

The Clarion City Council met in regular session Tuesday February 3rd, 2026, at 5:00pm in the Council Chambers with Mayor Heiden presiding. Present were Council members Dave Flurer, Dan Hennigar, Mike Ennis, Nick McOllough, and Elmarie Nel. Also, in attendance City Administrator Clint Middleton, Attorney Zach Chizek, PWD Jon DeVries and Chief TerHark

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 was one. Aaron Budweg (WCED) presented on the annual report of the Heart of Iowa Housing Trust Fund. This is a multi-county fund that allows homeowners of modest income to receive a forgivable loan to do home repairs up to \$15,000. Budweg commented that there was a home in Clarion that took advantage of this last year. DRIVERS Needed!! For the MIDAS public transit located in Clarion covering Wright County. Budweg is hitting all meetings promoting this.

Motioned by Flurer seconded by Hennigar to approve consent agenda consisting of Minutes- 2026.01.20; Financial report- approve checks; Licenses/Permits- (Building, Liquor, Tobacco, Sign, Peddler, Street Closure) (Motion passed 3-0, absent Hennigar, Ennis).

Nick Fredricksen (ISG) gave an update on the New WTP. Contractor is finishing up with the punch list, doing water quality tests by dialing in the chemicals. Good news, all air issues that have been holding us up have been resolved.

Motioned by Flurer seconded by McOllough to approve Resolution (26-06) City Resolution of Support - Trails (Motion passed 5-0). This is support for a BOOST grant application for Wright County Trails Committee.

Motioned by Flurer seconded by Nel to approve Resolution (26-05) Terminating IEDA Grant Agreement 124 Main Street (Motion passed 5-0).

Early reports from the Council or Dept heads before Budget Workshop: Several Council Persons commented on certain properties that we have been working with over the years to get cleaned up, are sitting stagnant. Direction given to Middleton and TerHark to push forward and get it done, involve the city attorney if needed. Other properties that have been habitual offenders also need to be focused on.

Short break then the council entered the FY27 Budget Workshop.

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Clint Middleton City Administrator

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Rod Heiden, Mayor