

ORDINANCE NO. 2003-06

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 91-192 AND ESTABLISHING A PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE CITY OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Clinton, Arkansas, established a Parks and Recreation Commission pursuant to Ordinance 91-192; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now believes it would be in the best interests of the City of Clinton to manage its parks and recreation facilities as a separate city department; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it would be in the best interests of the management of its parks and recreation system to provide for continuing citizen input and advice as to the maintenance and operation of the City's parks and recreation system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, ARKANSAS:

Section 1:

Ordinance No. 91-192 is hereby repealed in its entirety effective immediately upon passage of this Ordinance.

Section 2:

The Parks and Recreation System of the City of Clinton, Arkansas is hereby established as a separate department of the City of Clinton. The Mayor of Clinton, Arkansas, shall act as head of the department until such time as the Council provides for, and allocates funds for, a paid position as head of the department, either full or part time, and such position is actually filled.

Section 3:

There is hereby established a Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to be comprised

of seven (7) members who reside within the city limits of the City of Clinton and who shall serve three (3) year terms as provided herein. Potential members shall be proposed by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority vote of the City Council.

Section 4:

Positions 1 and 2 shall serve for an initial term of one (1) year. Positions 3 and 4 shall serve for an initial term of two (2) years. Positions 5, 6 and 7 shall serve for an initial term of three (3) years. Each member may be reappointed for another full three (3) year term provided that no member shall serve more than two (2) consecutive 3-year terms, unless they have been off of the Advisory Committee for a period of one (1) year.

Section 5:

The seven (7) members of the Advisory Committee shall meet at least once per month on a regularly set day and time which they shall decide. They shall elect one of their own as Chairperson of the Advisory Committee who shall serve as Chairperson for a period of one (1) year. The Chairperson may be reelected as Chairperson by the members of the Advisory Committee.

Section 6:

The members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee shall be subject to the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act as it is now codified or later amended. The Advisory Committee may request assistance or legal opinions from the City Attorney as needed.

Section 7:

The Clerk or Recorder of the City of Clinton shall attend the meetings of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meetings for the purpose of keeping and maintaining minutes of said meetings.

Section 8:


The Advisory Committee shall continually review the operation of the Clinton Parks and Recreation System and shall provide recommendations to the Mayor and City Council as to any and all proposed land acquisitions, park usage, rules, park or recreation programs or other proposed expenditures for the Clinton Parks and Recreation System.

Section 9:

The effective administration of the Clinton Parks and Recreation System being necessary for the preservation and enhancement of the quality of life of the citizens and visitors to this City, and being essential to promote the public health and welfare of this City, and emergency is hereby declaring to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption, signing and publication as provided by law.

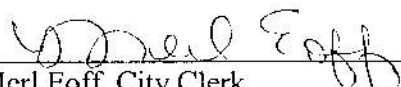
PASSED: June 12, 2003.

APPROVED:



Chip Ellis, Mayor

ATTEST:



Merl Eoff, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



Brad A. Cazort, City Attorney