

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 9, 2015

COUNCIL:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provost | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baumberger |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kolstad | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blackmon |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manchester | |

STAFF:

Chief Hastings Chief Cooper Clerk Storey City Attorneys Grow and Richardson PWD Martin

AGENDA CHANGES:

APPROVAL OF: MOTION BY BEADLES/NASH to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2015, Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: Stan Paul, 834 6th Street said he received complaints from a neighbor about parking on the street. He said there are signs designating parking restrictions along 6th Street. He said there is a loading zone taking up part of the available parking in front of his business location. He said it is seldom used. He asked to have that loading zone eliminated. He also commented that there are bicycles and skateboards used on the sidewalks. He asked that if the city is going to enforce the regulations that they be enforced equally for all locations.

Chief Hastings said council established a two-hour limit on 6th Street in 1981 by ordinance. It could be changed by council.

B. From Mayor: Mayor Warren appointed Warren Frudd to serve a six year term on the Civil Service Commission. The appointment is effective from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2020.

C. From Staff: Chief Cooper said there is a change being considered in the liability language on the mutual aid agreement with City of Lewiston. He expects to bring the final language back for approval at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Councilmember Provost reported the bills were reviewed and approved for payment. Total expenditures February 9, 2015 of \$390,238.96. MOTION BY PROVOST/BLACKMON to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Public Safety: Committee met February 3. Attending were Beadles, Provost, Jones, Braddock, Cooper, Hastings. Committee reviewed a request for street closure for Alive after Five events and recommends approval. Chief Hastings said that Commander Smith will be retiring at the end of March and will become the jail commander for Asotin County. Police officers will be attending training on dealing with mental health issues. Building security is being reviewed. The City was notified that the actions of an alert mail carrier got medical attention for a resident. Chief Cooper will see if a letter of appreciation is in order. The mutual aid agreement with Clearwater Paper is on the agenda for council action.

Public Works: Committee met on February 4. The biosolids agreement with Clearwater Composting is being finalized. There are some warranty issues at the WWTP that may require some additional expense to resolve. PWD Martin is looking at a service contract for the generator at the treatment plant. Quotes will be sought for trimming the trees on 6th Street. Concrete work is set to begin on the 13th St project February 23. Vern Owens of the Lewis Clark Bicycle Alliance attended.

Admin Committee: Councilmember Manchester said committee met earlier today. There was nothing to report.

Community Development: No meeting. Councilmember Kolstad said there is a bill in the legislature to provide revenue sharing of marijuana excise tax with entities that allow businesses in their jurisdictions. He requested that the committee review the decision to ban marijuana businesses in light of the potential funding. Committee will discuss.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution No. 2015-03, Authorizing Loan to the TBD

Resolution No. 2015-03 was read by title. MOTION BY NASH/BEADLES to approve Resolution No. 2015-03. Motion carried, 6-1, Kolstad opposed.

B. Loan Agreement with T BD

MOTION BY BEADLES/BLACKMON to authorize the mayor to sign the loan agreement. Motion carried, 6-1, Kolstad opposed.

C. Mutual Aid Agreement with Clearwater Paper

Chief Cooper said this agreement provides that the city respond to Clearwater Paper if called and they would reimburse the City for expenses. If Clearwater Paper responds to the City, there is no fee involved. The City also benefits by training with Clearwater Paper. Councilmember Blackmon asked about the term of agreement. Cooper said the agreement is for one year, with automatic renewal. MOTION BY NASH/BEADLES to approve the mutual aid agreement with Clearwater Paper. Motion carried.

D. Authorization for Street Closures, Alive after Five

MOTION BY BEADLES/NASH to authorize the street closures for Alive after Five from Elm to Chestnut Streets. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember Kolstad commented that given the City's current budget status it is arrogant and reckless of the council not to look at possible revenue options the legislature is considering for regulated marijuana. He said when we are talking about laying off firefighters and the council isn't interested in additional revenue to the tune of \$100,000 to \$200,000 he thinks that is reckless. Councilmember Provost said he appreciates Kolstad's feelings on this topic. But he remembers a point in time when Kolstad was financially engaged in the sale of marijuana. Kolstad challenged the statement saying he has never sold marijuana and is not involved in the sale of marijuana. Provost said that at one time Kolstad was recusing himself from discussion of marijuana regulation. Provost said he doesn't think financial gain is a reason to subject the residents to marijuana. Councilmember Beadles commented on all the damage alcohol has done to our society and he doesn't think adding another substance for the sake of tax dollars is something the council should consider. Councilmember Nash said he doesn't see any point in discussing the topic until the legislature has made a decision.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council went into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss litigation. Anticipated length is session is 5 minutes with no decisions to be made as a result. Councilmember Baumberger left the meeting. Council returned to open session at 7:35.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Vickie Storey, City Clerk

Kathleen A. Warren, Mayor

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| Total Fund Expenditures, 2/9/15 | Ck # 58455 - 58535 | \$102,292.71 |
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| Payroll, 1/31/15 | Ck #58408-58454 | \$287,946.25 |