

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON JANUARY 21, 2019

A meeting of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on January 21, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the meeting room of the Clarksville Municipal Center Administration Building by Council President Ryan Ramsey, who chaired the meeting.

Council members present: Ryan Ramsey, John Gilkey, Karen Henderson, Aaron Stonecipher, Jennifer Voignier, Tim Hauber and Mike Mustain.

Invocation: Council Member A.D. Stonecipher

Recognitions:

-2019 Fire Police Officer and Reserve Officer of the Year awards were presented by Fire Chief Brandon Skags and Police Chief Mark Palmer:

Fire Department Officer of the Year – Firefighter Brad Lienhart and K-9 Ferrara

Police Department Officer of the Year – Corporal John “JJ” Smith

Police Department Reserve Officer of the Year – Sean Hodge

Board and Commission Appointees:

-Parks Board: Legal Counsel has determined that Council Member Voignier cannot serve on the Parks Board and the Town Council at the same time, therefore her position needs to be reappointed. Council Member Stonecipher nominated Leslie Sutherland. Council Member Voignier seconded the nomination and was carried by unanimous vote.

-911 Board: Council Member Stonecipher has determined he cannot serve on this Board, therefore his position needs to be reappointed. Council President Ramsey appointed Council Member Henderson

-Clark County Solid Waste: Council President Ramsey appointed Council Member Voignier

Public Comments:

-Stacy Carrera: 2222 Lombardy Drive. Ms. Carrera came before the Council to request CEDIT funds for a Community Taco Festival planned for June 6th, 2020. Please see attachment A for Ms. Carrera’s full statement and request.

-Andre Jones: 2317 Birch Drive. Mr. Jones states he is in support of Ms. Carrera’s statement and request.

-Russell Brooksbank: 1716 Whittier Drive. Mr. Brooksbank came before the Council and stated he was on the Committee for the Taco Festival, but he is opposed to using taxpayer dollars to fund it.

-Ashley Gilmore: 1712 Beechlawn Drive: Ms. Gilmore states she agrees with Ms. Carrera and Mr. Jones regarding the Taco Festival.

Consent Agenda:

-Approval of Town Council Regular Meeting and Joint Executive Sessions held on January 7, 2020.

-Approval of the Town Current & Pre-written, WW/SW Current & Pre-written. Sewage Ban and Payroll.

-Resolution 2020-R-04, a Resolution Declaring Surplus Property.

Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Ordinance 2020-Z-01, Rezoning 7007 Wilson Lane from R-1 to R-2

-Discussion was held regarding the rezoning of 7007 Wilson Lane. Council Member Stonecipher voiced concerns regarding traffic on Payne Koehler Road, that Wilson Lane leading to the proposed development does not meet Fire Code Standards and that Wilson Lane is not in our jurisdiction, but is the only means of accessing the development site. Council Member Stonecipher noted for the record that he called no one and put no notices out on social media about this issue. Council Member Stonecipher wants to see a time table on the paving and widening of Payne Koehler Road and to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Sellersburg regarding Wilson Lane before anything is approved. Council Member Stonecipher made a

motion to table this matter. Council Member Voignier seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Ordinance 2020-Z-02, Rezoning 926 Providence Way from B-1 to R-2

Resident requested rezoning of 926 Providence way to bring the zoning classification consistent with the prior and current use of the property. Plan Commission voted unanimously to recommend the rezoning. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2020-Z-02. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Resolution 2019-R-41, Authorization for Permanent Loan to Fire Fighter Fund 134

In 2019 a Fire Territory was created to take effect January 1, 2020. State Law does not allow a newly created territory to assume any debt upon its inception, as a result the loan made from Rainy Day must be a permanent loan and will not be repaid. Council Member Voignier made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-R-41. Council Member Mustain seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Resolution 2020-R-05, Supporting Food and Beverage Tax Legislation

Senate Bill 171 has been introduced in the 2020 General Assembly authorizing the implementation and collection of a food and beverage tax. If approved, it would allow for the collections of a tax of up 1%, (maximum), on the gross retail sale of food and beverages sold within the Town of Clarksville. This does not include groceries, only restaurants and pubs. This resolution only signifies support for SB 171 and the tax will sunset after 20 years, with the revenues strictly earmarked for Redevelopment of the South side of Clarksville. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2020-R-05. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Memorandum of Agreement between the FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION and the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer and the Town of Clarksville regarding Riverside Drive Improvements Project

The Town is eligible to receive Federal and State Funding for the reconstruction of a portion of Riverside Drive. The MOA with Federal Highway Administration and IN State Historic Preservation Officer is the first step in a lengthy process. The total funding is \$7,330,215.00 with the Town's Local Match from RDC being \$2,872,738 and the Federal portion through KIPDA being \$4,457,477.00. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve the MOA. Council Member Voignier seconded and was carried by a 6-0-1 vote, with Council Member Mustain abstaining.

Resolution 2020-R-06, a Resolution approving the Disposition of the Old Fire Station Property at 125 E. Stansifer

The RDC has received a proposal for the acquisition and development of the old Fire Station. The project is expected to generate \$210,000 in total property and income taxes over five years and the buyer has agreed not to appeal any tax assessments under \$700,000.00 for the next five years. Council Member Hauber inquired as to what type of business plans on operating at this address. Town Manager Baity advised it was a company that deals with security types of scanners and turnstiles. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve the disposition of the old Fire Station property at 125 E. Stansifer Avenue. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0-1 vote, with Council Member Henderson abstaining.

Acceptance of Conflicts of Interest Forms:

The following employees submitted Conflict of Interest Statements to be filed with the State: Ken Conklin, Bob Leuthart, Gary Adamson, Shane and Lisa Bassett. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to accept these Conflicts of Interest. Council Member Mustain seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

Conflict of Interest for Mike Mustain: Council Member Gilkey made a motion to accept Council Member Mustain's COI Form. Council Member Henderson seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0-1 vote, with Council Member Mustain abstaining.

Conflict of Interest for Karen Henderson: Council Member Gilkey made a motion to accept Council Member Henderson's COI Form. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0-1 vote, with Council Member Henderson abstaining.

Adjournment... There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, a motion was made to adjourn by Council Member Gilkey, seconded by Council Member Henderson, and carried by a 7-0 vote. The January 21, 2020 meeting of the Clarksville Town Council adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

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

Robert P Leuthart, Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Clarksville

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council on the 4th day of February, 2020

Ryan Ramsey, President, Clarksville Town Council