A MINUTES OF A WORK SESSION OF THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON OCTOBER 1, 2019

A work session of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on October 1, 2019 at 8:28 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Clarksville Municipal Center Administration Building by Council President Paul Fetter who chaired the meeting.

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

**Discussion of refunding the 2013 and 2014 Sewage Works Bonds:**

Utility Director Montgomery advised the Town’s financial advisors encouraged refinancing the bonds for a potential savings of $2.4 million in interest payments. Director Montgomery advised the council will need to pass a bond ordinance to proceed.

**Dolly Parton Imagination Library, Jim Grahn, Community Action of Southern Indiana**

Jim Grahn presented information on the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, which is a book gifting program. They are looking for community partners, and are asking the council members to approve funding to mail books to children in Clarksville. Mr. Grahn provided information on similar commitments from the United Way, Bales Foundation, and the City of Jeffersonville. Council President Fetter requested Mr. Grahn return at the next meeting with an accurate number of children in the town for the Council to review.

**Proposal by Palladium Communication Group for Telephone, Internet and Cable Services**

David Phillips, Director of Communications with Palladium Communication Group provided a proposal for services to reduce the Towns expenses by as much as $60,000 over a 36 month period. This includes an upgrade to cloud based services and new equipment. Mr. Phillips answered Council Members questions about the new technology and how it would integrate. Council Member Gilkey asked Manager Baity to check with the State of Indiana to see if they have a better rate for faster internet to improve current services. Manager Baity will review the proposal and the current providers contract as well as contact the State and report back at a future meeting.

**Addition to Agenda: Historical Society Inquiry**

The Historical Society has asked to keep their existing agreement with the Town. It will be discussed at the work session following the October 15, 2019 Council Meeting to ensure all Council Members will be present.

**Addition to Agenda: Discussion on appointments of Council Member Hunt to Commissions**

Council President Fetter recommended appointments to the Economic Development Commission and the Greenway Commission, for Council Member Hunt to fill vacancies as he would like to stay involved, both now and after his Council term ends. There were no objections. Official action will be taken at the October 15th Council meeting.

**Adjournment**… There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, on a motion made by Council Member Voignier, seconded by Council Member Hunt, and carried by 6-0 vote, the August 20, 2019 work session of the Clarksville Town Council adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

**Minutes prepared by the Clerk-Treasurer of**

The Town of Clarksville, Indiana

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Robert P Leuthart, Clerk-Treasurer

Of the Town of Clarksville, IN

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council on the 15th day of October, 2019

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Paul Fetter, President,

Clarksville Town Council