

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF CLARKSTON

January 6, 2015
7:00 P.M.

Town Council Meeting held at the Clarkston Town Hall, 50 South Main, Clarkston, UT

Attendance: Mayor Kendon Godfrey
Councilmembers: Ann J. Godfrey, Steven Palmer
Nathan Whiting, Richie Calderwood

Kristi Hidalgo, Town Clerk

Also in attendance: N. Gail Godfrey and DeeAnne Godfrey

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Godfrey called the Clarkston Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.
Mayor Godfrey led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered Reverence to begin the meeting.

2. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 15-01 "A Resolution Establishing a Time and Place for Regular Council Meetings" - Mayor Godfrey asked if there was any discussion by the Council prior to passing the resolution. Councilmember A. Godfrey stated that the Martin Harris Pageant Town Dinner would interfere with the Council Meeting scheduled on August 4, 2015. The Council determined to move that meeting to Monday, August 3, 2015. There was no further discussion. Mayor Godfrey read the resolution and asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 15-01. Councilmember R. Calderwood motioned for the Council to approve Resolution 15-01. Councilmember N. Whiting seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Godfrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember A. Godfrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember R. Calderwood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember S. Palmer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember N. Whiting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Resolution 15-02 "A Resolution Amending The Clarkston Town Land Use & Development Management Act (LUDMA) Rules of Procedure for Conduct Of Meetings And Record Keeping" Town Clerk, Kristi Hidalgo, explained the changes to the Council. Mayor Godfrey asked if there was any discussion by the Council prior to passing the Resolution. There was no discussion so Mayor Godfrey read the resolution and asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 15-02. Councilmember A. Godfrey motioned for the Council to approve Resolution 15-02. Councilmember S. Palmer seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Godfrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember A. Godfrey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember R. Calderwood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember S. Palmer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Councilmember N. Whiting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Duane Williams – Property Inquiry – Mr. Williams did not show up to the meeting.

Community Center Use – Exercise – Mayor Godfrey stated there is a group of woman that would like to get together during the week to exercise and would like to use the Community Center to do so. The Council determined that they did not have enough information to make a decision at this time. The Town Clerk, Kristi Hidalgo, will invite Jane Young to the next Town Council Meeting held January 20, 2015 to discuss and answer questions the Council has concerning this.

3. DEPARTMENTS

Mayor Godfrey- Councilmember Organizational Chart – Mayor Godfrey handed out the 2015 Councilmember Organizational Chart.

See Attachment A

Council responsibilities will remain the same as the previous year (2014) except Councilmember A. Godfrey will be over Animal Control and Mayor Godfrey is now over the Roads Department.

HB97 – New State Law Concerning Dogs – Mayor Godfrey reported that the State of Utah passed a law that prohibits municipalities from adopting breed specific ordinances on dogs. This means that municipalities cannot prohibit any breed of dog within their city or town. Mayor Godfrey stated that Clarkston Town does not have any ordinances that prohibit specific dog breeds but there are restrictions placed on specific breeds. Mayor Godfrey read Town Code 5-1-7(E-1, 2) which states the following:

E. Restrictions on Certain Dog Breeds:

1. Hereditary Characteristics: There are certain breeds of dogs, which by their unique hereditary characteristics, owner training and instruction, or through mistreatment, have a propensity to be vicious. The breeds include, but are not limited to, the bull terrier, the American Staffordshire terrier, Staffordshire terrier, Staffordshire bull terrier, American pit bull terrier, tosa, sharpei, rotweiler, German shepherd, and doberman pinscher. The dogs identified under this section:

a. *Must be licensed under the procedures and fees set forth in this chapter;*

b. *Must be kept in a fenced yard, dog run or other structure which is at least six feet (6') in height by six feet (6') wide by ten feet (10') in length;*

c. *Must be on a leash if they are out of a fenced area and left unattended on the owner's property;*

d. *Must be on a leash and under complete control when being walked or exercised on public property, subject to the provisions of subsections E1e and E1f of this section;*

e. *Are not allowed in public places where a program or meeting is in progress or where children are going to or from school;*

f. *Are not allowed on public property without a leash.*

2. *Knowledge of Vicious Propensities: It is unlawful for the owner of a vicious animal, knowing its propensities, to willfully allow it to go at large or to keep it without ordinary care. It is unlawful for any animal, while at large, to cause injury to another animal or to any human being who has taken reasonable precaution.*

Proposed Amendment to Animal Control Ordinance 5-1-9 – Mayor Godfrey explained that there are citizens who receive Delinquent Dog License Citations who pay the citation and then still do not license their dog(s). Town Clerk, Kristi Hidalgo, stated that the Dog Ordinance does not state that proof of licensing is required before a citation can be paid. The Ordinance only states that proof of licensing is required to get a dog out of impoundment. (Town Code 5-1-6 D). Mayor Godfrey proposed amending the Dog Ordinance 5-1-9 to include the following:

Persons must show proof of duly licensed dog(s) before any Delinquent Dog License Citations are paid.

