

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
September 9, 2019

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

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

AGENDA CHANGES: Add Executive Session: Litigation and add Item A: 2020 Stormwater Capacity Grant Agreement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the August 26, 2019 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Presentation: Visit LC Valley – Michelle Peters: Mayor Lawrence introduced Michelle Peters, President and CEO of Visit LC Valley. President Peters provided Council with an update on the use of Lodging Tax funds By Visit LC Valley to promote tourism in the City.

B. From the Public: None

D. From Mayor: None

E. From Staff or Employees: Chief Baskett announced that the Fire Department will have an engine in the 9/11 parade. The procession begins at 5:30pm in Asotin. The group should pass the Clarkston station at 5:45pm. He also advised Council that the Fire Department had been selected to receive a \$200,000 grant for SCBA purchase. The City will need \$12,000 approximately for a match. PWD Poole advised that removal of railroad tracks on Snake River Avenue in Lewiston would begin next week. There will be disruptions at the east end of the Interstate (Blue) Bridge.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Admin: Councilmember Murray reported that the Committee discussed the Stormwater Capacity Grant Agreement (Agenda Item) and reviewed and approved the bills for payment. Total expenditures for the September 9, 2019 period of \$441,311.69. MOTION BY EVANS/PROFFIT to approve the bills as read. Motion Carried

Public Safety: Councilmember Holman reported on the September 3rd meeting. Chief Hastings shared a new jail information flyer that will be distributed at all town hall meetings. The first Town Hall meeting was 09/04/2019 at 6 pm at the Fire Station on Appleside Blvd. Chief Hastings shared that there will be a total of four Town Hall meetings, locations to be determined later. Chief Hastings budgeted for the purchase of two new radios but was able to find twelve used radios, two base stations with warranties for the same cost of two new radios. Clarkston Police Department is set for radios in the future. Riverfest was on Saturday, September 7, 2019 and Chief Hastings planned extra police presence at the function. Chief Basket shared that the Clarkston Fire Department helped with fire coverage to the county during the funeral service for Pat Loseth's funeral. The Clarkston Fire Department was represented by Captain Jim Babino at the funeral service. Chief Basket shared he is still working on his zero-value surplus list. There is also an out of duty ambulance that Chief Basket is going to make arrangements to sell. Chief Basket shared two policy change drafts, the two policies are Fire Fighter Reserve Program and Out of Area Ambulance Transport. These are both on standard operating procedures. Chief Basket also shared his working with local schools for fire safety week.

Public Works: Councilmember Pierce reported on the September 3rd meeting. Pierce advised that there wasn't any City business discussed at the meeting.

Outside Organizations: Councilmember Evans reported that there was not a scheduled PTBA meeting, but records showed 429 more boardings this year over last year. Councilmember Murray reported that Regional Stormwater met and reviewed the budget. PWD Poole provided a packet of funding information. Councilmember Larsen advised that the Lodging Tax Committee met and will bring recommendations to the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. 2020 Stormwater Capacity Grant Agreement (Finance/Admin) PWD Poole provided Council with the information on the grant. He advised that Jeff Weimer from Regional Stormwater was available for any questions. Weimer advised that the capacity grant increased from \$150,000 to \$240,000 for this year. This grant will help with administration fees. Councilmember Pierce asked if this grant had match requirements. Weimer advised that there was no required match, and it was a cooperative grant with the County and the City of Asotin. **MOTION BY ANDREWS/EVANS** to approve the grant agreement. Motion Carried

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember Holman advised Happy Day donated two \$25 gift cards for Hunter Herzog. Chief Hastings will deliver the cards. He also reminded everyone that Public Safety Committee will begin meeting at 4pm on the first and third Monday beginning September 16, 2019.

PRESS QUESTIONS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Lawrence advised that the Council would be adjourning to Executive Session at 7:32pm to discuss litigation. The expected length is 10 minutes with no action anticipated as a result of the session. Council returned to open session at 7:42pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm.

Steve Austin, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures 9/9/19	Ck # 69029-69086	\$138,349.52
Payroll 9/5/19	Ck # 69000-69027	\$302,962.17