

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON DECEMBER 5, 2016

A meeting of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on December 5, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the meeting room of the Clarksville Municipal Center Administration Building by Council President, Paul Fetter, who chaired the meeting.

Council members present: Paul Fetter, Tim Hauber, David Fisher, John Gilkey, David Worrall, Jennifer Voignier, and Aaron Stonecipher.

Invocation: Performed by Associate Pastor Brian Rector, One Community Church.

Public Comments:

-James R. McClure Jr., 1006 Hazelwood Court, Clarksville, IN. Mr. McClure commented on the impairment of citizen's rights inside the Town Hall building. Mr. McClure stated there was no compelling reason for not removing the weapons ban from Town Hall and requested to bring this issue to a public vote.

Approval of Minutes: Council Member Fisher made a motion to approve the minutes from the 11/21/16 regular meeting minutes, the work session and the executive session, with the acceptance of two amendments offered from Council Member Stonecipher, of adding the number quoted by the Town Court Clerk for the year to date case load, in addition to a typos in the regular meeting minutes. Council Member Voignier seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Approval of Claims: Accounts payable registers presented for approval consisted of Town current claims in the amount of \$167,391.90, Town pre-approved claims issued through 12/5/2016 in the amount of \$429,915.80, Wastewater/Stormwater utility current claims in the amount of \$31,957.48, Wastewater/Stormwater utility prewritten claims in the amount of \$85752.45, Payroll allowance docket for pay file ending 11/20/2016 in the amount of \$388,822.16. Council Member Fisher made a motion to approve claims registers presented. Council Member Worrall seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Approval of Energy Conservation Improvements... Building Commissioner, Rick Barr, presented to Council a plan for Energy Conservation Improvements consisting of the replacement of 1500 lighting fixtures on town campus with LED bulbs. The commissioner requested approval to proceed with improvements, apply for the rebate from Duke Energy, to purchase materials from Fall City Electric, and to donate the old working materials to West Clark Community School District. The total cost is \$19,200.00, minus a one-time rebate of up to 50%, equaling \$9600.00. The commissioner anticipated a net savings to the Town of more than \$8,000.00/year, beginning in the second year of the change. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve the request. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Approval of purchase of Refuse Collection Truck... Staff presented to council a request to purchase a refuse collection truck from John Edinger and Son, who met or exceeded all required bid specifications, in the amount of \$178,471.00. Council Member Hauber made a motion to approve purchase. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Approval of 2016-R-18, a resolution approving the acquisition of Property of CSX Rail...

Staff and Redevelopment Commission request the Town Council approve resolution 2016-R-08, a resolution authorizing the acquisition of the CSX property through eminent domain procedures. Staff advised that the Town made affective offer based on the requests of CSX, and afterward CSX asked for more money. Council President Fetter commented as to the fair, market price that CSX would receive from the eminent domain process, and that the dormant land could be revitalized into public trails. Council Member Stonecipher voiced his approval that the actions was reasonable on the grounds that it would improve the health and safety of citizens via improved utility and sewer easements. Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve

resolution 2016-R-08. Council Member Voignier seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Approval 2016-BUD-13, a transfer ordinance transferring funds within funds or departments...

Town Attorney Chris Sturgeon presented to council a transfer ordinance to transfer funds within departments from one budget classification to another. For the first reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve ordinance 2016-BUD-13. Council Member Fisher seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. For the second reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve ordinance 2016-BUD-13. Council Member Fisher seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Approval of 2016-S-06, ordinance fixing the compensation of the Town Court Judge...

Staff and Town Attorney presented ordinance 2016-S-06, an ordinance fixing the compensation of Town Court Judge, with the intent that the court would serve a third day each week. Discussion was held regarding this ordinance and several proposals were made. The first motion was made by Council Member Gilkey to give a \$10,000.00 increase next year, \$5,000.00 the next year, and \$5,000.00 the following year. Council Member Fisher seconded the motion and did not pass with a vote of 3-4, with Stonecipher, Voignier, Worrall and Hauber voting Nay. Council Member Hauber made a motion to give a \$10,000.00 increase next year, \$3,000.00 the next year, and \$3,000.00 the following year. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and passed with a 4-3 vote, with Stonecipher, Voignier and Worrall voting Nay. This ordinance will require a second reading at the next scheduled meeting.

Approval of 2016-G-2013, an ordinance establishing District Based Voting...

Staff presented ordinance 2016-G-13 to council for approval of district based voting. Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve 2016-G-13. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-1 vote, with Council Member Fisher voting Nay. This ordinance will require a second reading at the next scheduled meeting.

Unfinished Business: Discussion on political redistricting:

Council Member Stonecipher reported that he had presented to the planning department a proposal for potential redistricting of the Town's five political districts, with the intent of balancing geographic coverage, while adhere more closely to precinct boundaries. The purpose of the proposal was to prevent errors in balloting and counting that may arise as a result of district based voting, wherein some precincts are split amongst several voting districts. Planning Director, Sharon Wilson, announced that the department analyzed the proposal using the most recent data and concluded that, due to the density of apartment complexes, the current political map could not be improved upon. Both Council Member Stonecipher and Director Wilson recommend to the council that no further consideration should be made to alter the current political map.

Council Comments

-Council Member Hauber thanked the police department for their quick response on the hit and run fatality last week.

-Council Member Voignier commented on the tragic situation of the hit and run. Ms. Voignier also noted and commented on the lack of overtime on the payroll.

-Council Member Fisher reminded everyone of FoodieFest at Kye's on Tuesday. Mr. Fisher asked if school system was taking the spare light bulbs, then maybe we could interest them in some dirt from the plant.

-Council Member Gilkey stated that Clay Baird inquired about using some of the excess dirt. Mr. Gilkey also gave a shout out to Brian Kaluzny of the Parks Dept., (along with Infinite Solutions), for getting the internet service at the community center up and running.

-Council Member Stonecipher thanked Rick Barr for the money savings regarding the energy improvement plan. Mr. Stonecipher also commented on the riverbank fire that our Fire Dept. worked, and sent out prayers to the family of the late, Carl Humphrey, who was the recent victim of a hit and run accident.

Redevelopment Director Dylan Fisher announced there is a public meeting regarding the South Clark Redevelopment Plan on December 13, 2016 at WaterTower Square. More information is available on the town's website and there will also be a press release.

Adjournment... There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, on a motion made by Council Member Fisher seconded by Council Member Gilkey, and carried by unanimous vote, the December 5, 2016 meeting of the Clarksville Town Council adjourned at 7:59 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 December, 2016.

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

Paul Fetter, President,
Clarksville Town Council