

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL HELD  
ON FEBRUARY 02, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on February 02, 2015, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Clarksville Municipal Center Administration Building by Council President Bob Polston who chaired the meeting.

Council members present: Bob Polston, Paul Kraft, John Gilkey, Don Tetley, Bob Popp, Tim Hauber, and Paul Fetter. Also present at the meeting Clerk Treasurer, Robert Leuthart, Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon, Fire Chief Tom Upton, Police Chief Mark Palmer, Street Superintendent Brad Cummings, Director of Stormwater Tom Clevidence, Wastewater Superintendent Mike Otto, Planning Consultant Sharon Wilson, Parks Superintendent Brian Kaluzny, Building Commissioner Ipo Majuri, Administrative Assistant Anita Elliott-Neeld, Redevelopment Director Nick Lawrence, Project Coordinator Brittany Montgomery and Deputy Clerk Sherry Lockard.

**Public Comments...** None

**Swearing in of Officer Matt Bauer...** Officer Bauer was sworn in by Judge James Guilfoyle. Chief Palmer noted that Officer Bauer comes from a long line of police officers, and along with many other accomplishments, he was Reserve Officer of the year. Officer Bauer will be headed to the Academy for 16 weeks.

**Presentation by the Historic Preservation Commission...** Jane Sarles and April Hauber, of the Historic Preservation Commission, advised they were following through with their commitment and presented a check to the Town in the amount of \$20,000.00 for repayment of half of the money loaned to them to repair the Spond House.

**Approval of 2015-S-03, amending salary ordinance for 2015...** Town attorney Chris Sturgeon presented 2015-S-03, amending original salary ordinance by adding an additional full time employee to the Town Court. For the first reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2015-S-03. Council Member Kraft seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. For the second reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2015-S-03. Council Member Kraft seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Contract with Frost Brown and Todd...** The contract with Frost Brown and Todd for bond counsel, in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, was presented for council approval for work on the 2005 Bond Refunding Services. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve the contract. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Contract with Stantec for Stormwater Services...** The contract with Stantec for services for Stormwater in the amount of \$16,820.00 was presented to council for approval. Council Member Fetter made a motion to approve contract with Stantec. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Council Comments**

Mr. Kraft: Mr. Kraft commented on the report that stated we have the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest crime rate in Indiana???. Chief Palmer commented on this and stated the formula that calculated this report is flawed due to the fact that we have a relatively small population, but have a large number of retailers. Chief Palmer stated that our population could double or triple on good business days, thus the increase in criminal acts. Chief Palmer stated that our arrest rate is up from previous years. Mr. Kraft stated that we have the best police department in the area and thinks the police department is doing a great job.

Mr. Polston: Mr. Polston stated numbers are just numbers and encouraged the police department to continue with their great work.

Mr. Gilkey: Mr. Gilkey commended the police department for doing a great job and advised that good policing is necessary. Mr. Gilkey also reminded all that tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. public comments will be taken (and are needed as this is very important to Clarksville) regarding the expansion of the Lewis & Clark Trail Extension.

Mr. Fetter: Mr. Fetter congratulated Chief Palmer and all officers on the work that they do and that the statistical numbers will eventually go down. Mr. Fetter also stated it was good to see so many people here at the meeting.

Mr. Hauber: Mr. Hauber stated with us being a narrow strip of land and our geographical location (surrounded by larger cities), that doesn't help us with the criminal statistics.

Mr. Tetley: Mr. Tetley stated that the firefighters are taking part in a community action by reading to children in grades K-2, with 14 firefighters volunteering for the community action.

Mr. Tetley thanked all those involved with the Historic Preservation Commission as they are the hardest work group of individuals and get paid nothing.

**Approval of Claims...** Accounts payable registers presented for approval consisted of Town current claims in the amount of \$436,727.32, Town pre-approved claims issued through 02/02/2015 in the amount of \$209,858.96, Town, Wastewater, and Stormwater Payroll claims for payroll ending 01/04/2015 in the amount of \$401,832.07, and for week ending 01/18/2015 in the amount of \$337,483.22. Wastewater/Stormwater utility current claims in the amount of \$25,414.30, Wastewater/Stormwater utility prewritten claims in the amount of \$858,228.59. Council Member Kraft made a motion to approve claims registers presented. Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Adjournment...** There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to adjourn, Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22.

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

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council  
on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2015

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Robert P. Leuthart, Clerk-Treasurer  
Town of Clarksville, IN

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Bob Polston, President,  
Clarksville Town Council