

CITY OF CLARKSVILLE
CITY COUNCIL DEPARTMENT MEETING
June 16, 2025

The Clarksville City Council met in regular session on June 16, 2025 in the City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jerald Heuer presiding and Council Members Ruth Saulsbury, Jessi Reints, Roger Doty, Jennifer Kielman and Taran Sherburne (by phone). The following Department Heads & employees were in attendance: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk, Jared Brunner, Maintenance, Rebecca Brown, Reserve Officer (arrived at 7:00pm), Barry Mackey, Police Chief, and Ryan McCully, Fire Chief.

Motion Doty, Reints to approve agenda for June 16, 2025. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None

Saulsbury states that she heard a lot of positive comments about Pioneer Days which was echoed by Heuer.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve Consent Agenda of: May Monthly Expenditures & Reports, Minutes from 06/02/2025 and Liquor License for Dollar General. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None

Department Head Updates: Library: will provide 2 months of reports at the next meeting. Fire Dept: present no updates, however McCully wanted to thank everyone for their help with Pioneer Days. Police Chief provided report with calls totaling 101 for May and Mackey provided report of speed survey completed over the weekend on Superior Street.

Maintenance reports. Building permits:

1. Hunter Bushman: 109 S. Hilton: Adding deck to front of house which will be slightly bigger than what is already there. Motion Kielman, Sherburne to approve building permit as presented by Maintenance. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None
2. Marlin Hinders: 421 E. Poisal: removing handicap ramp, squaring up deck and adding an additional 6x7' deck. Motion Doty, Kielman to approve building permit as presented by Maintenance. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None
3. Russ Vance: 314 E. Ilgenfritz Ave. replacing driveway and adding concrete patio to backyard. Motion Doty, Reints approve building permit as presented by Maintenance. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None
4. Teresa Poland: 324 N. Traer St. would like to put a temporary shipping container on property to store nephews' belongings while he is serving in military overseas for up to 2 ½ years. Mackey states that he owns property next door and doesn't like the idea of the container, but is ok with it since its temporary and nephew is in the service. Heuer states that if the container is going to be there longer than 2 ½ years Poland would need to come back to council for approval. Motion Doty, Reints to approve building permit as presented by Maintenance. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None
5. Verizon submitted building permit however after discussing Council did not feel that it was necessary as they will be adding equipment that doesn't increase square footage of area already in question.

Volunteer Park update. Vandalism reported on a piece of equipment and waiting on part to fix splashpad. Splashpad will continue to run continuously during the day depending on the weather.

City Wide Cleanup Fees discussed. Brunner is working with Chris Kehoe at Jendro to secure dumpsters, Wilken for scrap metal and will see how many tvs/computer we pick up to decide how to handle. Brunner suggested a \$10 fee for tires, council agreed. Clean up days will begin the week of July 13th, however dumpsters will be dropped off the Friday prior.

Water Rate Discussion. Council feels that they need to stay ahead of infrastructure needs and supply costs. Saulsbury reminded council of previous discussions regarding the long term goals/needs looking at 5 and 10 year plan.

Clerk shared Speer Financial Engagement Letter for Fire Truck with Council.

Motion Kielman, Reints to approve Mayor Association Fee thru Iowa League of Cities for \$30/annually. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None. Saulsbury states that the Iowa League of Cities has so much valuable information and Reints/Kielman thought that we could gain new ideas thru speaking with other Mayors.


Clerk provided IT changes and increases.

Employee Reviews were reviewed by Council.

Food Truck Discussion. Kielman wonders if there is a way to control the type of food trucks coming to the area to protect our brick/mortar businesses and wanted to put this item up for discussion again. Kielman states that when the food trucks first started coming to town that most were items not already sold by establishments in town. Saulsbury questioned how a food truck is able to come to town and what the process is. Clerk provided the permit process. Doty questions whether this would be considered discrimination if you limit the types of food trucks coming into town. Heuer states that he feels that it is a personal decision of where people want to eat. Reints questions whether this is a town issue or the businesses responsibility to promote their own establishment. Saulsbury questions if there are new problems or the same concerns as previously discussed. Heuer states that previously he went and spoke with the local business owners when this was previously discussed and encouraged council members to do the same now.

Accounting Software Conversion update provided by Clerk.

Motion Doty, Sherburne to adjourn the regular City Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Sherburne, Kielman and Reints. Nays: None. Absent: None


Jerald Heuer, Mayor

Attest: Molly Bohlen
Molly Bohlen, City Clerk