

**CITY OF CLARKSVILLE
CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING
January 8, 2024**

The Clarksville City Council met in regular session on January 8, 2024 in the City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jerald Heuer presiding and Council Members Roger Doty, Ruth Saulsbury, Jennifer Kielman, Jessi Reints and Taran Sherburne present. Other city employees present were: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk, Jared Brunner, Maintenance, and Police Chief Mackey. Members of the public present: Rhonda Landrum

No Public Comments received.

Mayor Topics: Police Search. Mayor would like to know from council if they would like to intensify the search for another police officer. He has spoken with Jason Johnson regarding their process and they are currently getting ready to conduct interviews and hiring officers. Once that is complete he would meet with the Mayor again and talk about the potential candidates that may be a good fit for Clarksville. Discussion with the difficulties of finding an officer for a small town and retaining them. Kielman states it is always worth looking at. Mackey states that it would be nice to find someone that wants to work part time and see if they would be a good fit and then make an offer for full time position. Heuer states that it would be good to have more police presence during the day with the school and businesses. Mackey states that he is happy with his position and the way that he is treated. He states we need to figure out what will bring the recruits here and make sure that they are a good candidate.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to update job posting to part time and/or full time police officer position.

Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Committee Assignments for Council. Heuer questions if council is in agreement with the assignments for committees. No discussion or objections.

Motion Kielman, Reints to approve and adopt items contained in the Consent Agenda and Minutes for (12/18/2023). Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Financing Options for Ilgenfritz Project: Discussion from Clerk to council when checking with Engineer regarding how much was left in the project for completion there were some items that we were not aware of including additional cost of moving intakes, a man hole that was left off initial bid, etc. Council was not aware of these issues that were brought up and Clerk/Maintenance were not aware until meeting today.

Clerk provided update re: Vacating Road by VT. VT Attorneys are wanting to wait until February while they work on agreements with land owners.

Motion Kielman, Doty to approve Larry Pump completing Annual Exam for FY 2024-2025. Ayes:

Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Sherburne, Doty to approve setting budget workshops for Wednesday January 10th at 6 pm and Wednesday January 24th at 6 pm. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Saulsbury, Reints to approve City Hall being place for city Wide Garage Sale signup. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Mayor Heuer states that he has been taking classes thru the Iowa League and would like to ask for reimbursement for the cost of the classes.

Motion Kielman, Sherburne to approve registration payment reimbursement for Municipal

Classes for Mayor Heuer in the amount of \$140. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Kielman, Sherburne to approve replacing stolen lights at Sign on Hwy 3 and 188. Deductible for this claim is \$500. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.


Council reviewed claims presented for month of December. Discussion surrounding reimbursement from Former Mayor Grantham. Kielman had questions regarding this reimbursement and did not agree with the claim, as well as Reints.

Motion Kielman, Saulsbury to deny payment of claim to Michael Grantham in the amount of \$193.06.

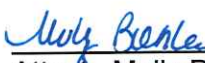
Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Reints, Kielman to approve December monthly expenditures and financial reports as presented by City Clerk. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Doty, Sherburne to adjourn regular City Council meeting at 7:10 pm.



Jerald Heuer
Mayor



Attest: Molly Bohlen
City Clerk