

TOWN OF CLARKS HILL  
APRIL 6, 2026  
COUNCIL MEETING  
6:30PM  
COMMUNITY BUILDING

Present: Carla J. Stearns President, Marlin "Brad" Warf, Sherry Sumner

Others: Scott Fisher CHPD, Diana L Luper C/T. Bruce A Luper PT/CB

Others: Carolyn Houchens, Bev Holladay, Ernie Holladay, Clark Whitley, Kathy Vernon, Jeff and Kelly Hindsley, Paige Benett, Tippecanoe Health Department.

Carla made a motion to call the meeting to order, Brad 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

Carla made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes and approve them as written.

Brad 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Carla: Paige Bennett from the Tippecanoe County Health Department is here again. She was here last month and. We didn't vote on it because Brad was absent. Brad do you have any questions for Paige?

Brad: Yes, I do. Questions on where do they propose to put this box? How much does it cost? Brad is also worried about youth. What would happen if a child got ahold of this and sprayed it up on someone's nose?

Paige, 1 This Narcan doesn't cost anything to the town. She has a grant to do this.

#2 We propose to put it in front of the Town Hall. Where there are cameras on it.

#3 If a person gets ahold of one of these and uses it on another person. It would not do anything to them. It only works if they are during a drug overdose. I could give it to myself, and it wouldn't do anything. This is something to have in your toolkit to help with overdoses. Paige: also, if you decide you don't want this anymore. Just call me and we will take it down.

Carla asked if there were any other questions from the board. Hearing none. She made a motion to accept this proposal and put it on the outside of the Town Hall. Brad 2<sup>nd</sup> it. All in favor say yeah and oppose say no. 2 yeah, and 1 no. Motion passes. Brad will put it on the Narcan box this week. Paige will be the one filling it.

Carla: If we have any update on the unsafe property on White Street? Carla said they had heard nothing from the owner. Tippecanoe County Area Plan is also looking into *this* property because it being unsafe. Carla stated she will wait the time allowed to him and if she hears nothing it will be turned over to our Lawyer, there also was a problem with his tree leaning on the neighbor's property. The Council has informed her that it would be a civil problem not a town one.

NEW BUSINESS

Carla: talked about the complaint from Ernie Holladay He wanted to know why we can't open the drainage system by the Fire Station that Bob closed in? Ernie stated that when we get a big rain it floods his basement. He would like it fixed. He has dug out 55-gallon drums of trash out of the drain to his son Joseph's house to help with his drainage problem.

Carla told him that she had talked with Andy and it wasn't a drain but if you want anything more technical you are going to have to talk to Andy. Carla will let him know about this.

Ernie would like to let the board know that Jeff Wooten is junking cars on his property again He doesn't have a business license or a Savage license. His house is zone residential.

The board will investigate this.

Carla: We also have heard complaints about the property on Pearl St. About his trash from taking down his house is blowing into the neighbor's yard. We hope that after he mows it will be better.

Diana: Would like to get permission to purchase 4 Deaf Child Area Signs. This was requested from Kelsie Hawkins (the old Lamb property) located at the corner of Madison and Pearl St. Their son is deaf. The board approved this.

Kelly: came up to the podium. Currently, the way this town has everything set up, I have over two acres of property that I can't do a damn thing except the grass grow, which you guys are going to sight me for. We're letting the grass grown So, what am I supposed to do with the farm ground? I want to run water line from my barn. Which if you guys don't know was Wayne Blacker property from the barn up to where you used to live on the road hook up a new water line which would give the town more money, fence it in and put a couple of horses. Dayton says horses are allowed So if Dayton can have horses. Clarks Hill still can't?

The Council informed her that it is in the ordinance that no Farm animals in the town limits.

Kelly, yes area plan is okay with it I talked to them They don't understand the problem.

Kelly, I want to know why I can't. Why? But I can't do anything. You guys won't even allow me to build on that property. What am I supposed to do with it?

Carla, Yeah, Area Plan says you must split the property to do that. Kelly it is split.

Carla, you mean it's split.

Kelly stated it is being split Well once it's split then why can't I have horses? Why are you running a town that needs money? That is going to turn down the water bill and sewage bill? Kelly, I mean, seriously, is the town got so much money that they just threw it away?

Brad stated this is the first time we have heard anything about this.

Kelly So, well I can guarantee you I will not be mowing it if I can't do anything with it And I'll guarantee you, you will be sending out a thing that's going to tell me that I have to mow it because I won't mow it. I'm just going to bush hog it and let it grow up Let the trees grow up Let my daughter plan on putting cars back there to roll around so it can look like everybody else's property. The neighborhood around here is because the town looks like [beep]. I mean, you allow the neighbor across the street to grow all these damn things up and put all this fence to make it look crappy. I am trying to make the place look nice and you guys will love it.

Carla, The Town has an ordinance that states no Farm animals within the Town limits.

Kelly, So what about the chickens and pigs in the Town?

Carla stated that the pigs are potbelly pigs and are pets. They go home at night. Chickens are not allowed.

Kelly, you didn't realize that we had a horse down there for about 34 days.

Scott stated that he did know. They didn't say anything because they didn't think it was permeant. Kelly stated that it wasn't it was just quartered for 30 days now it is being boarded somewhere else.

Carla stated that she couldn't be part of this because Kelly is family.

Kelly stated that We aren't family She {beep} is not family. She {beep} me over when my parents died. She can go to hell and back.

Diana told her that was enough. If she can't be civil, she could be asked to leave.

Kelly stated she would leave. She was told okay.

Scott, I will need to look at the history at that address down there. I know that the county was down there for something at first, they lied to him first about the horse. There's something in the notes about it. I think you're going to report on it, So I need to pull that and talk with the Council. It is all public information. So I'm happy to pull and share it.

Carla stated that she wouldn't be involved in it. The two board members would make the decision and if they're not in agreement, Diana will break the tie.

Carla Ok let's move on.

Bev, why can't we do something about the trashiness in this town? I can't look out but one window at my home and see anything clean.

Carla, unfortunately, as much as I would love to be able to go into these people's houses I know, but I can't control everything. Now the neighbor I think is temporary. We are working on it.

Carla asked what would you like the Council to do?

Bev, how about sending out certified letters to these people. Give them so much time and fine them if they don't get it cleaned up.

Bev, would also like the Stop Sign put back up at Madison and White St. Because she is afraid of one of the 15+ kids that live in the trailer park. Some one is going to get hit and killed.

Carla, I don't think that is the answer. I agree we need to do something. But not a Stop sign. If we do that, we will need to put a stop sign at every intersection in town.

Scott has had a conversation with the mother at the trailer park. It didn't go well.

Bev, if something is not doing anything about this and someone gets hurt. I will testify against the town.

Carla, now we hear you loud and clear. It's time to move on to something else. Do you guys have anything else other than a stop sign?

Carla, Clark, do you want to bring us up to date on the pickle ball court? Yeah? So I've been working on the pickle ball court project. It will go where the old swings are now. I've got some Estimates here. Everything's coming in under budget. When I say under budget, there's a total of \$30,000. It looks like we should have enough to do shelter too.

Carla, Kathy, do you have anything? No

Scott, anything new? No Grass warnings will start going out soon.

Kleinpeter would like us to pay off the Sewer loan. It is \$21,000.

The board is alright with this. Diana will get it done.

Carla wanted to know if anyone else has anything? Hearing none

Carla moved to adjourn.

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ATTESTED:  
DIANA L LUPER, CLERK/TREASURER