC INPUT

David Hoffman presented the Council with an excerpt of Utah State Code 19-8-16: Trails and Active Transportation Systems. He recommended modifying Clinton's self-propelled transportation ordinance to mirror Utah Code 41-6a-102. He stated that many electric vehicles marketed as e-bikes exceed legal wattage and speed limits, creating safety

concerns. He shared his personal experience of logging 1,600+ trail miles and recommended pavement-stenciled speed-limit signs at the entrance of the trails.

James Moffitt stated he is a retired US Army Master Sergeant. He supports aligning with state law and he emphasized that education over punitive enforcement would be more effective. He stated he has observed widespread misunderstanding of wattage and device classifications and encouraged consistent communication.

Cameron Frick addressed the budget. He is concerned that the City chose to go to bond for water improvements. He feels there could have been more proactive financial planning and bonding strategy for water infrastructure. He asserted that a temporary $12 water fee over three years could have avoided over $1 million in interest. He challenged the accuracy of revenue forecasting and encouraged earlier updates to budget assumptions.

Council Discussion:

- Councilmember Dougherty asked staff to clarify sales-tax projections.
- Mayor Stanger acknowledged long-known state roadway expansions and their monetary impact, noting saved funds but agreeing proactive planning must continue.

Dan Evans expressed concern that Planning Commission appointments were occurring after an election; he believes the appointments should be left to the incoming administration. He feels the timing could erode public confidence.

Mayor Stanger clarified the vacancy history and stated the timing was based on resignations and the need to maintain a quorum.

Greg Allen stated he supports regulation on e-bikes, but he emphasized that the lack of enforcement is the primary issue. He shared a personal near-miss experience and encouraged trail safety presence.

Councilmember-elect Chris Danson pointed out that another consideration for the ordinance should be that some residents could be potentially using e-bikes as medical or mobility aids and they should remain accommodated.

CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Minutes: November 11, 2025 and November 18, 2025 Special City Council Meetings
b. Approval of Accounts Payable: November 2025
c. Approval of New Voter Participation Area Map

Clinton City recently annexed property previously unincorporated in Davis County, which was recorded on September 22, 2025. The municipal boundary was moved to the parcel boundaries, so Davis County adjusted the precinct boundary to match. Attached to the staff report is a map indicating where this took place. The section in red will now be part of the

Clinton A voter participation area. This new map is required to be officially adopted by the City Council.

d. Ordinance 25-07, Adoption of the 2006 Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Code

HB 48 requires municipalities to adopt the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) 2006 code. The State of Utah is responsible for High-Risk Mapping for the State, municipalities are also required to adopt a 2006 WUI Code and establish a GIS mapping with WUI areas within city limits.

e. Resolution 16-25, Davis County 3rd quarter Transportation grant – 2300 N Realignment agreement

The 2300 North project includes the reconstruction, widening, and realignment of the roadway from the Cranefield Roundabout to approximately 4000 West in Clinton City. The continued development in the area has necessitated improvements to the roadway that will enhance mobility for all modes of transportation. The project includes the installation of curb and gutter, sidewalk, lighting, and roadway drainage within the corridor. The project will also realign the roadway to eliminate a sharp curve. The failing asphalt in the Cranefield Roundabout will be replaced with concrete. Ivory Development will participate in some of the costs.

MOTION: Councilmember Christensen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Searle seconded the motion. Councilmember Arave, Christensen, Dougherty, Searle, and Tyler voted in favor.

BUSINESS ITEMS

OATH OF OFFICE FOR APPOINTMENT OF CITY COUNCILMEMBER JENNIFER CHRISTENSEN

This item was addressed at the beginning of the meeting to allow Ms. Christensen to participate in the meeting.

ORDINANCE 25-08, SELF PROPELLED TRANSPORTATION

Mayor Stanger has requested revisions to the Clinton City Code relating to the operation of small, motorized transportation devices—including electric bicycles, scooters, EPAMDs, and similar devices—within City parks, open spaces, and trail systems. These recommended updates are intended to address ongoing issues related to park safety, turf and facility damage, and enforcement gaps that have been observed in recent months.

Staff has also discussed that, if changes such as these are adopted, the City could move forward with developing and installing signage to support compliance and enforcement efforts. However, because the Utah State Legislature is expected to consider bills related to small, motorized transportation devices in the upcoming session, staff advises caution before printing or installing any signage until the State's final direction is known.

Councilmember Tyler stated he feels this is a good ordinance for Clinton City. He feels it would be in the city's best interest to follow the State Code.

Mr. Cahoon explained he has consulted with the Police Chief and Parks and Recreation Directors, and they all agree it would be nice to have the requirements for this ordinance consolidated into one section of the City Code. He went on to explain that current State Code does provide the city with some options for enforcement.

Councilmember Arave commented he is in favor of passing an ordinance but wonders if due to the time of year, it may be appropriate to wait to see what decisions the Legislature makes in January.

Mayor Stanger commented there will likely be a lot more e-bikes after Christmas.

