Village of Clarksville Planning Commission Minutes March 19, 2015

A regular monthly meeting of the Clarksville Planning Commission was held on March 19, 2015, at the Clarksville Village Hall. Chair Robert Blocher called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Planning Commissioners present - Chairperson Robert Blocher, Vice Chair Nicole Nordhof, Jordan Burnie, Brian Reser, Rick Culp, and Ex Officio Robbie Mutschler. Absent - None. One vacancy remains.

No Public Comment

The minutes of the February 19, 2015 meeting were read and approved.

Robbie provided a report from Council:

- County Sheriff has been hired by Village to provide patrol for 8 hours per month
- Numerous tree removals will be occurring in the near future
- Large road projects were proposed for this fiscal year
- Much discussion was heard regarding the Lakewood School District's decision to close Clarksville Elementary

Amy provided a Village President report:

- Provided updates on the decision to close Clarksville. Shari and Amy are working diligently to determine what will happen with the building and grounds. They are also researching options for Clarksville families who are affected by the closing.
- Provided an update on a zoning violation regarding dogs.
- Rules of order for council and commission meetings are being discussed.

Jordan gave a quick update on the Tree Grant Program. Planning Commission would like to have a trial program for 2015. \$1000 will be budgeted for this program. Jordan will work on creating a sample grant program application.

Amy would like the Planning Commission to take a deeper look at the Zoning Ordinance and determine if there are sections that could be amended. It was suggested that we begin with parking regulations, section 152.170-172. That section will be reviewed at the next Planning Commission meeting.

Robbie expressed her displeasure with the chip seal job performed on Main St. last fall. There are many loose stones in the front yards along the street. Amy and Pat will be contacting the Ionia County Road Commission regarding this issue.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held April 16, 2015. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Submitted by Jordan Burnie, Secretary