CITY OF CLARKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 26, 2016

The Clarksville City Council met in special session September 26, 2016, in the City Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Val Swinton in the chair and Council members Roger Doty, Jeff Kolb, Diane Renning, Kenneth Smith and Travis Sterken present.

Attending was --- Mitch Nordmeyer, Butler County Emergency Management Agency; Suzanne Garcia, Outreach – Butler County; Matt Ramker, Butler County Solid Waste; Matt Kampman, City Maintenance Superintendent; Barry Mackey, Police Chief; Robert Landrum, Patrolman; and Larry Betts, Financial Administration.

Purpose for the special City Council meeting was to review progress with efforts toward recovery of the 2016 Flood. The Council decided that letters will be mailed to all affected residents in the near future along with a questionnaire to find out damages assessments and to provide information on when and where the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will be set up once a federal disaster declaration is made and to provide other recovery resources. The City Hall has started the process of collecting data, volunteer list, expense list (such as cost for debris removal, city employee overtime wages, use of equipment and vehicles, supplies, etc.) that will be needed for the City to file for Public Assistance.

Mitch Nordmeyer briefed the Council that a team from Butler County CERT will be going door to door to conduct preliminary damage assessments. They will collect data to help get an estimated value of damage county wide. This will help with the federal disaster declaration request.

Suzanne Garcia briefed the Council that residents wanting to apply for the grant funds from the lowa Individual Assistance Program should contact her. This program can help with replacement of such items as a furnace, water heater, air conditioner, etc.

Matt Ramker and Matt Kampman briefed the Council on the progress with debris removal. Ramker said that more equipment/trucks will be arriving tomorrow from various companies to assist with hauling debris to the landfill. Kampman reported that the site will be open to receive debris through this upcoming weekend. Also Kampman said the pumping out of the Sanitary Sewer System in catching up and the ban on non-usage to the public should soon be lifted.

Mitch Nordmeyer will assist the Council with working to get a meeting scheduled with the Army Corp of Engineers, City Engineer, and other agencies to talk about mitigation planning. This meeting will be open for all to participate in the discussions.

Motion Sterken, to adjourn the special City Council meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Val Swinton Mayor

Attest: Larry D. Betts, CMC

City Clerk/Treasurer