The Council unanimously agreed. At the next Town Council Meeting a resolution will be adopted to include this in the Dog Ordinance. The Council also discussed and decided the following:

If a person(s) pays a Delinquent Dog Citation and fails to license the dog within one (1) month after receiving the citation subsequent citations will be issued.

Cemetery Assistance – The Council discussed hiring another person to help with the Cemetery responsibilities. Mayor Godfrey proposed the following Separation of Duties:

Jerry Godfrey:

- Measure and mark graves
- Level graves and ruts
- Put section markers in – October
- All system maintenance
- Water lawn
- Keep lawn free of debris for mowing
- Remove flowers from graves after burial and holidays
- Gophers and voles (Poison)
- Cover signs for winter
- Put flags on graves for Memorial Day

New Hire:

- Mow
- Trim
- Spray
- Fertilize
- Remove Sod, be present for open/close graves
- Lay out runners for back hoe to drive on when digging graves

2015 Pony Express Day – The Council determined that June 27, 2015 will be the date for this year’s Pony Express Day Celebration.

Annual Open and public Meeting Act Training – Mayor Godfrey informed the Council that Utah State Law requires mayors of cities and towns to train councilmembers annually on the Open and Public Meetings Act. (Utah Code ANN. 52-4-101) Mayor Godfrey used a handout to explain what the Open and Public Meetings Act is, what it requires, and penalties for violating it.

See Attachment B

Councilmember A. Godfrey - Warrant List- Councilmember A. Godfrey presented the Warrant List for December 2014. Councilmember R. Calderwood motioned for the Clarkston Town Council to approve the warrant list as read. Councilmember A. Godfrey seconded the motion. All in favor “Aye”

Councilmember R. Calderwood – Water Department – Councilmember R. Calderwood stated that Bryan Goodsell will be attending the Annual Rural Water Association Conference in St. George this year. He needs to attend this conference to remain certified as a Water Operator.

Sports – Mayor Godfrey stated that Kerri Bailey has been the Sports Director for many years and reminded Councilmember R. Calderwood that the Council agreed to release her from this position. Councilmember R. Calderwood will find a new Sports Director.

Councilmember S. Palmer – LUDMA – Councilmember S. Palmer stated that there are a three open positions in LUDMA. A new Chairman also needs to be appointed. Councilmember S. Palmer reported that he asked Brayden Goodey and Brad Jorgensen to be commissioners. Brayden Goodey accepted and Brad is thinking about it. Councilmember S. Palmer stated that Bob Dahle has agreed to stay on as a commissioner, if needed. The Council determined that Mr. Dahle has respectively filled his term and should be replaced.

Annexation – Mayor Godfrey stated that Clarkston Town needs to adopt an Annexation Plan. Councilmember S. Palmer will do some research on the annexation process and what it entails.

Trucking Business Licenses - Mayor Godfrey asked Councilmember S. Palmer to instruct the LUDMA Commission that when persons come before them seeking a business license for a trucking business that the following restriction needs to be acknowledged on the business license: No trucks or trailers are allowed to be parked on town property. The Council determined that Gerald and Ross Buttars, Jason Buttars, and Monte Godfrey should have business licenses. The Town Clerk will send letters to these individuals advising them that they need to obtain a business license.

Youth Council – New Members - Councilmember S. Palmer reported that the new Youth Council Mayor is Tim Carlsen. The Council approved Katie Goodsell and Halle Goodey as members of the Youth Council.

The Clarkston Town Youth Council:
Mayor Tim Carlsen
Brenan Godfrey
Shannon Rindlisbacher
Shanya Kreivens
Katie Goodsell
Hali Goodey

Councilmember N. Whiting – He reported that everything is going well for the Fire Department and the Parks Department. Mayor Godfrey recommended asking Gail and DeeAnne Godfrey to be on the Neighborhood Watch Team.

4. RELEVANT BUSINESS

Next Meeting - The next meeting will be a Town Council Meeting and will be held Tuesday January 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

5. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember R. Calderwood motioned that the Clarkston Town Council Meeting adjourn. Councilmember A. Godfrey seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”. Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Kristi Hidalgo
Clarkston Town Clerk

