

MINUTES OF MEETING OF  
THE CLARKSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD ON MARCH 21, 2017

A meeting of the Clarksville Town Council was called to order on March 21, 2017 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, John Gilkey, David Worrall, Jennifer Voignier, David Fisher, and Aaron Stonecipher.

**Invocation:** Brian Rector, Associate Pastor of One Community Church.

Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to allow the time for public comments to be extended from 2 minutes to 4 minutes for this meeting. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by a 5-2 vote.

**Public Comments:**

-Sandra Hartz, 7508 Joseph Drive, Sellersburg, IN. Ms. Hartz spoke in opposition to re-zoning area for apartment complex.

-Paul Perkins, 3011 Plum Woods Ct., Sellersburg, IN. Mr. Perkins spoke in opposition to re-zoning area for apartment complex.

-Steve Scott, 5151 Jefferson Blvd, Louisville, KY. Mr. Scott presented renderings of area to be developed for apartment complex and advised this was a downgrade in zoning.

-MaryAnn Crabtree, 8 Lakeshore Dr., Clarksville, IN. Ms. Crabtree spoke of her concern regarding the impact of upgrading infrastructure of Newman Ave. and Cane Run.

-John Kraft, 126 W. Spring St., New Albany, IN. Mr. Kraft, representing Mr. Scott, stated the requirements for the Council this evening were statutory in nature and reminded all that all requirements were met on his client's behalf.

-Betsy Shepherd, 7914 Hollowview Dr., Sellersburg, IN. Ms. Shepherd spoke in opposition to re-zoning area for apartment complex.

-Laura Dement, 7054 Plum Creek, Sellersburg, IN. Ms. Dement spoke in opposition to re-zoning area for apartment complex.

-Jack Canady, 1420 S Jackson, Louisville, KY. Mr. Canady spoke in favor to re-zoning area for apartment complex.

-Jefferson Shrieve, 910 Woodstock Dr., Clarksville, IN. Mr. Shrieve spoke in opposition of the permanent vacation of Woodstock & Horn Streets.

**Public Hearing for Additional Appropriation for Special LOIT Fund/Community Crossing Grant...** Town Attorney advised an advertised public hearing for an additional appropriation was scheduled for 3/21/17 and asked if anyone from the public wanted to come forward for comment. No one from the public came forward with comments.

**Request to Install Temporary Banner on Town Property...** Town Manager Baity advised the Clark County Solid Waste Mgt. District requested to place a temporary banner on Town property in observance of Earth Day. Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve request. Council Member Voignier seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Council Member Fisher made a motion to approve the minutes of the 3/7/17 Regular Town Council Meeting and Work Session, the Joint Executive Session with Redevelopment Commission on 3/7/17 and the Special Meeting on 3/11/17. Council Member Worrall 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 \$113,286.16, Town pre-approved claims issued through 03/21/2017 in the amount of \$888,939.66, Wastewater/Stormwater utility current claims in the amount of \$32,549.73, Wastewater/Stormwater utility prewritten claims in the amount of \$63,849.87, SW Bond in the amount of \$8305.00, WW Bond in the amount of \$5,153.39 and payroll register for week ending 03/12/17 in the amount of \$373,169.91. Council Member

Stonecipher made a motion to approve claims registers presented. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Introduction of 2017-G-03, an ordinance vacating a portion of Woodstock and Horn Streets...** 2017-G-03 was presented to Council. Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve 2017-G-03. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and passed with a 6-1 vote, with Council Member Voignier voting nay. Council Member Stonecipher added there are currently plans being made to create a new road that will replace the old road.

**Presentation of 2017-Z-02, an ordinance rezoning property at Westmont Drive and Co. Rd. 311...** 2017-Z-02 was presented to the Council with a recommendation from Staff to approve ordinance rezoning 3.14 acres located near the intersection of Westmont Drive and CR 311 from a B-1 to and R-3, with a favorable recommendation from the Plan Commission. Attorney Sturgeon read Indiana Code 36-7-4-6.03 as the statutory factors for the Council to consider with due regard. Discussion was held. Council Member Worrall made a motion to approve 2017-Z-02. Council Member Fisher seconded the motion and the vote was 3-4 with Council Members Voignier, Fetter, Gilkey and Stonecipher voting nay. Motion failed, ordinance not approved.

