

The Clarion City Council met in regular session Tuesday July 2nd, 2024, at 5:00pm in the Council Chambers with Mayor Heiden presiding. Present were Council members Dave Flurer, Dan Hennigar, Shayne Hennigar, Nick McOllough, and Mike Ennis. Also in attendance City Administrator Clint Middleton, Attorney Zach Chizek, PWD DeVries, and Officer Thompson.

Mayor Heiden called the meeting to order and polled the council for any conflicts of interest with the agenda, there were none. Mayor Heiden asked if there were any citizens listed to address the council, there were two. Judy Kirstein and neighbors were wanting to know what happened that caused the water back up in the homes where she lives. DeVries explained the lift station had one pump working full-time but the 2nd pump that would kick on was plugged by debris. The dialer that calls out errored when this happened. That dialer has already been replaced. These dialers send test calls weekly and were in operation they last test. Councilman D. Hennigar also discussed options for the homeowner to help prevent back-ups. (They finished their discussion after the meeting.) Lance Austin was questioning the method of removal of the items at the cemetery. Councilman D. Hennigar shared with him copies of the two posts on the city Facebook page 2 week prior to the removal of the items allowing people to remove their items. Austin gave suggestions on how to maintain the property with the items in place. Councilman Flurer informed him it sounded simple when dealing with one shrine but not when multiplied by hundreds. This policy has been part of the rules of the cemetery for decades, like many city cemeteries. Items that were not removed were placed at the shed to allow for people to get their items after the date. Items not picked up will be disposed of.

Motioned by McOllough seconded by S. Hennigar to approve consent agenda consisting of Minutes- 2024.06.18; Financial report- approve checks; Licenses/Permits- (Building, Liquor, Tobacco, Sign, Peddler, Street Closure) Liquor: Top of Iowa Lucky Wife; Road Closure: Car Show, Chappy's (x3)) (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by Flurer seconded by S. Hennigar to open Public Hearing for Public Hearing on Designation of the Expanded Clarion Urban Renewal Area and on Urban Renewal Plan Amendment (Motion passed 5-0) There was no public comment. Motioned by McOllough seconded by D. Hennigar to close Public Hearing (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by D. Hennigar seconded by Ennis to approve Resolution (24-36) Declare Necessity and Establish an Urban Renewal Area (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by S. Hennigar seconded by Flurer to approve Resolution (24-37) approving a development agreement with Revitalize Developers (Motion passed 5-0).

After an update from ISG representative, motioned by Flurer seconded by S. Hennigar to approve Resolution (24-35) approving pay request #15 with Peterson Construction for WTP \$166,250.00 (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by Flurer seconded by D. Hennigar to approve Resolution (24-29) Public Works Wage Resolution (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by S. Hennigar seconded by Ennis to approve Resolution (24-30) Full-time Wage Resolution (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by D. Hennigar seconded by S. Hennigar to approve Resolution (24-31) Police Wage Resolution (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by McOllough seconded by S. Hennigar to approve Resolution (24-34) approving & authorizing City Attorney Agreement (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by D. Hennigar seconded by Ennis to approve Resolution (24-32) Approving and authorizing Electrical Project with correction to typo on total project cost (Motion passed 5-0).

Motioned by Flurer seconded by S. Hennigar to approve Resolution (24-33) Approving and Authorizing Use of Hotel-Motel Funds (Motion passed 5-0).

Comments from the Council or Dept heads: Chizek commented that the city filed on the burnt house (south 1st St) that was abandoned after the fire. D. Hennigar commented that the group researching a spec house in town are looking at the next steps after touring Sunrise Homes in Iowa Falls. DeVries commented that the streets are being swept to remove debris from the street gutters.

Motioned by D. Hennigar seconded by S. Hennigar to adjourn. All Ayes. (Motion passed 5-0).

Respectfully Submitted,
Clint Middleton City Administrator

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Rod Heiden, Mayor