

Town of Clyde Park^[L]_[SEP] Town Hall Development Committee Meeting Minutes^[L]_[SEP] April 2, 2026

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Mayor Sydney Wiley.

2. Roll Call / Attendees

- Mayor Sydney Wiley
- Council Member Cathy Romey
- Carla Williams
- Tracy Fremont
- Colton Jones
- Shaun Jones
- Bobbi Jo Jones

3. Committee Organization

Mayor Wiley recommended the appointment of a committee chair and secretary.

- **Chair:** Carla Williams
- **Secretary:** Bobbi Jo Jones

4. Business Items

4.1 Methodist Church Purchase Consideration

Mayor Wiley provided an update regarding the potential purchase of the Methodist Church property. She reported that the realtor indicated the property would be placed on the market for public sale if the Town of Clyde Park does not proceed with a buy-sell agreement.

Mayor Wiley also relayed input from a former community member with longstanding ties to both the Methodist Church and the Town of Clyde Park, who suggested the possibility of submitting an offer at approximately 10% of the asking price.

Following extensive discussion, the committee determined that pursuing the purchase of the Methodist Church property is not in the best interest of the Town of Clyde Park. Factors contributing to this decision include:

- Existing financial obligations: including water system repairs, outstanding debt, and road maintenance expenses.
- Lack of available funds for property acquisition.
- Known and potential unknown costs associated with the church and parsonage structures,

including significant structural concerns (foundation, walls, roof), a past extensive water leak, and potential issues such as mold and asbestos.

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Motion: Shaun Jones moved to advise the Town Council to discontinue the pursuit of purchasing the Methodist Church purchase.^{[[SEP]]}**Second:** Cathy Romey^{[[SEP]]}**Vote:** Motion carried unanimously

4.2 Town Hall Facility Evaluation

The committee discussed the condition of the existing Town Hall and potential future options.

The following actions were identified:

- Compile a comprehensive list of deficiencies and maintenance needs (major and minor) for the current facility.
- Obtain preliminary repair cost estimates from local contractors, as a formal structural engineering assessment has not been conducted due to financial constraints.
- Develop a needs assessment for a potential new facility: including space requirements, number of rooms, and functional considerations.
- Explore the feasibility of constructing a new building on property currently owned by the Town of Clyde Park.
- Investigate potential funding opportunities (including assistance through the Community Foundation, Hoot, fundraising efforts, and private donations) once a project scope and funding goal are established.
- The committee wants to be mindful of the taxpayers and avoiding any unnecessary increase in taxes and/or expenses while evaluating and pursuing potential options.

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**Committee members will continue to evaluate these options and present findings at a future meeting.

5. Adjournment

Motion: Tracy Fremont^{[[SEP]]}**Second:** Colton Jones

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.