

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
May 27, 2025

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

STAFF: Clerk Frost, Interim Chief Daniel, Chief White, PWD Dimmick and Attorney Hanson

AGENDA CHANGES: Mayor Lawrence advised the addition of a Request for Amendment to the CDBG with the Department of Commerce to Item G under the Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the May 12, 2025 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: None.

B. From the Mayor: Mayor Lawrence reminded council this is Attorney Hanson's last council meeting and Friday, May 30th is her last day in the office.

C. From Staff or Employees: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Admin: Total expenditures for the May 27, 2025 period of \$362,218.31 and the April end of month of \$413.50. MOTION BY EVANS/HOLMAN 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 1731, Eminent Domain – 1st Reading (Finance/Admin) Clerk Frost read the Ordinance by title. MOTION BY MCDUGALL/VINTON to adopt the Ordinance. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION BY PIERCE/ALBERS to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion Carried.

- A. Special Event Permit, Cruzin' to Clarkston Car Show (Public Works)**
- B. Special Event Permit, Community Spirit – Pyro Spectaculars North, Inc. (Public Works)**
- C. Bid Award, 2025 Street Maintenance – POE Asphalt (Public Works)**
- D. Bid Award, 2021 Stormwater Improvements – Liberty Northwest Construction (Public Works)**
- E. Letter of Support of Railroads – GoRail (Finance/Admin)**
- F. City Attorney Retainer Agreement – Todd Richardson (Finance/Admin)**
- G. CDBG Request for Amendment – Department of Commerce (Finance/Admin)**

NEW BUSINESS: None.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember McDougall thanked Attorney Hanson for everything she has done for the city. Councilmember Pierce shared research he had done in regard to the limits of dogs

and cats in American cities with about 12,000 cities having a 3-4 dog limit. He spoke to the small lot sizes within city limits and the need to keep a limit on the number of dogs/cats per residence. Councilmember McDougall said she would like to see 3 dogs and 3 cats, instead of 3 all together. Councilmember Pierce reiterated he believed we need to have a limit otherwise there is always someone willing to take advantage of it. Councilmember Evans asked if the county had a different limit. Pierce responded he believed they have a 5 dog limit but they have more land available and bigger lot sizes. Albers noted about 50% of our residents are renters. Councilmember Pierce stated he isn't opposed to separating the limit of cats and dogs. Councilmember Evans commented that you can't change something because of one person and there is the opportunity to move to the county. Attorney Hanson spoke from the prosecutor side of it and stated the situations mainly arise when people have too many animals and they are not being well kept. Councilmember Holman reiterated the point on the city's small lot sizes. Councilmember Albers commented not all properties have fences either. Lastly, Councilmember Albers thanked Attorney Hanson and stated it has been a pleasure working with her.

PRESS QUESTIONS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm.

Rachel Frost, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures 5/27/25	Ck #80451-80494	\$143,012.63
Payroll 5/20/25	Ck #80434-80445	\$219,205.68
Total Fund Expenditures April 2025 EOM		\$413.50