

MINUTES OF A REORGANIZATION MEETING OF
THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON JANUARY 4, 2016

A meeting of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on January 4, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the meeting room of the Clarksville Municipal Center Administration Building by Clerk Treasurer, Robert Leuthart, who chaired the meeting.

Council members present: Paul Fetter, Tim Hauber, John Gilkey, David Worrall, Jennifer Voignier, and Aaron Stonecipher. Absent: David Fisher. Also present at the meeting: Clerk-Treasurer Robert Leuthart, Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon, Fire Chief Brandon Skaggs, Chief of Police Mark Palmer, MSDW Director Tom Clevidence, Street Commissioner Brad Cummings, Wastewater Superintendent Mike Otto, Project Coordinator Brittany Montgomery, Planning Consultant Sharon Wilson, Parks Superintendent Brian Kaluzny, Council Administrative Assistant Anita Neeld, Redevelopment Director Nick Lawrence, and Deputy Clerk Sherry Lockard.

Election of Council President for One-Year Term... With Clerk-Treasurer Robert Leuthart conducting the meeting for the nomination and election of a council president to serve in 2016, Mr. Leuthart asked for a nomination for Council President. Council Member Stonecipher nominated Paul Fetter for the office of council president for 2016. Mr. Leuthart asked if there were any other nominations. None were given. Council Member Hauber seconded the nomination for Paul Fetter to serve as Council President and was approved by a 5-0-1 vote, with council member Fetter abstaining. Council Member Fetter assumed the chair as Council President.

-Council President Fetter made an announcement of procedures for voting on ordinances and resolutions stating that discussion will be held at the work sessions prior to requesting approval at the next scheduled meeting. Council President Fetter also stated that meetings will now begin with an invocation prayer.

-Invocation given by Andy Bramer, of One Community Church, 1810 Blackiston Mill Road.

Election of Vice President of Council for One Year Term... Council Member Voignier nominated Council Member Hauber for Vice President of Council. No other nominations were given. Council Member Stonecipher seconded the nomination and was approved by a 5-0-1 vote, with Council Member Hauber abstaining. Council Member Hauber assumed the position as Vice President.

Election of Secretary of Council for One Year Term... Council Member Hauber nominated Council Member Stonecipher for Secretary of Council. No other nominations were given. Council Member Voignier seconded the nomination and was approved by a 5-0-1 vote, with Council Member Stonecipher abstaining. Council Member Stonecipher assumed the position as Secretary.

Approval of Appointments of Council Members to Town Departments by Council President Fetter...

Police Department: Council Member Hauber
Fire Department: Council Member Stonecipher
Street Department/Public Works: Council Member Worrall
Parks Department: Council Member Gilkey
Building Commission: Council Member Fisher
Planning Department: Council Member Voignier
Wastewater Treatment Plant: Council President Fetter

Council Member Hauber made a motion to approve appointments made by Council President Fetter. Council Member Worrall seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Approval of Selection of Department Heads and Assistants...

-Police Chief & Assistant Chief: Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to appoint Mark Palmer as Chief of Police and David Kirby as Assistant Chief, based upon the recommendation of the Police and Fire Commission. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Fire Chief, Assistant Chief, and Fire Marshal: Council Member Hauber made a motion to appoint Brandon Skaggs as Fire Chief, Dennis Johnson as Assistant Fire Chief and Brent Wilson as Fire Marshal. Council Member Worrall seconded the motion and was carried by a 5-0-1 vote, with Council Member Stonecipher abstaining.

-Street Commissioner, Assistant Street Commissioner and Project Coordinator: Council Member Worrall made a motion to appoint Brad Cummings as Street Commissioner, Mike Huff as Assistant Street

Commissioner and Brittany Montgomery as Project Coordinator. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Building Commissioner: Council Member Worrall made a motion to appoint Rick Barr as building commissioner. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 5-0-1 vote, with Council Member Stonecipher abstaining.

