



**CLARKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION
JANUARY 2, 2019**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

A special session of the Clarksville City Council was called to order by City Attorney Lance Baker on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, at 4:12 p.m. at the Wilma Rudolph Event Center, 1188 Cumberland Drive, Clarksville, Tennessee.

The American Flag and Tennessee Flag were posted by the Clarksville Police Department Color Guard.

A prayer was offered by Pastor William Luffman, Faith Outreach Church; the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kaylie Hill.

Mayor's Office Executive Assistant, LaVon Bracey, sang the National Anthem.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Vondell Richmond (Ward 2), Ron Erb (Ward 3), Tim Chandler (Ward 4), Valerie Guzman (Ward 5), Wanda Smith (Ward 6), Travis Holleman (Ward 7), David Allen (Ward 8), Jeff Henley (Ward 9), Stacey Streetman (Ward 10), Jeff Burkhart (Ward 12)

ABSENT: Richard Garrett (Ward 1), Bill Powers (Ward 11)

OATH OF OFFICE OF MAYOR

Mr. Baker introduce the Honorable Tim Barnes, Montgomery County Juvenile Court Judge, who administered the Oath of Office of Mayor to Joe Pitts who was elected by a majority of the voters city-wide on November 6, 2018.

Mayor Pitts said the New Year was a time to turn the page to a new chapter and new season. He said Clarksville would move forward, face headwinds, share in prosperity, eliminate lack, and find common ground and solutions together. He said with newness and success, the City has an obligation to ensure that every citizen and every neighborhood share in every achievement and victory. Mayor Pitts said although residents come from different states and different countries, with different backgrounds, perspectives, faiths, and opinions, everyone should move boldly together into the New Year in unity.

OATH OF OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Pitts administered the Oath of Office of City Council to the following members elected by a majority of the voters in their respective wards on November 6, 2018:

WARD 2: Councilman Vondell Richmond
WARD 6: Councilwoman Wanda Smith
WARD 7: Councilman Travis Holleman
WARD 10: Councilwoman Stacey Streetman

NOTE: Councilman Richard Garrett Ward 1) was scheduled to take the Oath of Office on January 7, 2019, at City Hall; Councilman Bill Powers (Ward 11) was scheduled to take the Oath of Office during the City Council's Executive Session on January 3, 2019.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION

Elizabeth Black, Election Administrator, presented each official with their Certificate of Election signed by members of the Montgomery County Election Commission.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Mayor Pitts made a motion to elect Councilman David Allen, Ward 8, as Mayor Pro Tem for the designated two-year term. The motion was seconded by Councilman Chandler. A voice vote was taken; the motion passed.

RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS

The American Flag and Tennessee Flag were retired by the Clarksville Police Department Color Guard.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.