

MINUTES OF A WORK SESSION OF THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON OCTOBER 19, 2015

A work session of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on October 19, 2015, at 8:05 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, Don Tetley, John Gilkey, Bob Popp, Tim Hauber, Paul Fetter, and Paul Kraft. Also present at the meeting Clerk Treasurer Robert Leuthart, Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon, Town Attorney Rebecca Lockard, Administrative Assistant Anita Neeld, Parks Superintendent Brian Kaluzny, Wastewater Superintendent Mike Otto, Planning Director Sharon Wilson, Street Commissioner Brad Cummings, Deputy Clerk Sherry Lockard, and Deputy Clerk Melanie Brown.

Request to declare two old chemical tanks as surplus... Wastewater Superintendent Mike Otto made a request to the council to declare two old chemical tanks as surplus, and requested permission to sell them. Discussion was held and it was determined a resolution was necessary for this action and Mr. Otto was instructed to bring this to the next council meeting for a vote.

Discussion of Mowing Quote for the year 2016... Street Commissioner Brad Cummings asked Council for direction regarding the mowing quotes for 2016. Commissioner Cummings stated that he would obtain quotes for next year, but that quotes were not necessary if council didn't wish to pursue quotes, as Raymond's is offering to continue the current price for the same work in 2016. The consensus of the council was Raymond's did good work and the price is good. Commissioner Cummings was advised to bring to the next council meeting for a vote.

Discussion of Rehab of Sweeper Repair/Refurbish of the Street Sweeper... Street Commissioner Cummings presented to the council a request to repair/refurbish the street sweeper. Commissioner Cummings advised that to replace this piece of equipment, it would cost approximately \$300,000.00, but with repairing and refurbishing, the cost would be approximately \$42,995.42, giving the equipment another 4 years of service. Commissioner Cummings was advised to bring this to the next council meeting for a vote.

Discussion of Indiana Humanities Grant... Assistant Planning Director and Grant Writer Dylan Fisher made a request to the council to apply for a grant through Indiana Humanities and for the Council to match the \$1000.00, if granted. This is an ALL-IN BLOCK PARTY grant, which encourages engaging with the public and neighborhoods. With no objections from the Council, Mr. Fisher was advised to bring this to the next council meeting for a vote.

Presentation by Scott Puffer of Gardner Capital... Mr. Puffer presented to the council a possible development of Progress Village Homes, which included 60 rental townhomes for eventual ownership. Mr. Puffer advised the homes were high quality, and is a rent to own program. Mr. Puffer advised they are interested in the property at 1340 Progress Way, behind the Sam's Club. Discussion was held and Mr. Puffer was told that this would need to go before the TRC. Further discussion was held, and the consensus of the Council was they are not interested at this time, and more information would be needed if this was to be pursued.

Request from Council Member Popp to cement Jane Sarles' legacy by changing Line Drive to Jane Sarles Lane...

Clarksville has a rich and unique history that deserves to be cherished and celebrated; no one has been more passionate about Clarksville history than Jane Sarles.

Jane was born in Campbellsburg, IN but moved to Clarksville in 1947 to the Greenacres Subdivision, which was under construction at that time. She says it was better known then as "Mud Acres", which was the source of some ribbing from the kids in Old Clarksville. She attended New Albany High School, paying \$25.00 per semester as a tuition charge.

In 1967 she began working at the IU Southeast Library, raising her three children-Denise, Christopher, and Patrick-with her husband Jerry while working on her Bachelor's Degree in English Education. Jane completed her student teaching at Clarksville High School,-splitting time between the English classroom under Dr. Dot Lewis and the library under Jamie Lamb. She would later graduate from IUS and go on to earn a Master's Degree from the Graduate Library School at IU Bloomington.

Jane's career as a professional librarian included stops at junior high schools in Bedford, at Jeffersonville Township Public Library, Charlestown Public Library, and once again at IUS>

Her final position was at Lanesville High School, where she spent 13 years servicing grades K-12

In her retirement Jane turned her energy to Clarksville and Southern Indiana and immersed herself full-time in its history. She has become the hub of historical knowledge for the Town, and ensures our connection to the past is not lost or simply filed away. She was president of the Clarksville Historical Society for 13 years, Vice Chair of the Ohio River Greenway Commission from 2004-2012, a board member for the Falls of the Ohio Foundation, “a current member of the Buffalo Trace Commission, and past chair of the Clarksville Historic Preservation Commission, of which she is also a member. In 2014 she was named Clarksville Town Historian. Jane has authored four books: Clarksville, Indiana (2001), Looking Back (2012), Clarksville: Then & Now (2014), and A History Lover’s Guide to Kentuckiana (2015).

For her contributions Jane has been honored numerous times. She is an honorary member of the Indiana Historical Society, was named an Ambassador of Clark County by the Clark County Commissioners, nominated as a finalist for Clark County Woman of the Year and receive the John H. Minta Tourism Award from the Clark-Floyd Convention and Tourism Bureau.

In addition to her love of history she also enjoys travel, having visited five different continents and 48 different states. She has a great deal of pride for her three grandchildren, who she describes as “exceptional” and “wonderful”. She’s expecting her first great grandchild very soon.

Jane Sarles’ appreciation of Clarksville history is unsurpassed. The Town’s archives are a monument of her passion and hard work. She has brought honor to our community through her pride and tireless efforts telling us the stories of our past. Clarksville is a better place because of Jane. And with that in mind, it is a please to cement her legacy and honor her contributions to the Town of Clarksville with the commemorations f Jane Sarles Lane.

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 8:49 P.M.

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

Robert P Leuthart, Clerk-Treasurer

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council
on the ____ day of _____ 2015

Bob Polston, President
Clarksville Town Council