CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 23, 2026

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

STAFF: Clerk Frost, Chief Daniel, Chief White and Attorney Richardson

AGENDA CHANGES: Mayor Lawrence advised Executive Session would be added to the end of the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the February 9, 2026 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

INTERVIEWS OF COUNCILMEMBER APPLICANTS: Mayor Lawrence introduced Jeremy Walkup, David Wilson and Jesse Shroyer as the applicants to fill the vacancy for Position 6, previously held by David Vinton. She explained the interview process. The applicants were interviewed in the order that they applied. Jeremy Walkup was first, followed by David Wilson and lastly Jesse Shroyer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: DISCUSSION OF APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS:
At 6:47pm, Mayor Lawrence advised that Council would be entering Executive Session to review the qualifications for the applicants. The Executive Session is expected to last 10 minutes. After the Executive Session, a Councilmember will be appointed. At 6:57pm, Council returned to regular session.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILMEMBER: Councilmember ALBERS nominated WILSON. Councilmember REAVES nominated WALKUP. Nominations closed on a MOTION BY ALBERS/REAVES. Motion Carried. PIERCE, HOLMAN, EVANS AND ALBERS voted for Wilson. MCDOUGALL and REAVES voted for Walkup. WILSON appointed by a vote of 4-2.

Clerk Frost administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember WILSON. Councilmember WILSON was seated with the Council to complete the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public:
Jack Meyer
Heidi McNutt
Cheryl Yarborough
Jennifer Orr

B. From the Mayor: None.

C. From Staff or Employees: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Finance/Admin: Total expenditures for the February 23, 2026 period of $920,897.50. 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: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION BY HOLMAN/PIERCE to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion Carried, 6-1. REAVES casting the single nay vote.

A. Agreement, 2026 – Asotin County Health District (Finance/Admin)
B. Memorandum of Agreement – AFSCME Local 1476-C (Finance/Admin)
C. Resolution 2026-03, Non-Represented Salaries (Finance/Admin)

NEW BUSINESS:
A. Ordinance 1742, Budget Amendment – 1st Reading (Finance/Admin) Clerk Frost read the Ordinance by Title. Vote will be at the next meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember Pierce asked Chief Daniel if Code Enforcement Officer Turner has provided any reports on 812 9th Street recently. Chief Daniel provided he has received no updates. Councilmember McDougall provided clarification that the City is not the entity building the homeless shelter and that it is the Asotin County Alliance for the Unhoused. Councilmember Albers thanked Jennifer Orr for speaking during public comment. Councilmember Pierce commented that it "it's not falling on deaf ears." Councilmember Albers thanked the applicants for running for Council. Councilmember McDougall and Pierce reiterated thanking the applicants.

PRESS QUESTIONS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: LITIGATION
Mayor Lawrence advised that Council would be entering into Executive Session regarding litigation at 7:23pm. The session is expected to last 10 minutes, and no decision will be made as a result of the meeting. At 7:33pm, a 5-minute extension was requested. At 7:38pm, Council returned to regular session.

ADJOURNMENT:
Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

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Rachel Frost, City Clerk   Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures 2/23/26	Ck #81855-81907	$625,530.28
Payroll 2/20/26	Ck #81839-81854	$216,086.28
2025 Fire Retro Payroll	Ck #81826-81838	$79,280.94