

## **Minutes of the Clark Borough meeting – July 14, 2026 6:00PM**

The meeting of Clark Borough Council was called to order by council President Jim Carucci who led in the pledge to the flag on Tuesday July 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Others in attendance were Doug Robbins, Clark Eberhart, Alesha Culp, Jason Engstrom, Carol Houck via phone, Maryjo Harakal, Monica Simko, Attorney Tara Rodrigues and Chief Adam Piccirillo.

Visitors in attendance: Gregg and Lisa Sanford, Ron Sanford, Cyndi and Nikolas Selby and Carl Hoover.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to adjourn the June meeting due to no quorum. The motion was seconded by Alesha Culp and passed with all present voting yes.

Doug Robbins made a motion to accept June minutes as read. This motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with all present voting yes.

Jim Carucci read the Treasurer's Report for the month of June. Clark Eberhart made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Alesha Culp and passed with all present voting yes.

**Visitors:** Ron Sanford, Cyndi Selby, Carl Hoover, Nicholas Selby.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Council members held discussion on the fence installation project on the north side of the property. The quote totaled \$8,166.00 with no assistance from the residents that requested the fence. Therefore, no action will be taken at this time.

### **New Business:**

The summer MCBA meeting is being held on July 23, 2026 at the Courthouse. Carol Houck, Clark Eberhart to attend. Monica Simko and Jim Carucci are tentative.

Council table voting on the Henderson Taylor Park (ballfield) project until August so that the Engineers can revise the project scope.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to accept the resignation of Joe Simko from his council seat effective July 14, 2026. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with all present voting yes.

Council advised Monica Simko to post a notice at the Post Office for the open seat.

Doug Robbins made a motion to advertise the Annual Yard Sale without one-way restrictions. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all present voting yes.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to close the Equipment Reserve, Capital Reserve and Building Fund accounts and move the monies into a 9-month flex CD. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci – Yes, Doug Robbins - Yes, Clark Eberhart - Yes, Alesha Culp - Yes, Jason Engstrom – Yes and Carol Houck via phone – Yes.

**Correspondence:**

None

**Questions for the Solicitor:**

Attorney Rodrigues discussed the amendments with council asking if they are ok with them. Clark Eberhart asked if there could be negotiations on the termination fee. Tara advised that we could try to negotiate the fee down. Also, we could try to decrease the contract term from 10 years to 5 years and that would decrease the fee.

Since Hermitage is now approved for medical, will Clark be included in that once the agreement is signed? Gregg Sanford stated that he believes that is only inside Hermitage City limits.

Alesha Culp, Doug Robbins, Carol Houck and Maryjo Harakal are to attend the meeting with Chief Wadlow on Friday July 17, 2026 at 9:30am. Attorney Tara Rodrigues will also be in attendance.

Maryjo Harakal asked Gregg Sanford why they hired an attorney. Gregg responded that he's only consulted with one and there are legal issues they need advice on. Maryjo asked what it is that they want from the Borough to which Gregg responded, nothing.

Ron Sanford stated that they want to be prepared and cover all their bases. Ron also asked if the Borough was going to terminate the contract with the CVFC. Council answered, yes, as long as both sides agree, the contract can be terminated prior to the 12/31 contracted end date.

Tara Rodrigues asked if they were dissolved. Lisa Sanford stated that they are not yet.

Doug Robbins asked about the \$13k grant they were awarded and will it follow to Hermitage. Gregg Sanford responded with no. He was told they could amend it and submit receipts for what they've already used to get reimbursed. Doug asked if the grant applications increase the square footage of the grant money for Hermitage. Yes it will.

**Officials & Committees:**

**Sewer:**

Clark Eberhart read the Sewer bills for the month of July. Clark Eberhart made a motion to pay sewer bills as read. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with all present voting yes.

Clark discussed with council that he and Jim Miller had replaced an impeller on one of the pumps.

**Fire:**

Maryjo Harakal read the Fire Report for the Month of June. Jason Engstrom made a motion to accept the Fire report as read. The motion was seconded by Jim Carucci and passed with all present voting yes.

Attorney Rodrigues provided a memorandum to review based on changes she would recommend for the Fire agreement due to vagueness in certain areas. Maryjo Harakal had talked with Gary Hinkson regarding the 2026 fee and that it should be prorated since it is already June. Attorney Rodrigues stated that Clark Borough does not need to put the merge out to vote with the community as it is a contracted service. Council agreed with all points provided in the memorandum and asked Attorney Rodrigues to draft a new letter and send to Chief Wadlow for review.

Ron and Gregg Sanford requested to have a copy of the original contract. Attorney Rodrigue did not feel that to be necessary until changes are made and then could provide a copy to the CVFC prior to decisions.

**Police:**

Maryjo Harakal read the Police Report for the Month of June. Doug Robbins made a motion to accept the Fire report as read. The motion was seconded by Jim Carucci and passed with all present voting yes.

**Buildings, Parks & Rec:**

The commercial refrigerator has been replaced.

**Stormwater:**

Clark read a quote from Atwell and Perrine in the amount of \$10,800.00 to complete a drainage ditch project on Milton Street. Doug Robbins made a motion to approve the project pending CW Engineering's review and approval. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci – Yes, Doug Robbins - Yes, Clark Eberhart - Yes, Alesha Culp - Yes, Jason Engstrom – Yes and Carol Houck via phone – Yes.

**Highways:**

Clark Eberhart stated they will be starting the crack sealing project on Monday July 20<sup>th</sup> through Friday July 24<sup>th</sup>. He asked for as much help as possible.

**Payroll, GF and LF Distributions:**

Jim Carucci read the Payroll Distribution - General Fund Distribution and the State Liquid Fuels Distribution for the month of July. Doug Robbins made a motion to pay the bills read. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all voting yes.



**Adjournment:**

Jim Carucci made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom.



Monica Simko, Secretary/Treasurer