

Village of Clarksville  
Planning Commission Minutes  
October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

A regular monthly meeting of the Clarksville Planning Commission was held on October 19<sup>th</sup> 2017, at the Clarksville Village Hall. Chairperson Bob Blocher called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Planning Commissioners Present – Chairperson Bob Blocher, Vice Chairperson Diane Sheldon, Secretary Jami Manszewski, John Jewell, Ex Officio Bonnie Main and Zoning Administrator Derek Byers. Absent- Rick Culp.

Public comments were heard.

Bonnie provided a Council report:

- The annual Maintenance Contract with Kevin's Home Improvement with amendment to terms of payment increasing rate from \$25.00/hour to \$35.00/hour was passed.
- It was passed to renew annual contracts with Shari Clark/Hall Rental, Robbie Mutschler/Hall Cleaning, Derek Byers/Zoning Administrator, and a three year contract with Stahl Lawn Care/Leaf Removal.
- Trick-or-Treating in Clarksville 5-7 pm Tuesday October 31, 2017. Party will follow at Campbell Township Fire Department.
- It was accepted to pay Rose Barratt \$50.00 to distribute leaf removal fliers w/ community information on posted on back side.

Derek reported that there are no current updates, however, he strongly agrees that Demolition Permits need to be considered. It was also discussed with the commissioners that he would check with President Byers on a property with an existing foundation of a house exposed and have it fenced off for safety prior to Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>.

Bob Blocher reported that recycling is going well. The ice skating rink is set and ready for water when the weather gets cold enough. It will be housed underneath the pavilion this year. He will be checking with Campbell Township about donating a porta potty to be used for public use during the winter.

Bob also reported that he reached out to Ionia County in regards to the vacant and damaged building connected Papa C's. It was expressed to him by the county clerk, which they have contacted the owners, whom are out of state, and the county is taking action. Depending on if the owners are compliant on the issue, will depend if it will go to court or not.

Blocher also reported that he checked with Ionia County about Village of Clarksville and Liquor Licensing. Any business inquiring about obtaining such a license shall contact the State of Michigan.

Jami reported for Project Clarksville and stated that there are no further updates at this time.

The Master Plan edits done by the Planning Commission, are currently being reviewed and edited by Village Clerk to be accepted, however, the commissioners discussed what pictures that are currently in the Master Plan and which ones need to be updated or removed.

The topic of "Medical Marijuana" was discussed. While the subject does indeed involve the Village of Clarksville, it has to first be voted on or against in Campbell Township and at county level. At this time, no changes have been made and no motions have been taken regarding the topic. The Planning Commission will be keeping up with any updates as they may arise on this issue in the future.

Ordinance § 152.059 KEEPING IF ANIMALS was reviewed by commissioners, concerning the topic of the "keeping of backyard chickens". Jewell handed out copies of examples of such ordinances from surrounding municipalities. It was agreed to keep this topic on the agenda for next month's meeting. Commissioners will continue to discuss this topic to see what best fits the Village of Clarksville.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Submitted by Jami Manszewski, Secretary