Council Discussion:

- Councilmember Tyler supported adopting the ordinance now and aligning with state definitions. He emphasized the need for civil—not criminal—enforcement.
- Councilmember Arave acknowledged the need for regulation but questioned adopting before the upcoming state legislative session; he worries that premature adoption could require later amendments.
- Councilmember Dougherty raised concerns about definition clarity, public notice, and ordinance structure. She would like to see more explicit cross-references in penalty sections.
- Councilmember Christensen asked for clarification of whether the ordinance applied to e-bikes, scooters, and one-wheels; she affirmed the importance of matching state terminology.
- Councilmember Searle supports civil enforcement and noted trail-use conflicts appear to be increasing.

The Council identified Utah State Code References to incorporate into the ordinance 41-6A-1115.5, Electric Assisted Bicycles Restrictions and Penalties and the definitions in 41-6A-102 to follow along with using the Clinton City administrative penalty fees of

$125, $250, and $500 in subsequent for any citation so that it is not a criminal issue but a civil issue.

MOTION: Councilmember Tyler moved to adopt Ordinance 25-08 following Utah State Code 41-6A-1115.5 Electric Assisted Bicycles Restrictions and Penalties and 41-6A-102 definitions and incorporate civil enforcement via the nuisance fine fee schedule ($125 / $250 / $500). Councilmember Dougherty seconded the motion. Voting by roll call is as follows: Councilmember Arave, aye; Councilmember Dougherty, aye; Councilmember Searle, aye; Councilmember Christensen, aye, Councilmember Tyler, aye.

RESOLUTION 15-25, WEST CLINTON ANNEXATION - ACCEPTANCE OF PETITION – APPROXIMATELY 2425 N 4500 W – 155 ACRES

City Manager Cahoon reviewed the annexation history and explained that due to elapsed time since the initial submission and the addition of new petitioners, restarting the statutory process was required. Property owner Mike Bastian intends to develop ±12 acres; the remaining acreage may develop later.

Council Discussion:

- Councilmembers affirmed that Clinton already provides certain services to the area, making annexation logical.
- Councilmember Dougherty stated that counties are not structured to provide long-term municipal services and annexation supports proper planning.
- Councilmember Searle noted ongoing Sewer District review of the region.
- Mayor Stanger emphasized sewer access benefits and respect for private property rights.

MOTION: Councilmember Dougherty moved to accept the annexation petition and authorize the City Recorder to certify the petition and move forward with the annexation process. Councilmember Searle seconded the motion. Voting by roll call is as follows: Councilmember Arave, aye; Councilmember Dougherty, aye; Councilmember Searle, aye; Councilmember Christensen, aye, Councilmember Tyler, aye.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Stanger explained there have been a few vacancies on the Planning Commission that have not been filled due to the election and now there is an additional vacancy to fill Councilmember Christensen's now vacated spot. He would like to appoint the following individuals to the Clinton City Planning Commission:

Trent Williams for a term ending December 31, 2026
Gregory Allen for a term ending December 31, 2028
Dave Jones – reappoint for a term ending December 31, 2028
Chad Hansen - reappoint to a term ending December 31, 2028

MOTION: Councilmember Dougherty moved to ratify Mayor Stanger's appointments as identified above to serve on the Clinton City Planning Commission. Councilmember Christensen seconded the motion. Voting by roll call is as follows: Councilmember Arave, aye; Councilmember Christensen, aye; Councilmember Dougherty aye; Councilmember Searle, aye; Councilmember Tyler, aye.

OTHER BUSINESS

Planning Commission Report – The last meeting of the Planning Commission was cancelled.

City Manager Report

- Clinton will be dissolving a current shared contract with Clearfield and West Point for Emergency Management and put the Fire Chief over the program.

- He reported on the upcoming Holiday Schedule: Christmas Eve – City Hall closes at noon and will be closed on Christmas Day; New Years Eve - the City will close at noon to walk in traffic to attend a City Christmas party.
- The City is In the middle of transitioning to a new phone system.
- He gave a presentation to Mayor Stanger and Councilmember Gary Tyler in recognition of their service.

STAFF REPORTS

No additional reports were presented from Public Works, Fire or Police.

Recreation Director Brooke Mitchell reported on the success of the annual Christmas event.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- Councilmember Arave
  - RAP Tax Committee is holing a holiday spirit contest.
- Councilmember Dougherty
  - The Mosquito Abatement's Truth in Taxation public hearing will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2025.
- Councilmember Searle
  - Expressed appreciation for serving with all the Council.
- Councilmember Tyler
  - Expressed appreciation to the city for the opportunity to serve on the City Council. He appreciates the sacrifice and service to others including appreciation for the future service of the newly elected officials.
- Councilmember Christensen
  - Nothing currently.
- Mayor Stanger expressed appreciation to his wife and family for their service alongside him during his term as Mayor. He appreciates staff and the community and the relationships he has built.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Tyler moved to adjourn. Councilmember seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.