

Village of Clarksville  
Council Meeting Minutes  
January 9, 2017

A regular monthly meeting of the Clarksville Village Council was held January 9, 2017 at the Clarksville Village Hall. President Amy Byers called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Trustees present Patricia Reser, Bonnie Main, Brad Clark, Joe Graham, Allen Sheldon, Treasurer Rose Barratt, Clerk Shari Clark, and Village Attorney Joel Baar. Robbie Mutschler was officially sworn in as Trustee.

The minutes of the December 5, 2016 meeting were read and approved.  
Motion by B.Clark and supported by Sheldon to pay monthly bills totaling \$7,833.18 plus quarterly & year end payroll taxes were approved.

Reports were read by Treasurer Barratt, Street Commissioner Reser, Sewer by B.Clark, *Ex Officio* Planning Commissioner Main, and Clerk S.Clark.

Motion by Reser and supported by Mutschler to re-appoint Brad Clark as Village Representative to serve on the Clarksville-Morrison Lake Sewer Board. All in favor, B.Clark abstain. Motion passed.

Nicole Nordhof submitted her resignation from Planning Commission effective January 9, 2017.

**Seeking a Village Resident to serve on Planning Commission**

*No experience required, simply a desire to help make a positive impact on our community and a vision for future planning. Monthly meetings are held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 7 pm. Members help review or recommend changes and adopt rules & guidelines for proper administration & enforcement of our Village Zoning Ordinance, Master Plan, act as a policy board, conduct Public Hearings, and review all requests for special use permits and/or amendments to Zoning Ordinance.* Questions or interest - contact Village Clerk 616-693-2711 or [clarksvilleemi@clarksvilleemi.org](mailto:clarksvilleemi@clarksvilleemi.org)

Motion by B.Clark and supported by Reser to allot up to \$500.00 for additional materials, if needed, for an ice-skating rink this winter at Campbell Township Park. All in favor, motion passed.

Residents are reminded that it is the responsibility of the property owner to shovel sidewalks and off street parking is required per ordinance.  
Enforcement actions will be taken if sidewalks are not cleared of snow and ice (*within 24 hours in residential districts & within 4 hours in the business district after the cessation of any fall of snow, sleet, or freezing rain*) and for any vehicles parked longer than 12 hours on Main Street or 24 hours on other public streets within the village. For persons within the residential district that this would cause undue hardship, they may file a request for exemption with the Village Clerk.

Attorney Joel Baar reviewed the Incompatible Public Offices Act which had again been raised as an issue in connection with a council member also performing street commissioner duties explaining that the IPOA provides an exception to its requirements for municipalities with population less than 40,000. The Small Community Exception allows a council member to serve dual capacities, when approved by the Village to do so. The same exception has applied allowing other public officials to perform additional services, such as cleaning and snow shoveling at the village hall.

Attorney Baar also addressed concerns regarding behavior of some attendees at Village Council meetings. His memo introduced additional detailed rules which can be implemented by amending the Village's current Rules of Order.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.  
The next regular meeting will be held February 6, 2017.

*Submitted by Shari Clark, Village Clerk*