-Redevelopment Director: Council Member Voignier made a motion to appoint Nick Lawrence as Redevelopment Director. Council Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Planning Director: Council Member Gilkey made a motion to appoint Sharon Wilson as Planning Director. Council Member Voignier seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Administrative Assistant/Human Resources Director: Council Member Worrall made a motion to appoint Anita Neeld as Administrative Assistant/Human Resources Director. Council Member Stonecipher seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Wastewater Plant Superintendent: Council Member Gilkey made a motion to appoint Mike Otto as WW Plant Superintendent. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Approval of Council Appointments to Plan Commission:

-Council Member Worrall nominated Council Member Hauber to the Plan Commission. Council Member Voignier seconded the nomination and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Stonecipher nominated Council Member Worrall to the Plan Commission. Council Member Hauber seconded the nomination and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Stonecipher nominated Council Member Voignier to the Plan Commission. Council Member Worrall seconded the nomination and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Citizen Appointments to Plan Commission by Council President Fetter...

Cary Stemle (2016-2019), Lois Englebretson (2016-2019), and Bryan Wickens (2016-2019).

Citizen Appointments to Board of Zoning Appeals by Council President Fetter...

Richard Riggle (2016) and Lois Englebretson (2016-2019)

Citizen Appointments to Building Commission by Council President Fetter...

Dee Shelton (2016-2018), Brandon Schiller (2016-2017), Jerry Metzger (2014-2016)

Appointments to Redevelopment Commission...

-Council President Fetter appointed: himself, Council Members Stonecipher, and Voignier.

-Advisory Member (School Board): Bill Wilson

-Council Member Worrall nominated David Fisher to serve on the redevelopment commission. Council Member Hauber seconded the nomination and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Stonecipher nominated Don Slone to the redevelopment commission. Council Member Hauber seconded the nomination and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Appointments to the Economic Development Commission...

-Thomas Sellmer (2014-2017), Doug Fisher (2015-2018), and Brandon Schiller (County).

Appointments to the Metropolitan Board of Police, Fire and Safety Commission...

-Council Member Stonecipher nominated James Payne (2015-2017). Council Member Worrall seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Hauber nominated Mark Sutherland (2016-2018). Council Member Worrall seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Appointment to Parks and Recreation Board...

-Council Member Voignier nominated Leslie Sutherland. Council Member Hauber seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Appointments to Redevelopment Authority...

-Council President Fetter appointed Brian Kaluzny (2016-2018), Darci Schiller (2016-2018), and Russell White (2016-2018).

Appointments to Insurance Review Committee...

-Council Member Voignier nominated Council Member Stonecipher. Council Member Worrall seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Stonecipher nominated Council Member Fisher. Council Member Worrall seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Voignier nominated Tom Deark, Doug Fisher, and Dale Curry. Council Member Worrall seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

-Benefits Coordinator, Naomi Polston, will also serve on the committee.

Appointments to Historic Preservation Commission...

-Council President Fetter named Bill Wilson (2016-2018), April Hauber (2016-2018), Dee Shelton (2016-2018), and Richard Geary (2014-2016). Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to accept appointees. Council Member Worrall seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Appointments to Tourism Board of Managers...

-Council Member Voignier nominated Cynthia Knopp (2016-2017) and Greg Isgrigg (2016-2017). Council Member Stonecipher seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Appointment to River Hills Economic Development Council...

-Council President Fetter named Dylan Fisher to the River Hills Economic Development Council for a one year term.

Appointment to Ohio River Greenway Commission...

-Council President Fetter named Richard Riggie (2013-2016) to the Ohio River Greenway Commission.

Appointments to Interpretive Center Corp...

-Council Member Stonecipher nominated Council President Fetter. Council Member Hauber seconded the nomination and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Voignier nominated Council Member Hauber. Council Member Stonecipher seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

-Council Member Worrall nominated Russell White. Council Member Hauber seconded the nomination and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Appointments to ADA Compliance/Grievance Committee...

-Council President Fetter named Barry Ross, Russell White, and Anita Neeld to the committee for a one year term.

Appointment of Council Member Liaisons...

-Council President Fetter appointed Council Member Gilkey as liaison to the Technical Review Committee, Council Member Worrall as liaison to the Flood Control District, and Council Member Hauber liaison to Thunder Over Louisville.

Swearing in of Fire Chief Brandon Skaggs... Judge Guilfoyle swore in Brandon Skaggs as the Chief of the Fire Department.

