



City of Clarksville Public Safety Committee

December 17, 2025 at 4:30 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, December 17, 2025 at 4:30 PM.

2. Announce Members in Attendance (verify quorum)

COUNCILPERSONS

PRESENT: Councilperson Keri Lovato
Councilperson Jimmy Brown
Councilperson Amber Marquis
Councilperson Joe Shakeenab
Councilperson Brian Zacharias

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Pitts

Justin Crosby, Director of Building and Codes
Freddie Montgomery, Chief of Clarksville Fire Rescue
Jobe Moore, Deputy of Logistics Fire Rescue
Jim Eley, Deputy Chief of Operations Fire Rescue
Charles "Ty" Burdine, Chief of Clarksville Police Department
Ernie Griffith, Chief Court Clerk
Jimmy Settle, Communications Director
Stephanie Fox, Director of Internal Audit
Kristi Ohlschwager, Deputy Director of Human Resources

3. Approval of Minutes

A. [Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes November 19, 2025](#)

Councilperson Keri Lovato made a motion to adopt the November 19, 2025 meeting minutes as written; Councilperson Amber Marquis seconded the motion. The motion to adopt the minutes passed unanimously.

4. Department Reports

A. Building & Codes Department Reports

Justin Crosby, Director of Building and Codes, reported that in November, the Construction Division completed 2,298 inspections, Code Enforcement handled 111 new cases, and the Abatement Division worked 29 work orders. Total revenue for the month was \$171,165.14

B. Clarksville Police Department Reports

Chief Ty Burdine reported that in November, the Clarksville Police Department handled 11,500 total activities. Chief Burdine stated that the top five roadways where citations are issued are Ft. Campbell Blvd., Wilma Rudolph Blvd., Warfield Blvd., Tiny Town Rd. and Madison St. 195 roadway citations were cited in the past two weeks. He announced upcoming promotions and retirements. The total amount collected from citations for the month of November was \$110,176.50 from 1,928 citations and 2,135 charges.

C. Clarksville Fire Rescue Reports

Chief Freddie Montgomery reported that in November, Clarksville Fire Rescue responded to 1,800 calls, with 70% being medical, and 14 structure fires resulting in an estimated \$300,000 in damage. The department currently has 34 vacancies, with 16 personnel currently in the academy. The maintenance division completed 46 work orders, and the fire prevention division conducted 362 inspections, with the number being low due to one inspector vacancy.

D. Municipal Court Reports

Ernie Griffith, Chief Court Clerk, reviewed the City Court monthly report. In November a total of 1,928 citations and 2,135 violations were issued. The department collected \$110,176.50 in fines.

5. New Business

A. EMR Standards Update: Chief Freddie Montgomery

Chief Montgomery introduced a discussion regarding the adjustment to the Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) as the minimum standard for CFR. This is part of a six-year push to solidify across all positions. The necessity stems from the fact that approximately 80% of CFR's response calls are medical, yet not all personnel are able to provide the minimum EMR level of service. The goal is to raise the minimum standard to ensure all personnel can provide standard medical care and fill the service gap. CFR will use a 3-phase implementation plan to adjust the pay of all personnel as they meet the EMR standard, bringing them up to base level pay of \$52,347.

6. Public Comment

(allows 3 persons; 5 minutes each)

7. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Keri Lovato. The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 PM.

ADOPTED: JANUARY 21, 2026