

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 28, 2025

ROLL CALL: Skate Pierce, Pat Holman, Russ Evans, Robin Albers, David Vinton, Sheila McDougall and Sarah Reaves.

STAFF: Interim Chief Daniel, Chief White, PWD Dimmick, Attorney Hanson, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Charlene Fenelon

AGENDA CHANGES: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the April 14, 2025 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: None

B. From the Mayor: Mayor Lawrence notified council that Deputy Clerk Charlene Fenelon is filling in for Clerk Rachel Frost while Rachel is away at a conference. Mayor Lawrence advised council that all of City Hall employees had recently completed a live by Zoom “Leading a Workplace Free of Harassment and Discrimination” training hosted by WCIA. This was required training for all City Hall employees. Mayor Lawrence notified the council that some staff had attended “The Rise of Incivility” sponsored by the National League of Cities. Mayor Lawrence notified council of an EPIC open house to discuss ways to handle the rise of substance abuse in the communities. The open house is on May 14 from 9:30 to 12:30 and a continental breakfast will be served.

C. From Staff or Employees: Chief White notified the council that the Asotin County Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (which we are a member of) is requesting the County Commissioners place a proposition on this November’s general election ballot to ask voters for a 1/10th of 1% SALES TAX authorized by RCW 82.14.420 specifically for emergency communication systems and facilities. Due to our aging communication systems and infrastructure which includes dispatch services, equipment, and radio towers along with the rising costs of repair and maintenance, the advisory committee is looking to find a long-term funding solution without keeping the burden on the taxpayers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Admin: Total expenditures for the April 28, 2025 period of \$270,179.81. MOTION BY VINTON/MCDOUGALL to approve the paying of the bills. Motion Carried.

Public Safety: Mayor Lawrence advised that the minutes were included in the packet.

Public Works: Mayor Lawrence advised that the minutes were included in the packet.

Outside Organizations: Mayor Lawrence advised that any minutes were included in the packet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance 1730, Donations Policy – 2nd Reading (Finance/Admin) Deputy Clerk Fenelon read the Ordinance by Title. MOTION BY ALBERS/EVANS to adopt the Ordinance. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION BY HOLMAN/VINTON to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion Carried.

- A. Special Event Permit, Pizza & Pride in the Park – PFLAG Clarkston (Public Works)
- B. Special Event Permit, Beachview Toddler Trek – Asotin Co Library Foundation (Public Works)
- C. Special Event Permit, CHS Class of 2005 – 20 year Reunion Picnic (Public Works)
- D. Resolution 2025-08, Surplus of Garbage Truck (Public Works)
- E. Resolution 2025-09, Surplus of Police Vehicles (Public Safety)

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Introduction and Offer Letters, 13th St & Poplar St Roundabout – J. Dietrich (Public Works)**
PWD Dimmick provided a brief overview of the letter. MOTION BY MCDOUGALL/ALBERS to approve the Introduction and Offer Letters. Motion Carried.
- B. **Introduction and Offer Letters, 13th St & Poplar St Roundabout – Clk First Assembly of God (Public Works)** PWD Dimmick provided a brief overview of the letter. MOTION BY PIERCE/VINTON to approve the Introduction and Offer Letters. Motion Carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember Pierce shared that he had reviewed the current dog licensing ordinance and does not believe that the ordinance should be updated at this time. After spending time with Animal Control Officer Turner he has learned that the citations are complaint driven for issues of smell and noise. He mentioned that there are kennel permits allowed in certain areas and circumstances that people who house others dogs can look into when needed.

PRESS QUESTIONS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 5:44 pm.

Rachel Frost, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures 4/28/25	Ck #80303-80331	\$49,756.22
Payroll 4/4/25	Ck #80290-80300	\$220,423.59