

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

March 14, 2016

COUNCIL:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pierce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Campbell
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kolstad	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blackmon
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beauchamp	

STAFF:

Chief Hastings Chief Cooper Clerk Storey City Attorney Richardson PWD Martin

AGENDA CHANGES: Michelle Peters tourism report was removed as she will not be here tonight. Mayor Lawrence added litigation to the executive session.

APPROVAL OF: Minutes of the February 22, 2016, Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public:

Brian Shinn, 945 4th Street, Asotin County Commissioner, addressed the council about fireworks.

Kevin Nolette, 928 16th Street.

Tom Martin, 421 11th Street

B. From Mayor: Mayor Lawrence congratulated the Clarkston High School basketball team. Mayor Lawrence reported that she and Councilmember Campbell have been attending the legislative phone calls to support the city's needs. She has also attended Planning Commission meetings and attended the Fire District board meeting.

C. From Staff:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance: Councilmember Beadles reported the bills were reviewed and approved for payment. Total expenditures for February 29, 2016 bills of \$1,383.19 and the March 14, 2016 of \$425,006.58. MOTION BY BEADLES/KOLSTAD to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Public Safety: Councilmember Beadles reported on the March 1 meeting. Chief Hastings discussed the use of body cameras, which the department plans to begin using soon.

The annual agreement with the Corp of Engineers is on the agenda for approval.

Chief Cooper presented information on increasing ambulance rates. Committee recommends a 5% increase, which is on the agenda. Chief Cooper is working on the purchase of an exhaust system for the fire station. New designs of turnout gear was discussed.

Public Works: Councilmember Pierce reported on the March 1 meeting. Officials met with Sunshine Disposal to discuss curbside recycling. More analysis is needed. The stormwater capacity grant is on the agenda for the mayor's signature.

There is an ordinance on the agenda to correct an omission in the zoning matrix.

PWD Martin will talk with the Lion's Club about assisting with repairs to the barbecue area at Beachview as they are looking for a project. Beekeeping will be handled by Community Development.

Collier Electric is requesting a vacation of Maple Street. A hearing needs to be scheduled.

Discussed the sidewalk ordinance and how repairs might be funded. Legal opinion suggests that language requiring property owners to make repairs should be removed. The city needs to establish a roster for consultants. The alley encroachment at 628 4th Street is still in negotiation. The Department of Commerce will be presenting a planning seminar on May 17. Bridge Street improvements were discussed. Committee plans to put together a packet to present to WSDOT.

Admin Committee: Councilmember Blackmon reported on the March 1 meeting. Committee

discussed the process for replacing Councilmember Nash.

Community Development: Committee met on March 1. Councilmember Campbell said two requested permission to have a beehive at their residence. They were told that the City is reviewing the code on that topic. Tom Martin will present sample designs to the committee for community awards certificates.

Outside Organizations: Councilmember Nash reported on the Stormwater meeting held on March 1. Routine business was conducted.

Mayor Lawrence reported she attended the Planning Commission meeting. She said there have been no city residents attending regarding beekeeping. She asked Janet Marugg if she could provide information about how many Clarkston residents attended the informational class. The Mayor said she is in favor of beekeepers being certified.

Councilmember Kolstad said he attended a PTBA meeting. Plans for Saturday service is moving forward.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Michelle Peters, Tourism Report

Peters was not able to attend. The report will be rescheduled.

B. Contract with Corp of Engineers for Greenbelt Patrol

Chief Hastings explained that we have contracted to patrol the bike path for several years. This agreement has been updated to reflect current wages. MOTION BY BEADLES/KOLSTAD to approve the contract with the Corp of Engineers. Motion carried.

C. Ordinance No. 1561, Ambulance User Fee Increase – 1st Reading

Ordinance No. 1561 was read by title.

D. Stormwater Capacity Grant, Authorize Mayor's Signature

PWD Martin explained that this grant is provided by Department of Ecology. The City's grant is \$50,000 and is pooled with Asotin County and City of Asotin. MOTION BY NASH/PIERCE to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement. Motion carried.

E. Ordinance No. 1560, Amend Zoning Matrix - 1st Reading

Ordinance No. 1560 was read by title. PWD Martin that this ordinance corrects an error in a previous amendment to the matrix.

F. Resolution No. 2016-01, Set Hearing Date for Street Vacation Request

Resolution No. 2016-01 was read by title. PWD Martin explained that Collier Electric has purchased the Bruneel Tire building. A permit application for expansion revealed that the existing building encroaches into the right-of-way on Maple Street. Collier is requesting the north half of Maple Street be vacated. MOTION BY PIERCE/BEAUCHAMP to approve Resolution No. 2016-01 setting a public hearing for April 11. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Campbell said she did a ride-along with a police officer. She said it was a real eye opening experience.

Councilmember Nash congratulated the Clarkston basketball team on the state championship. He also thanked Kevin Nolette for his assistance with a recent fire.

Councilmember Kolstad reminded people to keep their vehicles locked to deter car prowls.

Councilmember Beauchamp said she is glad to see the police department taking training on sexual assault.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council went into executive session at 7:40 for ten minutes to discuss union negotiations and litigation. No decisions will be made as a result of the session. Council returned to open session at 7:50.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Vickie Storey, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures, 2/28/16	Ck # 61096, 20160201-04	\$1,383.19
Total Fund Expenditures, 3/14/16	Ck # 61097-99, 61149-61249	\$140,013.28
Payroll, 2/29/16	Ck #61100-48	\$284,993.30