

**CITY OF CLARKSVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING  
August 5, 2024**

The Clarksville City Council met in regular session on August 5, 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. Other City employees present were: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk, Police Chief Mackey and Reserve Officer Brown. Members of public present: Rhonda Landrum, Dean Zelle, Ryan McCully and Callie and Henry Vance.

Jessi Reints had a couple of items to bring up at the meeting.

1. Parking on Main Street: wondering about putting up signs for Business Only Parking in front of the stores. There are tenants that are using the parking spots and not moving during the day. This is causing parking chaos. She states that her daycare van has a vehicle park so close to it that she can't get the back doors open to perform monthly required inspections. She states that she has talked to Barry about this issue also. Barry asked about an Ordinance change to require vehicles to leave so much space in between the next vehicle. Heuer wonders about painting parking spots. Reints states in the Ordinance landlords are required to provide off street parking for tenants which there is no space for. Barry also questions putting 30-60 minute parking signs up to deter people from parking too long.
2. Reints brings up a question regarding a building permit that was submitted for the 100 block of E Slimmer with school coming up there are items that are close to the road. Clerk will check on this and get back to Reints.

Ryan McCully states that the Fire Dept. and the Ambulance are going to be doing training involving junk vehicles. He wanted the council aware that these vehicles will be dropped off behind City Hall towards the end of the month and into September. McCully states that they will need the end loader to move the vehicles around and is wondering if the council would ok him using the loader.

Mayor Topics:

1. Businesses cleaning up sidewalks in front of their businesses. Maintenance has been spraying weeds on the street and curbs, but he just wants to get the word out to the businesses to help clean up their areas.
2. Grass Clippings in the Roadway. Many complaints coming in that residents are blowing grass clippings into the road. Mackey has went and spoke with multiple people and asked them not to do this. This could affect storm drains as well which is the bigger problem. Callie Vance was present and wanted to know what the standard for grass clippings on the street was. She states that she doesn't intentionally blow grass into the street and she was contacted before she was even done mowing. Henry Vance states that they maintain/mow many areas around town and they just want to know the expectations. Mackey states that he has 3 pages of residents who recently have been contacted regarding this.
3. Approve Stop Sign Placement both intersection and direction. Sherburne and Saulsbury presented the following street have additional stop signs added to them.
  - a. W. Greene & S. Elizabeth-East & West
  - b. E. Poisal & S. Church-North & South
  - c. N. Mather & E. Poisal-East & West
  - d. E. Vine & S. Mather-North & South
  - e. Leave the stop sign at the Railroad Crossing on S. Mather
  - f. E. Greene & S. Mather- East & West

Saulsbury states that they used the feedback provided by the citizens to assist with the decisions on the placement of the signs.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve the stop sign placement as discussed. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Kielman, Reints to approve Consent Agenda including: July Claims & Financial Reports, Minutes from 07/15/2024. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Dean Zelle Insurance Agent was present for introduction of services to the Council and Mayor. Zelle is out of Urbandale and works with many businesses in the Clarksville area. He is asking for the Council to consider completing an agent change form which would not change the type of insurance or the cost just would changes who is providing the service. Kielman states that maybe it is not a bad idea to have someone else look at the insurance and options. Clerk states no dissatisfaction towards current agent at this time when Sherburne asked Clerk if this would make things easier.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve Street Project Quote from Heartland Asphalt to include patchwork and 2 Alternate Options on West Poisal & West Prospect. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Building Permits presented by City Clerk in absence of Maintenance:

1. Community Retirement Village, 515 W Prospect. Adding 10 x 12 shelter/picnic area. Motion Doty, Reints to approve Building Permit as presented. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
2. Stacie Wagner, 325 N Traer already constructed fence to contain dogs. Motion Doty, Sherburne to approve Building Permit as presented. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
3. Autumn Ferch, 318 N Baughman wants to construct fence for dogs. Motion Saulsbury, Doty to approve Building Permit as presented. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
4. Troy Fraser, 414 W Greene St. adding 8 x 12 foot shed. Update provided by Heuer-Fraser is making improvements to the shed, however he will not answer the door in order to speak with him. Motion

Sherburne, Doty to table pending completion of shed project and clean up of property. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

5. VT Industries, 302 S Traer building commercial warehouse. Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve Building Permit as presented. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Reints, Doty to approve moving first council meeting in September from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 3<sup>rd</sup> due to the holiday. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Discussion of rental price for use of City ball diamonds and lights. Clerk states that we have had some inquiries about this. Janesville & Readlyn charge \$25/time for use of their fields.

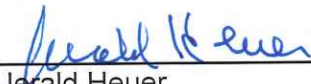
Motion Doty, Sherburne to approve Clarksville Police Department purchasing new fire arms. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Sherburne, Saulsbury to approve Clarksville Police Department selling old fire arms. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None. Doty states that he is going to check on trade-in prices on the fire arms also. Mackey states that Brown did the research with the guns so if there are questions they could be directed towards her.

Tree Removal Recommendation from Maintenance presented by Clerk.

1. Mark Waugh, 320 S. Main: Motion Sherburne, Doty to approve removing the tree. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
2. Laura Wallin, 413 E. Superior St., Motion Kielman, Sherburne to approve removing the tree. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
3. David Kramer, 404 S. Main: Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve removing the tree. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
4. Timothy Widmoyer, 502 W. Weare St.: Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve removing the tree. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.
5. Jennifer Kielman, 715 N. Main: Motion Saulsbury, Sherburne to approve removing the tree. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Reints, Sherburne. Abstain: Kielman due to tree being on her property. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Doty, Sherburne to adjourn regular City Council meeting at 7:42 pm.

  
Jerald Heuer  
Mayor

  
Attest: Molly Bohlen  
City Clerk