

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
January 28, 2019

ROLL CALL: Russ Evans, Pat Holman, Belinda Larsen, Skate Pierce, Joel Profitt, and Melyssa Andrews. John Murray absent.

STAFF: Chief Hastings, Chief Cooper, PWD Poole, Clerk Austin.

AGENDA CHANGES: Add Item A, Resolution 2019-02 to New Business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the January 14, 2018 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. **From the Public:** None
- B. **From Mayor:** Mayor Lawrence advised that the Public Safety Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 6 at 4:00pm due to an outside meeting conflict.
- C. **From Staff or Employees:** None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Admin: Councilmember Evans reported that the Committee discussed the Resolutions 2019-01 and 2019-02, Letter of Support for CEDA study, the Interlocal Agreement with PUD, and approved the bills for payment. Total expenditures for the Corrected December End of Month Period of \$316,770.53, and the January 28, 2019 period of \$174,012.81. MOTION BY ANDREWS/PROFIT to approve the bills as read. Motion Carried

Public Safety: Councilmember Larsen reported on the January 22nd meeting. Chief Hastings discussed the mandatory in house training outline for the police department for 2019. Throughout the year, officers will receive training on active shooters, weapons and firearms, first aid, defensive tactics, Taser and firearm recertification. They also receive updates and online training on policy and procedures along with a briefing on what new laws have been enacted for the New Year. The Police Department received a very nice plaque from Vista Outdoor thanking the department for all the work and time expended on an investigation that resulted in a conviction for a crime committed against Vista Outdoor. Chief Hastings is now working on the yearly evaluations of officers. At our next meeting, he will also give us a briefing on a committee he sits on regarding the homeless population. Chief Cooper presented us with a work sheet on the 19 years of call volume history for the Clarkston Fire Department. We also discussed a public forum regarding fireworks. Chief Hastings has some materials he will share with the public safety group at our next meeting regarding other areas that have partial or full fireworks bans. We will ask the council if we can have a public forum discussion during our last council meeting in February (25th) to allow the citizens of Clarkston to express their opinion on a ban. We also discussed the days and times of the Public Safety committee meeting. There may be a couple of times throughout the year that we move the day to allow for other meeting attendance. Clerk/Treasurer Steve Austin will have plenty of time to make public notice when this happens.

Public Works: Councilmember Pierce reported on the January 22nd meeting. The Committee discussed the No Child Left Inside project. This would be best to pair this with a Washington State Recreation Grant, and a local school. The Committee feels that Clarkston High School would be ideal. That would give the City a chance to build up our parks and outdoor opportunities. The National Fitness Challenge grant was discussed. The 2018 Grant from NFC was extended into this year, with an inclusion of an

added \$20,000. Accepting the grant would lock the City into a timeline to complete the project. If this project is to move forward, there will need to be a community partner to spearhead the project since the Public Works Department is too busy to be the lead. A couple of individuals used cars to damage our new parking lot at Beachview Park. There was video and witnesses who could identify one of the vehicles. The offenders were caught and charges have been forwarded to the prosecuting attorney's office. The City has a project prospectus for the 2nd and Bridge/Diagonal Street intersection. The Committee recommends that the Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the form. This will allow the Federal money to be allocated to the project. The City's share of the \$1.7 million dollar project is \$233,300. The Committee discussed proposed changes to CMC 15.40 dealing with permit fees. Most items were included to make obtaining a permit more efficient and less expensive. Some items involve special inspections. The department needs to collect money that is spent to bring special inspectors in from state agencies. The Public Works Department is now looking at options to figure out how to proceed with the procurement of a new vehicle. Options include using the state contracted dealer or via advertising the request in the paper. There is a bill on the floor of the state legislature (H-0630.1/19) that intends to regulate short term rentals, like Airbnb. This legislation would require local municipalities to inspect and enforce new regulations. PWD Poole had a discussion with the traffic engineer for Costco about the MOU for the 5th Street project. There is a target of completion of November 1, 2019. Costco is going to check on final approval.

Outside Organizations: Councilmember Pierce reported on the Board of Health meeting that was held earlier today. Items discussed were primarily housekeeping issues. There was an update on the needle exchange program with Blue Mountain Health. The Health Department is planning to start this program up again. There was also a report from the School District on risks of vaping among students. It was reported that 40 % of Lincoln Middle School students have tried or are currently vaping.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Draft Letter of Support, Economic Impact and Needs Assessment (Finance/Admin)

Clerk Austin presented the letter to the Council. Attorney Richardson advised that the letter is not binding. The Council will have to give approval for appropriation of the funds when the time comes. MOTION BY LARSEN/PROFITTT to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter. Motion Carried

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Resolution 2019-01, 2019 Legislative Agenda (Finance/Admin)

B. Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement (Finance/Admin)

C. WSDOT Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus (Public Works)

MOTION BY HOLMAN/PIERCE/LARSEN to accept the consent agenda. Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution 2019-02, 2019 Support for Chamber Letter (Finance/Admin) MOTION BY ANDREWS/EVANS to approve the resolution. Motion Carried

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember Larsen commented that she attended the Jackson Baldwin Pay It Forward Auction. She advised that the community raised at least \$450,000 so far. It was a phenomenally generous night of giving by our community.

PRESS QUESTIONS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Lawrence advised that Negotiations would be discussed. There will be no decisions made. The session is expected to last 30 minutes. The session began at 7:25p.m. An extension of 15 minutes was requested at 7:55p.m. The session ended at 8:10p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Steve Austin, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures Dec 2018 EOM		\$316,770.53
Total Fund Expenditures 1/28/19	Ck # 67757-67808	\$38,533.54
Payroll 1/18/19	Ck # 67744-67754	\$135,479.27