

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL HELD
ON OCTOBER 5, 2015

A regular meeting of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on October 5, 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, John Gilkey, Don Tetley, Bob Popp, Tim Hauber, Paul Fetter. Absent: Paul Kraft. Also present at the meeting, Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon, Asst. Fire Chief James Hendrick for Fire Chief Tom Upton, Chief Of Police Mark Palmer, Street Commissioner Brad Cummings, Matt Taylor for Wastewater Superintendent Mike Otto, Redevelopment Director Nick Lawrence, Planning Director Sharon Wilson, Parks Superintendent Brian Kaluzny, Building Commissioner Ilpo Majuri, Stormwater Director Tom Clevidence, Associate Planner Dylan Fisher, Benefits Coordinator Naomi Polston, Administrative Assistant Anita Neeld, and Deputy Clerk Sherry Lockard.

Public Comments...

-Sandra Berry, 2700 Hollywood Blvd, Clarksville, IN. Ms. Berry addressed the council and stated she had a problem with the way a neighbor was neglecting their property. Ms. Berry stated that she has spoken to Mr. Majuri about this issue and showed pictures of the neglect to the council. Ms. Berry stated the property was an eyesore and would like something to be done. Mr. Majuri advised there have been past violations at this residence and generally the resident does the bare minimum to property back within code. It was further decided after discussion, to cite this resident into court.

-Mary Ann Crabtree, 8 Lakeshore Drive, Clarksville, IN. Ms. Crabtree addressed the council and stated that two owners have been unable to occupy their residence for 101 days. Ms. Crabtree also stated that their master insurance carrier is not allowing them to increase the coverage amount to the sewer back up endorsement of their policy, unless they can show what steps have been taken to mitigate a recurrence in the June 2015 damage claim. Ms. Crabtree is requesting written documentation of the actions the Town has taken to prevent a recurrence of the June 26th overflow. Ms. Crabtree also asked when the approved minutes for the September 8th council meeting be online for public view.

-Teresa Ballew, 472 Kensington Drive, Clarksville, IN. Ms. Ballew has asked that her comments be entered into the record as submitted. "First of all, I want to thank Tim Hauber and Paul Fetter for being the only 2 council members who spoke against needing a fairness ordinance. As they stated, we do NOT need a fairness ordinance. What this council needs is a little more common-sense approach in how they write ordinances. There are already existing state and federal laws on the books concerning discrimination. Why make MORE laws-just to grow government. Not a smart move-look at what massive government has already brought us. So, thank you again Tim and Paul. I also want to give Tim a "cheer" for accepting the Town's responsibility regarding the sewage backup at Lakeshore Condos that Ms. Crabtree has been repeatedly trying to get something done about to no avail. Common sense prevailed here when the other council members, Kraft, Tetley, Popp, Polston and Fetter received "jeers" recently in the paper. So, thanks to the ones who do stand up for liberty and freedom. And then I saw on the agenda the funding request for the Sister Cities group and the Homeless Coalition. I also expect you to deny funding for both of these. It indicated on there it was a funding request brought up from the last work session. I feel like the students who participate in the Sister Cities event should fundraise, get out, and earn their own money, and pay their own way. The taxpayers should not have to pay for them to trot off to France or wherever, and then the Homeless Coalition just another government bureaucracy which we do not need. That's where the churches come in to being. And, if they want to, they should just be funded solely by private and voluntary donations-not taxpayer money. It's just another layer of government bureaucracy that we do not need. There is too much of that as it is.

