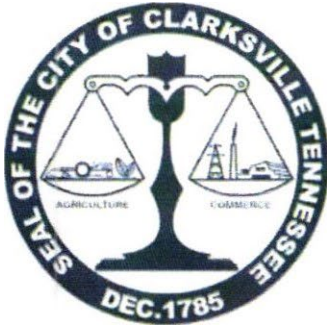




City of Clarksville Public Safety Committee

October 16, 2024 at 4:00 PM
City Hall Conference Room

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The City of Clarksville Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order by Councilperson Keri Lovato on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 4:00 PM.

2. Announce Members in Attendance (verify quorum)

COUNCILPERSONS

PRESENT:

Councilperson Keri Lovato
Councilperson Brian Zacharias
Councilperson Joe Shakeenab
Councilperson Amber Marquis (arrived at 4:02)

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ABSENT:

Chairperson Wallace Redd

OTHERS PRESENT:

Justin Crosby, Director of Building and Codes
Richard Stalder, Deputy Chief CPD
Freddie Montgomery, Chief of Clarksville Fire Rescue
Ernie Griffith, City Court
Stephanie Fox, Director of Internal Audit

3. Approval of Minutes

A. [Public Safety Committee Minutes 9-18-2024](#)

Councilperson Shakeenab made a motion to add the September 18, 2024, meeting minutes as written; Councilperson Zacharias seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the September 18, 2024 minutes passed unanimously.

4. Department Reports

A. [Building & Codes Department Reports](#)

Justin Crosby, Director of Building and Codes, presented the department's monthly report. In September, the Construction Division completed 2,845 inspections, while Code Enforcement opened 438 new cases. The Abatement Division carried out 50 work orders, and the department's total revenue for the month was \$277,785.49.

B. [Clarksville Fire Rescue Reports](#)

Freddie Montgomery, Chief of Clarksville Fire Rescue, presented the monthly report for the department. He highlighted that in September, the department responded to 1,731 calls, with 72% being emergency medical calls and 20 classified as working fires. Additionally, the ten recruits who began training in September are now in their third week.

C. [Clarksville Police Department Reports](#)

Richard Stalder, Deputy Chief of the Clarksville Police Department presented the department's monthly report. He noted that out of the department's 348 allocated positions, 339 are currently filled, leaving only nine vacancies. On November 4th, seven cadets will be sworn in, including one pre-certified officer who will attend a transition academy. Additionally, nine cadets are set to graduate from the Walter State Academy on December 5th. In September, the CPD responded to 14,049 calls for service.

5. Committee Action Required

6. City Council Action Required

7. Other Business

Chief Court Clerk Ernie Griffith presented the City Court's monthly report, highlighting that in September, the court collected \$142,459.14 in total revenue. They had a total of 1,880 citations and 2,067 violations.

A. [Discuss Traffic Calming Measures](#) (Councilperson Marquis)

Councilperson Marquis led a discussion on traffic calming measures to address neighborhood speeding complaints. She noted that the current program, established in 2002, needs updating with input from both the Clarksville Police Department and Fire Rescue. The primary concern is how speed bumps may affect emergency response times. Councilperson Marquis emphasized the need to strike a balance between reducing speeds and minimizing the impact on emergency services.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Councilperson Joe Shakeenab; Councilperson Brian Zacharias seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:14 pm.

9. Public Comment

(allows 3 persons; 5 minutes each)