



**City of Helena
City Commission Meeting
January 22, 2024 – 6:00 PM
Zoom Online Meeting; <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89839535741>
City County Building Commission Chambers, Room 330**

Time & Place

A regular City Commission meeting was held on Monday, January 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom Online Meeting ID: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89839535741> and physically in the City County Building Commission Chambers, Room 330.

Call to Order and Roll Call

(00:00:25) The following responded present, either via zoom or in person:

City Attorney Dockter
City Manager Burton
Commissioner Dean
Commissioner Shirliff
Commissioner Logan
Commissioner Reed
Mayor Collins

Pledge of Allegiance

(00:01:35) Mayor Collins asked attendees to please stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

- A. 1-4-24 Sidewalk Summit
- B. 1-8-24 Commission Meeting
- C. 1-17-24 Admin Meeting

(00:02:17) **There being no comments or questions from the Commission, Mayor Collins accepted Minutes A, B, and C.**

Presentations

- A. **Confirmation of Firefighters Anna Peabody and Eric Dunn, having successfully completed their probationary year**



- (00:02:30) Mayor Pro Tem Dean presented Item A.
- (00:02:50) Fire Chief Campbell introduced firefighters Anna Peabody and Eric Dunn.
- (00:04:05) Mayor Pro Tem Dean administered Oaths.
- (00:06:24) Commissioner Shirliff, Commissioner Logan, Commissioner Reed, and Mayor Collins welcomed and thanked the firefighters for their service.
- (00:07:49) **Commissioner Logan made a motion to approve confirmation of Firefighters Peabody and Dunn. Commissioner Shirliff seconded the motion.**

- (00:08:08) Mayor Pro Tem Dean called for a vote.
- Commissioner Shirliff voted: **Aye**
- Commissioner Logan voted: **Aye**
- Commissioner Reed voted: **Aye**
- Mayor Pro Tem Dean voted: **Aye**
- Mayor Collins voted: **Aye**
- The motion carried 5:0.**

B. Consider Confirmation of Officer John Strandberg

- (00:08:42) Police Chief Petty presented Item B.
- (00:10:27) Officer Strandberg addressed the Commission.
- (00:11:06) Commissioner Logan, Commissioner Reed, Mayor Collins, and Commissioner Shirliff thanked and welcomed Officer Stranberg.
- (00:12:00) **Commissioner Shirliff made a motion to approve confirmation of Officer John Strandberg. Commissioner Logan seconded the motion.**
- (00:12:26) Mayor Pro Tem Dean called for a vote.
- Commissioner Shirliff voted: **Aye**
- Commissioner Logan voted: **Aye**
- Commissioner Reed voted: **Aye**
- Mayor Pro Tem Dean voted: **Aye**
- Mayor Collins voted: **Aye**
- The motion carried 5:0.**



Board Appointments

A. Board Appointments: Affordable Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board, Citizens Conservation Board, Helena Public Art Committee, City/County Consolidated Parks Board, City/County Consolidated Planning Board, City Planning Commission, Railroad Urban Renewal District TIF Advisory Board, Tourism Business Improvement District, Zoning Commission

(00:13:04) Mayor Collins presented Item A.

(00:17:04) Commissioner Shirliff asked Mayor Collins for clarification of motion language.

(00:17:34) **Commissioner Shirliff made a motion to approve appointments for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board, Citizens Conservation Board, Helena Public Art Committee, City/County Consolidated Parks Board, City/County Consolidated Planning Board, City Planning Commission, Railroad Urban Renewal District TIF Advisory Board, Tourism Business Improvement District, and Zoning Commission. Commissioner Dean seconded the motion.**

(00:21:46) Mayor Collins called for a vote.

Commissioner Shirliff voted: **Aye**

Commissioner Logan voted: **Aye**

Commissioner Reed voted: **Aye**

Commissioner Dean voted: **Aye**

Mayor Collins voted: **Aye**

The motion carried 5:0.

Consent Agenda

A. Claims

(00:22:41) Finance Director Danielson presented Item A.

(00:23:38) **Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item A. Commissioner Logan seconded the motion.**

(00:23:51) Mayor Collins called for a vote.

Commissioner Shirliff voted: **Aye**

Commissioner Logan voted: **Aye**



Commissioner Reed voted: **Aye**

Commissioner Dean voted: **Aye**

Mayor Collins voted: **Aye**

The motion carried 5:0.

Communications/Proposals from Commissioners

(00:24:14) Commissioner Logan discussed the City Manager's impending annual performance evaluation.

(00:25:11) Commissioner Dean and Commissioner Shirliff explained their reasoning for support.

Report of the City Attorney

(00:26:24) City Attorney Dockter had nothing to report.

Report of the City Manager

(00:26:31) City Manager Burton had nothing to report.

Communications from the Helena Citizens Council

(00:26:48) HCC Representative Ben Kuiper had nothing to report.

Regular Items

A. Hazardous Materials Response Grant and Training Grant Awards from Montana DES to the Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team Helena Fire Department.

(00:27:23) Fire Chief Campbell presented Item A.

(00:28:13) Commissioner Dean asked Chief Campbell about Hazmat Funding from the State, to provide more context about the Hazmat facility in Montana City, and how this impacts training.

(00:30:57) **Commissioner Logan made a motion to approve the Hazardous Materials Response Grant Award and Hazardous Materials Training Symposium Grant Award. Commissioner Shirliff seconded the motion.**

(00:31:22) Mayor Collins called for a vote.



Commissioner Shirliff voted: **Aye**
Commissioner Logan voted: **Aye**
Commissioner Reed voted: **Aye**
Commissioner Dean voted: **Aye**
Mayor Collins voted: **Aye**

The motion carried 5:0.

**B. MOU with Lewis & Clark County re: Montana Opioid Abatement Trust
Metro Region Governance Structure**

(00:32:20) Grants Administrator Opitz presented Item B.

(00:34:55) **Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve Montana
Opioid Abatement Trust Metro Region Governance Structure
MOU with Lewis & Clark County. Commissioner Reed
seconded the motion.**

(00:35:18) Mayor Collins called for a vote.

Commissioner Shirliff voted: **Aye**
Commissioner Logan voted: **Aye**
Commissioner Reed voted: **Aye**
Commissioner Dean voted: **Aye**
Mayor Collins voted: **Aye**

The motion carried 5:0.

Public Communications

(00:35:54) Commissioner Shirliff acknowledged East Helena's Rick Pyfer Day.

Adjournment

(00:36:45) There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 6:37pm.



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MAYOR

ATTEST:

CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION