

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
June 22, 2026

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

STAFF: Finance & HR Specialist Fenelon, Chief Daniel, Chief White, PWD Dimmick and Attorney Richardson

Chief White performed the badge pinning ceremony on the two newest full-time firefighter EMT's hired by the Clarkston Fire Department, Nathan Dalton and Walter Sheppard.

AGENDA CHANGES: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the June 8, 2026, Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: Jim Griffin – letter read by Mayor Lawrence at the request of Jim Griffin Cheryl Yarborough

MOTION BY EVANS/REAVES to move “Discussion of Abatement at 812 9th Street” from UNFINISHED BUSINESS to COMMUNICATIONS From the Public. Motion carried. MOTION BY EVANS/REAVES to abate property. Discussion with Councilmembers, Attorney Richardson and resident Cheryl Yarborough. REAVES WITHDRAWS SECOND to the MOTION TO ABATE. MOTION BY PIERCE/REAVES to table MOTION TO ABATE until an amendment to the ordinance establishing a 1% simple interest on abated properties is completed. Motion Carried. Attorney Richardson will have an amended ordinance at the July 13, 2026, council meeting. Final reading will be at the July 20, 2026, council meeting. Discussion to abate 812 9th Street to be placed on the July 20, 2026, council meeting agenda.

From the Public: C.Stewart

B. From the Mayor: Mayor Lawrence announced the open council position. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM on July 6, 2026. Interviews for qualified candidates will be at the City Council Meeting on July 13, 2026.

C. From Staff or Employees: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Admin: Total expenditures for the June 22, 2026, period of \$1,120,131.13. 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.

Ad Hoc: Mayor Lawrence advised that the minutes were included in the packet.

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

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION BY PIERCE/MCDOUGALL to approve the Consent Agenda.
Motion carried.

A. **Special Event Permit, All Church Service & BBQ with Baptisms - Abundant Life (Public Works)**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. **Discussion of Abatement at 812 9th Street** Previously moved to COMMUNICATIONS From the Public.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **ADA Improvements Project Approval – McCalls Classic Construction (Public Works)** MOTION BY PIERCE/HOLMAN to approve the project. Motion Carried

B. **Certificate of Substantial Completion – 2021 Stormwater Improvements (Public Works)** PWD Dimmick explained the Certificate of Substantial Completion. MOTION BY EVANS/REAVES to approve the Resolution. Motion Carried.

C. **Tourism Promotion Area (TPA) Discussion** Mayor Lawrence lets council know they received copies of RCW 35.101 Tourism Promotion Areas in their boxes. Smaller cities are now eligible to have TPA's. Councilmember Wilson declares a personal conflict of interest with the hotel that may fall within the potential area of a TPA. Councilmembers discuss what a TPA is and how it may benefit the City of Clarkston. Discussion regarding specific jurisdiction where TPA may be, whether Port District or City limits. Attorney Richardson is unsure of the RCW specifics and of the jurisdictions and will look into such and report back to council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: None.

PRESS QUESTIONS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Rachel Frost, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures 6/22/26	Ck #82549-82589	\$892,839.79
Payroll 6/18/26	Ck #82483-82548	\$227,291.34