

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 13, 2015

COUNCIL:

Beadles (approved absence)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nash
Provost (approved absence)		Baumberger (unapproved absence)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kolstad	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Blackmon
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manchester		

Motion by Blackmon / Nash, unexcused absence for Baumberger, passed.
Motion by Nash / Blackmon, excused absence for Beadles & Provost, passed.

STAFF:

Chief Hastings Chief Cooper Clerk Storey City Attorney Grow PWD Martin

AGENDA CHANGES: Nash pointed out Grant for 2nd Street camera with the Port was not on the agenda as indicated in the Safety Committee minutes. Hastings explained a postponement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION BY NASH/BLACKMON to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2015, Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: Alice White of 742 13th Street again praised the concrete contractor working on 13th Street. Also pointed out the terrible condition of the sidewalk in front of the old City Hall building. Nash asked if money was available. Martin responded by explaining there is some limited funding available.

B. From Mayor: Our Savior's Lutheran Church at 1115 13th Street will be distributing food Friday from 11 am to 1 pm and distribution volunteers are appreciated. Also, the Council has had great difficulty getting together with the County Commissioners to discuss the municipal court issue. With Mayor's approach, a date of April 20th at 5:45 was discussed as a possible joint meeting to be located at the County Annex building. Commissioner Shinn explained that they want to get this accomplished just as much as the City and they expect it to be a productive review of Councilor Beadles calculations. Mayor will prepare email notices to all parties involved.

C. From Staff:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Councilmember Manchester reported the bills were reviewed and approved for payment. Total expenditures for March 31, 2015 of \$569.59 and for April 13, 2015 of \$443,607.14. MOTION BY BLACKMON/KOLSTAD to approve the bills. Motion carried. Nash commented on the good explanations for the bills coming from Hastings office. Never a question.

Public Safety: Committee met April 7, 2015. Nash read the attached minutes to the meeting consisting of the following...

Attendance by Hastings, Cooper, Provost, Braddock, Beadles.

Hastings discussed the Washington State proposed public records disclosure changes for police body cameras. Also, research is being conducted by the Chief on hardware and software available for body cameras. Hastings would like to partner with Port of Clarkston for a grant application for a security camera at 2nd and Bridge. Chief Cooper discussed future items that need consideration for radio communications. The dispatch contract will need future action from the council. Cooper presented some of the highlights. Cooper discussed a concept for limited reimbursement for Clarkston Fire Dept. paramedic students. During a Fire Department business inspection, a door received damage. It will be repaired by the Fire Dept. A defective hydrant was detected during testing. It will be replaced. Blackmon questioned Chief Hastings about what the camera grant would provide.

Public Works: No meeting.

Admin Committee: Councilmember Manchester said committee met earlier today. There was discussion about the need for code of ethics requirements as per our insurance carrier. Further discussion was delayed until better attendance.

Community Development: No meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance No. 1537, Budget Amendment-2nd Reading for Action

MOTION BY NASH / MANCHESTER to approve Ordinance No. 1537. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Agreement with Ken Nagy, Hearing Examiner

PWD Martin explained the need and work with indemnity language to meet our needs. MOTION NASH / BLACKMON to approve the agreement with Nagy for Hearings Examiner services. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Kolstad brought up the terrible no smoking signs located in our parks that have recently been put up. Based on his graphic design background, he suggests council considers a re-design of the signs. He believes they could be more effective in reducing smoking in the parks. The presence of quotation marks on the sign and different font sizes are a problem. Possibly discuss with the producers of the signs for a remake to produce a better sign that better represents the city. PWD Martin requests some guidance as to whether there will be a sign review committee or to take the issue back to public works committee for review. Martin pointed out that public works committee meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month. Nash asked Kolstad if he could put something together for the next public works meeting and he said he could.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:27 to for a phone conference with Kevin Wesley to discuss union negotiations. Anticipated length of session is 15 minutes. No decisions will be made as a result of the session. Council returned to open session at 7:42 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Vickie Storey, City Clerk

Kathleen A. Warren, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures, 3/31/15	Ck #58806, 20150302-05, 07, 12	\$569.59
Total Fund Expenditures, 4/13/15	Ck #58807, 58858-58930	\$148,203.53
Payroll, 3/31/15	Ck #58808 – 58857	\$295,403.61