CITY OF CLARKSTON
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
829 5th Street
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** **7:00 P.M.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
3. **AGENDA CHANGES:**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
   February 11, 2013 Regular Meeting

5. **COMMUNICATIONS:**
   - A. **From the Public** (Please limit comments to 3 minutes)
   - B. **From the Mayor**
   - C. **From Staff or Employees**

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
   - A. **Finance – Audit Report on Current Bills**
   - B. **Public Safety – Feb 19**
   - C. **Public Works – no meeting**
   - D. **Administrative/Intergovernmental – Feb 25**
   - E. **Community Development – no meeting**

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**
   - A. **Approval to Purchase Patrol Car (PS)**

9. **COUNCIL COMMENTS**
10. **MEDIA QUESTIONS**
11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
    Litigation

12. **ADJOURN:**

Time limits for addressing the council have been established by council direction. Presentations are limited to 15 minutes and public comments are limited to 3 minutes per person, per topic.

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CLARKSTONCITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 11, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Warren, 7:00 P.M.

COUNCIL:

☒	Beadles	☒	Nash
☒	Provost	☒	Baumberger
	Smith	☒	Blackmon
☒	Manchester		

STAFF:

☒ Chief Hastings	☒ Chief Cooper	☒ PWD Martin
☒ Clerk Storey	☒ City Attorney Grow	

AGENDA CHANGES:

Councilmember Beadles added a letter of commendation to Parkway Elementary under New Business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION BY BEADLES/NASH to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2013, Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public

Bernie McCabe, 1330 10th Street, said he has two topics. McCabe said he tried years ago to get an ordinance passed to set a percentage of degradation would require a contractor to return a street to its original condition when they perform work that disturbs the street surface. He commented that recent work to Highland Avenue has degraded the condition of the street and will require the taxpayers to pay for resurfacing. He suggested the council look into how the contractor can be required to be responsible.

McCabe distributed a written document to formalize a complaint of perjury against Officer Denny and a cover-up by Mayor Warren and Chief Hastings. McCabe said the minimum that should have been done with this complaint was an out of house investigation, and not doing so has usurped transparent government. McCabe said with a strong mayor form of government there is no system of checks and balances and there should have been an out of house review. McCabe said this is a formal complaint and he would like a written response that gives the results of the investigation. Councilmember Provost commented that he feels there has been enough discussion on this topic.

Provost asked what happened on Highland to bring up the topic. McCabe said Highland has been trenched due to utility work in a section about three feet wide from 11th Street to 13th Street. McCabe said the street was patched, but the roadway has been compromised.

B. From the Mayor

C. From Staff

PWD Martin said the council had given him authority to approve change orders of a certain amount. The contractor has lumped several smaller change orders together, which makes it above the limit he has been set. Councilmember Provost suggested the individual change orders should be listed with an approval date so there is a record of activity.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee:

Councilmember Provost reported all bills have been audited and approved. MOTION BY PROVOST/BLACKMON to authorize payment of the bills, total expenditures for February 11, 2013 of $1,078,947.82. Motion carried.

Public Safety: No meeting

Public Works:

Councilmember Nash said committee discussed the dredging project and the support letter the Port has requested. They discussed the budget amendment for Public Works computers. Both are agenda topics. Nash said committee is looking at the Safe Routes to School grant program.

Admin Committee:

Councilmember Manchester said committee met and discussed a litigation issue that will be discussed further in executive session.

Community Development:

Councilmember Beadles said that committee met with Barbara Bush who is requesting funding from the city to assist with Senior Games which will have about 200 participants. Committee would like to use some Lodging Tax funds. It is uncertain whether that would be an allowed use without further review.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance No. 1512, Ambulance Rates, 2nd Reading for Action

Ordinance No. 1512 was read by title. MOTION BY BAUMBERGER/NASH to adopt Ordinance No. 1512. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Letter of Support for Port re: Dredging

MOTION BY BAUMBERGER/NASH to authorize the letter of support for dredging of the river. Motion carried.

B. Budget Amendment Request, PW Computer Upgrade

PWD Martin said computers in the Public Works Department are experiencing issues related to the age of the computers. Martin has presented documentation to both Finance committee and Public Works Committee with the cost of replacing them. Martin asked for a budget amendment of $4,500 and authorization to order. MOTION BY NASH/BAUMBERGER to approve a budget amendment for $4,500 from the Vehicle/Equipment Replacement Fund and sign the order agreement. Motion carried.

C. Parkway Elementary Recognition

MOTION BY BEADLES/BLACKMON to present a certificate to Parkway Elementary for their accomplishments. Parkway was recognized as a School of Distinction recently. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Beadles said he and Chief Cooper attended an MPO meeting and discussed some of the City's needs for transportation improvements.

Councilmember Provost commented on a letter from a citizen referring to a uniformed officer making disparaging comments to the referees at a local ball game. Chief Hastings said he is aware of it and has addressed the issue. Hastings said there is more to the situation than was in the letter.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

Kerri Sandaine asked what the city's formal response to McCabe's complaint is. Councilmember Baumberger said there is no response yet, but said she will get a copy when it is ready.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council adjourned to executive session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss litigation. Anticipated length of session is 15 minutes. There will be no action as a result of the session.

Council returned to open session at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Vickie Storey, City Clerk

Kathleen A. Warren, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures, 2/11/13	CK #53043-53135	$806,784.80
Total Payroll, 1/31/13	CK #52980-53042	$272,163.02