

MINUTES OF A WORK SESSION OF THE CLARKSVILLE  
TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON JUNE 1, 2015

A work session of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on June 1, 2015, at 7:31 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, Don Tetley, John Gilkey, Bob Popp, Tim Hauber, Paul Fetter. Also present at the meeting Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon, Town Attorney Rebecca Lockard, Redevelopment Director Nick Lawrence, Administrative Assistant Anita Neeld, Street Commissioner Brad Cummings, Project Coordinator Brittany Montgomery, Assistant Chief of Police David Kirby, and Deputy Clerk Sherry Lockard.

**Mike Fahrback of Constellation Energy...** Mr. Fahrback came before the council with an update regarding our energy bill with Vectren and Constellation. Mr. Fahrback advised that we saved approximately \$14,000.00 last year by joining this program. Mr. Fahrback would like to extend our participation in this program for another year and advised council if they had any questions to please contact him, otherwise it will be brought before the next meeting for a vote.

**Discussion regarding Message Boards...** Project Coordinator and Street Commissioner Brad Cummings came back to the council with an overview of questions that needed answers from previous work session. Message boards could be used for flood events, Thunder Over Louisville, Road Closures, Holiday Events, Community Events, and curb painting (see Memo for full list of uses). The initial purchase of message boards would be approximately \$14,000-\$18,000.00, with a battery life of 3 years and low annual maintenance (cleaning and occasional new tires). It was advised to bring this back to the next council meeting with exact pricing for a vote. No action taken at this meeting.

**Amendment to Ray Lawrence Park Contract...** Project Coordinator Brittany Montgomery and Harold Hart came before the council requesting an amendment to original contract amount regarding the design of Ray Lawrence Park. Additional site visits were done, additional meetings and correspondence with IDEM had to take place, wetland delineation of Ennis property mitigation site for the project and preparation for a mitigation site plan, topographic survey of Ennis property mitigation site and stakeout of proposed property lines, existing wetland, and marking specific trees for removal all had to be completed before moving forward with project. (see addendum) The amount of the change order amendment is \$9,150.00. It was advised to bring this matter to the next council meeting for a vote.

**Recommendation of replacement of retiring Assistant Street Commissioner...** Street Commissioner Brad Cummings came before the council with his recommendation of Assistant Street Commissioner, to replace retiring Asst. Street Commissioner Donnie Hansford. Street Commissioner Cummings recommends Mike Huff for this position, stating that he is a vital team member, with great enthusiasm and dedication. (see letter of recommendation) It was advised to bring this before the council at their next meeting for a vote.

**Request to Hire Additional Police Officer...** Assistant Chief David Kirby came before the council to request for an additional police officer. Asst. Chief Kirby advised this could be done under their current budget without additional funding from the Town. Deputy Clerk Treasurer Sherry Lockard advised she had been in communication with the police department regarding this matter and advised they did have the money in their current budget by using the School Resource Officer line item (as SBOA does not allow us to reimburse this line item for SRO), along with unused sellback days line item and the longevity line item for future funding. It was also stated that an amendment to the salary ordinance would need to be prepared. It was advised to bring this before the council at their next meeting for consideration.

**Request for Approval of Grant for additional hiring of police officers...** Lt. Shane Bassett gave a brief overview of the COPS hiring grant and requested permission to apply for this grant. At this time, this was just an introduction for the council to think about the request to apply for grant. No action taken at this meeting.

**Adjournment**... There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Council Member Fetter made a motion to adjourn, Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 P.M.

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

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

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council  
on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 2015

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Bob Polston, President  
Clarksville Town Council