Approval of Minutes... Council Member Tetley made a motion to approve the minutes of the 9/21/15 special meeting. Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve the minutes of the 09/21/15 regular meeting and work session. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS... Ed Cooper and Kelly Zullo of Neace Lukens came before the council and gave a recap on the Sister Cities organization and that they are now a not for profit organization. Mr. Cooper advised that since the last meeting, Sister Cities has raised \$4,000.00. Mr. Cooper is amending his prior request of an \$8,000.00 donation from the council, and is asking the council to make a onetime donation of \$4,000.00. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve the donation of \$4,000.00. Discussion was held regarding why requested amount was lowered and it was advised that money has been raised, but not enough to fully fund the first request because of time constraints. Council Member Gilkey made an amended motion to donate \$2000.00 to add to the \$2,000.00 the town previously donated. Council Member Tetley seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

REQUEST FOR DONATION TO HOMELESS COALITION OF SOUTHERN

INDIANA... Virginia Peck and Melissa Fry came before the council to request a donation to the Homeless Coalition of Southern Indiana. It was stated that the money will be used to start the coalition in order to fill in gaps of services that are needed. Discussion was held. No motion was made for the requested donation.

Approval of 2015-BUD-08, 2016 Budget for the Town... Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon presented 2015-BUD-08, the budget ordinance for the year 2016. Attorney Sturgeon advised a public hearing had been advertised and held and no comments were given. For the first reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2015-BUD-08. Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote. For the second reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2015-BUD-08. Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Approval of 2015-BUD-09, a transfer ordinance of previously appropriated monies...

Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon presented 2015-BUD-09, a transfer of previously appropriated monies in the TIF fund. For the first reading, Council Member Tetley made a motion to approve 2015-BUD-09. Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote. For the second reading, Council Member Tetley made a motion to approve 2015-BUD-09. Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Approval of 2015-S-08, an amendment to the 2015 Salary Ordinance, 2014-S-11, adding an additional employee to the Stormwater Dept...

Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon presented 2015-S-08, an amendment to Salary Ordinance 2014-S-11, adding an additional employee to the Stormwater Dept. For the first reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2015-S-08. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote. For the second reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2015-S-08. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Appointment to vacancy on the Parks Board... Council Member Tim Hauber announced there was a republican appointment to be filled on the parks board. Council Member Fetter made a motion to appoint Leslie Sutherland. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Approval of Change Orders regarding the WWTP presented at previous work session...

Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve change orders regarding the construction of the WWTP in the total amount of \$128,370.00, with the caveat that the change order reflects the corrected amount regarding the HVAC. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Approval of Contract with Redwing for the Mitigation Implementation Services at Ray Lawrence Park...

Director of Stormwater Tom Clevidence made a request to the council to approve the contract with Redwing Ecological Services for the Ray Lawrence Park Mitigation Project. The estimated project total will be \$14,700.00. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve contract with Redwing in the sum of \$14,700.00. Council Member Fetter seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Approval to participate in the awarded COPS Grant... Police Chief Mark Palmer made a request to participate in the COPS grant, with a changed percentage of 70/30, from a previous match amount of 75/25. Council Member Fetter made a motion to approve participation in the COPS grant at the 30% match. Council Member Popp seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0 vote.

Council Comments

-Council Member Hauber stated he has received several complaints regarding the ramp on Brown Station Way. Street Commissioner Cummings advised that the Street Department has been working on that ramp area for the last two days. It was stated that this ramp is the responsibility of the County, however the Town (Street Dept) ends up maintaining that area.

-Council Member Popp stated that it was a grave mistake if we do nothing but observe the homeless situation. Mr. Popp stated we should respect those who try to help others and this issue needs to be addressed with time and money.

Approval of Claims... Accounts payable registers presented for approval consisted of Town current claims in the amount of \$136,393.84, Town pre-approved claims issued through 10/5/2015 in the amount of \$529,703.06. Wastewater/Stormwater utility current claims in the amount of \$362,941.27, Wastewater/Stormwater utility prewritten claims in the amount of \$34,739.37, Town, SW Bond in the amount of \$575,697.14, WW Bond in the amount of \$56,540.65, Payroll claims for week ending 9/13/15 in the amount of \$334,904.26 and payroll for week ending 9/27/15 in the amount of \$410,185.93. Council Member Gilkey 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 Tetley made a motion to adjourn, Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council
on the 19th day of October 2015

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

Bob Polston, President,
Clarksville Town Council