**Presentation of Ordinance 2017-S-03, a salary ordinance amending 2016-S-11...** Town Manager Baity came before the Council to request approval for 2017-S-03, an ordinance combining positions of WWTP Superintendent and Project Coordinator into a new position of Utility Director, creating a position of Utility Finance Manager, and move the Utility Clerks under the WWTP category. Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve 2017-S-03. Council Member Worrall seconded the motion and passed 6-1, with Council Member Gilkey voting Nay, advising he is not in favor of the reorganizational chart. Council Member Stonecipher commented that he was in support of the organizational structure, as the consolidation is projected to save the town's payroll by a net of \$51,000.00 a year.

**Approval of Memorandum of Agreement regarding Blackiston Mill Road Improvements...** Town Manager Baity presented a MOA regarding improvements to Blackiston Mill Road, including design work and an environmental study that was recently completed. Discussion was held. Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve the Agreement. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of 2017-G-04, amending Ordinances 93-G-01 and 2001-G-03, regarding prepayment of expenses...** Ordinance 2017-G-04, an ordinance allowing credit cards and bridge tolls to be paid as pre-written expenses, was presented to Council for approval. Prompted by questions from Council Member Stonecipher, Manager Baity reviewed the town's internal checks associated with validating prewritten claims. For the first reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve ordinance 2017-G-04. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. For the second reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve ordinance 2017-G-04. Council Member Hauber seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of 2017-BUD-01, an additional appropriation for the Special LOIT Fund and the Community Crossing Fund...** Ordinance 2017-BUD-01, an additional appropriation ordinance, was presented to Council for approval. Having had the required public hearing for this ordinance, requesting funds be appropriated to the Special Loit Fund in the amount of \$1,985,621.61 and the Community Crossing Grant Fund in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, a request was made to Council to approve 2017-BUD-01. For the first reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2017-BUD-01. Council Member Fisher seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote. For the second reading, Council Member Gilkey made a motion to approve 2017-BUD-01. Council Member Fisher seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Appointment to Historic Preservation Commission...** Town Manager Baity advised there is an opening on the Historic Preservation Commission and Jane Sarles is being recommended to fill the vacancy. Council Member Hauber made a motion to approve recommendation of Jane Sarles appointment to the Historic Preservation Commission. Council Member Voignier seconded the motion and was carried by unanimous vote.

**Approval of 2017-R-03, a resolution to dispose of surplus property...** Town Manager Baity came before the council and made a request to declare property as surplus. The specific list of property is available in the Clerk Treasurer's Office. Council Member Stonecipher made a motion to approve resolution 2017-R-03 for disposal of surplus of property. Council Member Gilkey seconded the motion and was carried by a 6-0-1 vote, with Council President Fetter abstaining.

**Council Comments:**

- Council Member Voignier thanked the residents of the Plum Run area for coming to the meeting tonight. Ms. Voignier reminded all of the ClarkFest meeting at the Clarksville Library on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and the Habitat for Humanity Project on Saturday.
- Council Member Fisher advised he would like himself and all council members be put on notice prior to putting any lien on a property.
- Council Member Stonecipher thanked his neighbor constituents and commended them for their professionalism and their respect for the process. Mr. Stonecipher advised this was just the beginning of an important discussion and vision and more decisions will need to be made in the coming weeks and this should not be considered a closing of the matter. Mr. Stonecipher again thanked all for their civic engagement.
- Council President Fetter recognized Wastewater Superintendent Mike Otto for his long time service to the Town and congratulated him on his impending retirement.

**Adjournment...** There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, on a motion made by Council Member Gilkey, seconded by Council Member Fisher, and carried by unanimous vote, the March 21, 2017 meeting of the Clarksville Town Council adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

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

Minutes approved by the Clarksville Town Council  
on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017.

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

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Paul Fetter, President,  
Clarksville Town Council