

**MINUTES OF A WORK SESSION OF THE CLARKSVILLE
TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON APRIL 21, 2014**

A work session of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on April 21, 2014, at 7:36 P.M. in the executive conference room of the Clarksville Municipal Center Administration Building by Council President Bob Polston who chaired the meeting.

Council members present: Bob Polston, Paul Kraft, Bob Popp, Tim Hauber, Don Tetley, Paul Fetter and John Gilkey. Also present at the meeting Town Clerk Treasurer Robert Leuthart, Attorney Chris Sturgeon, Town Attorney Rebecca Lockard, Town Court Judge Mickey Weber, Planning Consultant Sharon Wilson, Planning Assistant Phyllis Pooler, Project Coordinator Brittany Montgomery, Parks Superintendent Brian Kaluzny, and Deputy Clerk Treasurer Sherry Lockard.

Request for Wage Increase... Town Court Judge Mickey Weber came back before the council requesting wage increases for two of the court clerks in his office, after this matter was taken under advisement at the last meeting. Discussion was held regarding the work responsibilities of the two employees and the amount of the increase. Judge Weber presented a document showing requested amount and advised the Council of the employees' duties. After further discussion, Council Member Popp advised that a committee should be set up regarding establishing a procedure for raises given at times other than salary ordinance submissions or the budgeting process. Council Member Popp appointed Anita Neeld to head up the committee and establish it and the department heads can go through the committee and then the committee would give a recommendation to the Council. At this time, no vote was taken on this matter. Council President Polston advised that once the committee was formed, then these two employees would be first on the list.

After Prom Party Discussion... Clarksville High School once again requested donations from the Town for the After Prom Party. Discussion was held and Council Members decided to do as they did last year and donate their personal funds in lieu of Town funds.

Discussion on Sign Ordinance Requirements

Planning Director Sharon Wilson presented to the Council requirements to be discussed regarding the Sign Ordinance. After Ms. Wilson presented an overview, specific topics were discussed: (1) # of feet a sign can be from a residence (2) brightness level of lights, the regulation and enforcement of brightness (3) billboard signs (4) premise LED signs (5) replacing existing signs on interstate with digital signs. After discussion, several consensuses of Council on these matters were taken:

-It was a consensus of members of Council to allow billboards to be digital-with no flash or transition and must maintain state regulations for changing, with a distance of 1,000 feet between signs and 200 feet from pole to pole in regards to signs close to a residence.

-Regarding Premise signs, the consensus of the Council was 6-1, with Council Member Gilkey voting nay, to leave the ordinance as is.

-Rosalie Lamping made a request regarding Section 200-80 to include the 6x24 for directional signage off premise sign (2 square feet). The consensus of the Council on this matter was 7-0, and Planning Director Sharon Wilson advised she would add this to the ordinance.

-Political Signs: The consensus on the size of political signs was 4-3, with Council President Polston, and Council Members Tetley, Kraft and Popp approving the maximum size of 16 square feet, while Council Members Gilkey, Hauber and Fetter would like signs allowed to be larger than 16 square feet. All Council Members were in agreement that signs could be posted on Municipal property for 30 days prior to election and 60 days for private property. All Council Members were in agreement to leave ordinance as is regarding the allowing political signs on Municipal property.

Approval to Proceed in obtaining a grant from the Port Authority... Chief of Police Mark Palmer requested permission to proceed in the process of obtaining a grant with the assistance of Government Resource Coordinator Scott Johnson. Chief Palmer advised this was a non-matching grant and would be used for cameras on Riverside Drive. Chief Palmer advised the cameras were all weather, impact resistant, and basically maintenance free. Council Member

Gilkey made a motion granting permission to proceed in obtaining the Port Authority Grant. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Street Commissioner Brad Cummings presented to the Council the Paving Bid documents for informational purposes only at this time. Commissioner Cummings will bring to Council at a later date for approval.

Street Commissioner Brad Cummings also made a request to the Council for a consensus vote to start a search for purchasing 2 salt spreaders and overhauling 2 dump truck bodies, with a cost of approximately \$45,000.00. The consensus of all council members on this matter is yes.

Adjournment... There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Kraft made a motion to adjourn, Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:27P.M.

Minutes prepared by the Clerk-Treasurer of
The Town of Clarksville, Indiana

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council
on the 5th of May 2014

Robert P Leuthart, Clerk-Treasurer
Of the Town of Clarksville, IN

Bob Polston, President
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