Village of Clarksville Planning Commission Minutes March 17th, 2016

A regular monthly meeting of the Clarksville Planning Commission was held on March 17th 2016, at the Clarksville Village Hall. Chairperson Robert Blocher called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Planning Commissioners present – Chairperson Robert Blocher, Vice Chair Nicole Nordhof, Jami Manszewski, Brian Reser, Rick Culp, Diane Sheldon and Ex Officio Bonnie Main.

Minutes of the February 18th, 2016 meeting were read and approved.

Bonnie provided a Council report:

- Recommendations on street decorations were approved to purchase spring banners.
- A special meeting will be held March 29th regarding new sidewalks. The meeting is open to the public to voice opinions and concerns.
- Sheriff of Ionia County contract was renewed.
- Spring Cleanup is going to be held May 7th 2016.
- Zoning Board of Appeals approved the library request to rezone 165 N. Main from R2 to P.
- There concerns in the village regarding graffiti and vandalism. It was suggested that Planning Commission check into a Neighborhood Watch Program.

Bob reported that the spring 2016 baseball season has started at the park.

Jami reported that the February Project Clarksville meeting was cancelled due to bad weather. The next meeting will be held at the Village Hall on March 31st at 7pm.

The current Master Plan was discussed and notes were taken on many updates to assigned sections.

It was suggested by the Village Council to have the Planning Commission look into what it takes to start a neighborhood watch. It is recommended by the Planning Commission that a note should be added to the Village Cleanup flyers inviting village residents to the May Planning Commission meeting to voice their input on starting a Neighborhood Watch Program.

It was discussed that the building on Main and Cross St. is in very bad shape. There are concerns about safety and questions about ownership. Bob will contact Derek regarding this issue.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held April 21st, 2016.

Submitted by Jami Manszewski, Secretary