Swearing in of Assistant Fire Chief Dennis Johnson... Judge Vicki Carmichael swore in Dennis Johnson as the Assistant Chief of the Fire Department.

Falls of the Ohio Proclamation... Diane Swank addressed the council and requested they proclaim January 8, 2016 as Falls of the Ohio Day and January 8 through January 15, 2016 as Falls of the Ohio Week. Ms. Swank read aloud the proclamation and it was signed by all council members.

Public Comments

-John Kruger, 1809 Beechlawn Drive, Clarksville, IN. Mr. Kruger thanked the council for pre-empting his request by having prayer at the beginning of the council meeting.

-Sally Hughes, 210 Lynwood Drive, Clarksville, IN. Ms. Hughes congratulated the council and stated she appreciates their commitment to serve the Town. Ms. Hughes advised she works for HWC Engineering and would like to be considered for engineering services to the Town.

Development of Area in front of Town Hall... Discussion was held on developing the area in front of Town Hall. Council President Fetter suggested that we put together a RFQ and then decide. Council Member Voignier made a motion to develop RFQ. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Approval of Attorney Contract for Chris Sturgeon... Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve contract with Chris Sturgeon for Attorney Services. Council Member Stonecipher seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Approval of Attorney Contract for Greg Fifer... Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve contract with Greg Fifer for Attorney Services. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. Along with the contract, Mr. Fifer submitted an engagement letter.

Approval of Contract with Amadou Guisse for GIS Services... Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve contract with Amadou Guisse for GIS Services. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Approval of Contract with Hart's Surveying and Engineering... Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve contract with Hart's Surveying and Engineering for professional services. Council Member Voignier seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Approval of 2016-S-01, a salary ordinance amending 2015-S-13, by adding the Department of Public Works... Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon presented 2016-S-01, a salary ordinance amending 2015-S-13, by adding the Department of Public Works. For the first reading, Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve 2016-S-01. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote. For the second reading, Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve 2016-S-01. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Approval of 2016-R-01, a resolution for District Based Voting... Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon presented 2016-R-01, a resolution for District Based Voting. Council Member Voignier made a motion to approve 2016-R-01. Council Member Worrall seconded the motion and was carried by a 5-0-1 vote, with Council Member Gilkey abstaining and going on record as abstaining from this vote and requested a survey of the Town on this matter.

Approval of 2016-R-02, a resolution for hiring of Town Manager... Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon presented 2016-R-02, a resolution for council declaring its intention to hire a town manager. Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve 2016-R-02. Council Member Worrall seconded the motion and was carried by 6-0 vote.

Approval of Commercial/Industrial Development of Stormwater Long-Term and Management Agreement with Vendors Village... Tom Clevidence presented agreement with Vendor's Village regarding Stormwater management. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve agreement with Vendor's Village. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 5-0-1 vote, with Council Member Stonecipher abstaining.

Approval of Claims... It was decided to vote on the claims at the work session.

Council Comments

-Council Member Stonecipher thanked council members for being able to make good on campaign promises. Mr. Stonecipher stated he would like to restore respect by carrying firearms on campus. Mr. Stonecipher stated he was looking forward to serving on his appointed commissions and committees and working with the Fire Department and cutting their deficit. Mr. Stonecipher stated that Tom Upton brought great service to the Fire Department. Mr. Stonecipher closed out by thanking the constituents.

-Council Member Voignier thanked all for their hard work on the election and is looking forward to serving the Town.

-Council Member Worrall thanked all for voting and looking forward to working with Street Commissioner Cummings and Project Coordinator Montgomery. Mr. Worrall thanked all for coming out tonight.

-Council Member Gilkey congratulated new council members and is looking forward to serving with you.

-Council Member Hauber stated he is excited about the new council and things running smoothly and getting things accomplished for the best interest of the Town. Mr. Hauber appreciates the crowd that came out tonight for the meeting tonight.

-Council President Fetter thanked all who came out to the meeting tonight.

Adjournment... There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, on a motion made by Council Member Gilkey, seconded by Council Member Worrall, and carried by 6-0 vote, the January 4, 2016 meeting of the Clarksville Town Council adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

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

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council
on the 1st day of February 2016.

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

Paul Fetter, President,
Clarksville Town Council

