

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
December 9, 2019

ROLL CALL: Skate Pierce, Pat Holman, Steven Ebert, Belinda Larsen, Russ Evans, and John Murray. Melyssa Andrews excused on a MOTION BY LARSEN/MURRAY.

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

AGENDA CHANGES: Add Item F: Southway Bridge Construction Agreement and Item G: Authorization for Mayor to sign Police Guild CBA to Consent Agenda:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the November 21, 2019 Budget Workshop and the November 25, 2019 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: None

B. From Mayor: Mayor Lawrence advised that she sent Council a power point on the 2020 Census. This is to keep everyone informed for the events that will begin after the first of the year. There are materials on the table in the foyer and at the front desk of City Hall.

C. From Staff or Employees: PWD Poole informed Council that the TAC committee for the design on Bridge/2nd/Diagonal improvements will meet on Wednesday. If Councilmembers would like to be on committee, they are welcome to attend. He advised that there will be a separate stakeholder group meeting later. Chief Baskett asked to be excused for the December 23rd meeting. He also announced that he would be leaving the City and going back to retirement on February 28, 2020. He advised that he will be working with the Mayor to advertise for a replacement in January with anticipation of hiring in February. Attorney Richardson advised that the TAC meeting cannot have more than three Councilmembers attending without violation of open meeting laws. Councilmember Evans was the only one that advised he would attend.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Admin: Councilmember Murray reported that the Committee discussed the consent agenda items, Resolution and Ordinances and reviewed and approved the bills for payment. Total expenditures for the December 9, 2019 period of \$451,358.87. MOTION BY EVANS/HOLMAN to approve the bills as read. Motion Carried

Public Safety: Councilmember Larsen reported on the December 2nd meeting. Chief Baskett advised that the department will be advertising for a firefighter/firefighter paramedic. Also, look for the fire department in the parade! Chief Hastings discussed the new program that the State requires all pharmaceutical companies to make available a disposal that is convenient and easily accessible to dispose of unwanted prescription medications. There is a “kiosk” located in the police station lobby. Work is being done to replace the ROC warming shelter. Currently, 1st Step For Life has stepped up and is offering a place for people at 102 Idaho Street. They have changed their typical hours to a 24 hour per day operation through February to accommodate adults on an overnight basis. They are in need of community volunteers. No Shave November was successful, raising \$250 for the local YWCA.

Public Works: Councilmember Pierce reported on the December 3rd meeting. The committee discussed an Ordinance revising the role and makeup of the Board of Park Commissioners. We also reviewed an ordinance revising the city code concerning street cuts and patching of excavations. We reviewed some of the problems in the language on the city code concerning garbage collection. There is some wording

that needs to be fixed or entirely removed. Director Poole has approved the traffic control plan while the Asotin County Library is remodeling their bathrooms. There will be a storage container on 5th street, on the side of the road while the construction is occurring. We reviewed the traffic control issues with the Holiday parade.

Outside Organizations: Councilmember Murray advised he attended the Regional Stormwater meeting. They discussed public involvement, illicit discharge operations, and the budget for the end of the year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION BY LARSEN/LARSEN to approve consent items. Motion Carried

- A. Retainer for City Attorney Services (Finance/Admin)
- B. Contract for Indigent Defense Services (Finance/Admin)
- C. Contract for Professional Services – The Wesley Group (Finance/Admin)
- D. Agreement for Janitorial Service (Finance/Admin)
- E. Resolution 2019-22, 2020 Position Allocation List (Finance/Admin)
- F. Southway Bridge Construction Agreement (Finance/Admin)
- G. Authorization for Mayor to sign Police Guild CBA (Finance Admin)

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Ordinance 1636, 2019 Budget Amendment, 1st Reading (Finance/Admin) Vote will be held at next meeting.
- B. Ordinance 1637, Amend 2.24 Duties and Compensation, 1st Reading (Finance/Admin) Vote will be held at next meeting.
- C. Ordinance 1638, 2020 Budget, 1st Reading (Finance/Admin) Vote will be held at next meeting.
- E. Resolution 2019-23, Support of Dams (Finance/Admin) MOTION BY LARSEN/EVANS to approve resolution. Pierce voted Nay, all others in favor. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember Larsen advised that the parade went well, but the Community left the streets in bad shape with litter and the Public Works staff had to clean up. Councilmember Evans commented that he was glad that it didn't rain on the parade.

PRESS QUESTIONS: Tribune Reporter Sandaine clarified that Councilmember Pierce voted nay on the resolution.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Lawrence advised that the Council would be going into Executive Session at 7:23pm regarding Negotiations. The session is expected to last 10 minutes. No decisions are anticipated. A two-minute extension was requested at 7:33pm. Council returned to the regular session at 7:35pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Steve Austin, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures 12/9/19	Ck # 69543-69610	\$150,121.25
Payroll 12/05/19	Ck # 69517-69542	\$301,237.62