

The Clarion City Council met in regular session Tuesday March 7th, 2023, at 5:00pm in the Council Chambers with Mayor Rod Heiden presiding. Present were Council members Andy Young, Dan Hennigar, Shayne Hennigar (phone/absent) , and Dave Flurer. Nick McOllough was absent. Also in attendance City Administrator Clint Middleton, City Attorney Zach Chizek, Chief TerHark and PWD DeVries.

Mayor Heiden called the meeting to order and polled the council for any conflicts of interest with the agenda. There were none because of the tabled items. Mayor Heiden asked if there were any citizens to address council, there were none.

Motioned by Flurer seconded by Young to approve consent agenda consisting of Minutes-2023.02.21; Financial report- approve checks; Licenses/Permits- (Building, Liquor, Tobacco, Sign, Peddler, Street Closure) Liquor - Fuel, Chappy's; Building - Hennigar (fence). All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by Young seconded by Flurer to open Public Hearing on Max Tax, All Ayes. (3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent). No comments made. Motioned by Flurer seconded by D. Hennigar to close public hearing. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by Young seconded by Flurer to approve Resolution (23-20) approving Max Tax FY24. All Ayes. (Motion passed 4-1, S. Hennigar-phone, McOllough absent).

Motioned by Young seconded by Flurer to approve Resolution (23-21) setting date for Public Hearing for FY24 Budget. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-2, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Nick Fredrickson (ISG) spoke on the Water Treatment Facility Project. He is still working with USDA to get the gap funding approved. New information from the USDA on the Build America by America regulations will put some new hurdles in the way before we can approve the contract. Peterson Construction is up to speed on the delay and is 100% looking forward to the project in Clarion starting.

Motioned by Flurer seconded by Young to table Resolution (23-18) awarding contract for the Water Treatment Facility Project. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by Young seconded by Flurer to approve Third Reading of Ordinance 617 - Amending Chapter 92 Water Rate. Heiden –received one comments at in public. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by Young seconded by D. Hennigar to Accept and Adopt, Ordinance 617 - Amending Chapter 92 Water Rates. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-2, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by D. Hennigar seconded by Flurer to approve Third Reading of Ordinance 618 - Amending Chapter 95 Sewer Rate. Middleton – We have received no comments at City Hall. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by Flurer seconded by Young to Accept and Adopt, Ordinance 618 - Amending Chapter 95 Sewer Rate. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-2, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by D. Hennigar seconded by Young to approve Resolution (23-22) appointing member to Library Board, Kathie Stevens replacing Pam Berry. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-2, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Motioned by Flurer seconded by Young to table Resolution (23-17) approving pay request #7 with CEC for Daycare. All Ayes. (3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Comments from the Council: Young thanked those involved in the impromptu tours of the school, hospital, and Police/Ambulance building for the visitors we had here a couple weeks ago from our sister city in Kosovo. Mayor Heiden was confronted by a citizen wanting to discuss potential lawsuit. They were informed, again, that these discussions can not take place.

Motioned by Young seconded by Flurer to adjourn. All Ayes. (Motion passed 3-0, McOllough & S. Hennigar absent).

Respectfully Submitted,
Clint Middleton City Administrator

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Rod Heiden, Mayor