

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 12, 2013

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

COUNCIL:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beadles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nash
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provost	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baumberger
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blackmon
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manchester	

STAFF:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief Hastings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PWD Martin
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clerk Storey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney Grow

AGENDA CHANGES:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION BY BEADLES/NASH to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2013, Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. **From the Public:** Monika Lawrence, 1302 13th Street, spoke representing the League of Women's Voters. They are facilitating two meetings on the issue of Consolidated Government which will be on the November ballot. The League is not taking a position, but feels the issue is important and people need an opportunity to become more informed. There will be two forums, one on September 12 from 7 until 9 p.m. at City Hall and one on September 26 in Asotin. She said all of the freeholder candidates have been invited. The League is also sponsoring a candidate forum on October 5 at Clarkston City Hall from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m.

Brian Shinn, Asotin County Commissioner, addressed the council regarding the dispatch agreement. He commented that discussions have been ongoing for about a year. He said the commissioners sent the city a letter last week and are awaiting a response. He said the county feels that the result of the discussions are that the costs have been explained and the commissioners would like to move forward. Mayor Warren said that the city is still waiting for additional information from our attorney. The city expects to be ready to respond after the next council meeting.

B. **From the Mayor:** Mayor Warren commented on a rating in Consumer Reports that included Tri State Hospital. She said Tri State received a better than average rating on the quality of their surgery department.

C. **From Staff:**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Councilmember Provost reported the bills were reviewed and approved for payment. MOTION BY PROVOST/BLACKMON to approve the bills for July 31, 2013, total expenditures of \$979.02 and the bills for August 12, 2013, total expenditures of \$692,317.14. He said the committee is concerned with the amount being spent on attorneys related to the ongoing issues with the construction of the Public Safety building. Motion carried.

Public Safety: Councilmember Beadles reported that committee met on August 7. City Attorney Todd Richardson was present to discuss the dispatch contract. He has received some recent information that he needs to research and will meet with committee again on August 20.

Chief Cooper said he had a recent discussion with Lewiston Fire Department and Asotin County Fire District regarding mutual aid. He will write a proposed agreement to present to each department.

Chief Hastings reported that National Night Out was well attended.

The new records clerk has started. Chief Hastings said training is going well.

Public Works: No meeting.

Admin Committee: Councilmember Manchester said committee met on August 12. They reviewed an Underwriting Agreement with DA Davidson and recommend approval.

Community Development: No meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS

A. Bid Award, Bubble-up Drywell Project

PWD Martin reported that bids were opened on the Bubble-up Retrofit Project. It will replace some areas where stormwater was just moved from one location to another with drywells. The lowest responsive bid was \$147,494.50. There was a lower bid initially, but that bid was withdrawn when the contractor discovered an error in their bid.

MOTION BY NASH/BAUMBERGER to award the bid to M. L. Albright for \$147,494.50. Motion carried.

B. Contract Approval for Bubble-up Project

PWD Martin asked council to approve the contract with M. L. Albright for the Bubble-up Project. He said the city attorney has reviewed the contract. MOTION BY NASH/BAUMBERGER to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement with Albright. Motion carried.

C. Underwriting Engagement Letter, Sewer Revenue Bonds

MOTION BY MANCHESTER/NASH to approve the agreement with D.A. Davidson to underwrite the new sewer bonds. Councilmember Beadles asked if the city attorney has reviewed the agreement. Grow said he reviewed it today and it appears to be a typical agreement, but suggested the city approve the agreement subject to a review by MRSC. MOTION BY BEADLES/BAUMBERGER to amend the motion to include review by MRSC. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Nash commended the Finance committee for their thorough review of the bills. Councilmember Nash suggested the Admin Committee should look at adding a requirement to the business license regulations for landlord with 4 or more rentals.

Councilmember Beadles commended PWD Martin on the quality of the City's parks. Martin gave the credit to the public works crew.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Vickie Storey, City Clerk

Kathleen A. Warren, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures, 7/31/13	CK #54303, JV 20130708-12	\$979.02
Total Fund Expenditures, 8/12/13	CK #54303, 54364-54462	\$406,867.35
Total Payroll, 7/31/13	CK #54304-63	\$285,449.79