

TOWN OF CLERMONT
9049 Crawfordsville Road
Clermont, IN 46234

June 11, 2026

Monthly Town Council Meeting

Call to Order at 7:01 and Pledge of Allegiance

The following council members, who constituted at least 50% of the members of the council, were present in person: Councilor Beam, Councilor Lambard, Councilor Lemaire and Councilor Topf. Councilor Sauro attended remotely, joining the meeting at 7:35.

Absent Council Member(s): None

Others present: Police Chief, Steve Dulworth; Clerk, Grace Brenzek; Clerk-Treasurer, Larry Beiter

I. Special Guests: None

Special Guest Comment Period: NA

II. Public in Attendance: Nancy Baxter, Elwood Minton, Chasadee Minton, Bernie Denning, Sam Schilling, Jaclyn Fries

Public Attending Remotely: None

Public Comment Period:

Nancy Baxter, a Clermont Resident and Clermont Lions Club member, announced that the Lions Club would be again hosting the Clermont Parade, Festival and Rodeo. The Rodeo was a great success last year and it would be appreciated if the Town would again consider helping to sponsor this year's Rodeo. Please let her know if more information is needed or if the Town would like to participate. It was noted the Tree Allies plan to host a float for the parade as well as a booth at the festival, similar to last year.

Bernie Denning, a Clermont Resident and president of the Lincolnwood Neighborhood Association, is in the process of fabricating a pump assembly for the Town utility vehicle to facilitate watering of Right of Way Flowers and recently planted Town trees. He provided some background on the equipment and related concerns. A discussion about various watering approaches ensued. Bernie is also Vice-President of the Tree Allies and he illustrated several concerns about summer tree care. Nancy Baxter offered to join the Watering Team in their efforts to maintain the Right of Way Flowers this summer. The Council and residents were very receptive to this offer; Nancy has a long history of keeping Clermont beautiful.

Sam Schilling, a nearby resident living south of Town and member of the Robey PTO and Friend of Robey Park, provided information about a relocatable speed table that could be made available for installation on a Town street. Councilor Lambard proposed the installation of a permanent speed-table/crosswalk across Tansel Road near the intersection with Kathleen Street. This location is based on conversations with and communications received from nearby Clermont residents. It may be possible to use the relocatable unit in a different location. Councilor Lambard will obtain quotes and include this in the budget. It may be possible to reallocate 2026 funding for this project.

III. Public Hearing on Proposed Additional 2026 Budget Appropriation

The Clerk-Treasurer presented a proposed resolution to appropriate additional funds for purchase of a police vehicle to replace the one recently totaled. The June 2026 Additional Budget Appropriation increases the Public Safety – Police Car budget from \$48,000 to \$98,000. The cost of the new vehicle is less than the \$50,000 requested by the Resolution. \$32,000 will be received from the insurance company for the totaled vehicle. The total additional funds for the new vehicle are estimated to be less than \$15,000. The Public Hearing opened at 7:13. There were no Public comments received prior to the meeting and none were voiced during the hearing. The Public Hearing ended at 7:15.

Councilor Lambard made a motion to approve the June 2026 Budget Additional Appropriation Resolution as presented. Councilor Lemaire seconded the motion. Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye, and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

The June 2026 Budget Additional Appropriation Resolution was signed by the Councilors and assigned number 20260611-R01.

IV. Town Attorney's Report - Attorney Lutz was unable to attend the meeting.

- A. Fire Contract – The approved Fire Protection Resolutions have been submitted to the State Board of Accounts for Review. No additional motions were made or acted on.
- B. Real Estate Matters – Eminent Domain – No updates were provided. No motions were made or acted on.
- C. Clermont Recodification – No updates were provided. No motions were made or acted on.
- D. Public Notice – 4800 Raceway – 2026-CPL-8122 and 2026-CVR-812 – A copy of this public notice, concerning rezoning of a property on Raceway Road was provided for Council Review. The location and intent of the Variance was briefly discussed. No motions were made or acted on.

V. Police Department Report – Chief Dulworth

- A. Police Vehicle – Final equipment installation and commissioning of the new Police vehicle is in process.
- B. Ordinance and Speeding Enforcement - Chief Dulworth provided an overview of Police statistics for May. Law enforcement activity increased, primarily due to minor issues related to race related activity. Speed Sign data gathered on Tansel Road near the Lions Club Park indicate an average speed of 26.5 miles per hour and approximately 1,500 cars passing per day. The police have one officer on duty at any time. They are clocking drivers in that area in an attempt to control speeding on Tansel. While there have been some resident complaints, they feel that they are having some success at controlling drivers speeding in that area. Courtesy notices have been sent to two Town properties for failure to control vegetation and remove fallen trees. The properties will be inspected in 7 days and citations will be issued if not resolved. It is possible that the Town may need to step in and take action to complete clean-up and bill the residents for the associated costs. Councilor Lemaire suggested that the Town should step in immediately, Councilors Topf and Beam explained the process required by our ordinance. The Council discussed who would obtain quotes for remediation and the option of using our existing landscaping contractor. Councilor Lambard will obtain quotes when required. No further motions were made or acted on.
- C. Miscellaneous – Bernie Denning asked about the rules concerning fireworks and how they fit with local noise ordinances. Chief Dulworth provided an overview of the times allowed for legal use of fireworks on and around the fourth of July. There are no restrictions on the use of fireworks within the times and days specifically permitted by the County. Councilor Beam will publish the allowable times in the next electronic Town newsletter.
Planning for National Night Out in August is in progress.
Councilor Topf noted that she and Chief Dulworth will be meeting with Roby School administrators to determine how to improve the school related traffic difficulties prior to the start of the new school year. The Council and residents discussed this issue and possible resolutions. No motions were made or acted on.

Councilor Sauro joined the meeting remotely at 7:35.

VI. Clerk-Treasurer's Report - Larry Beiter

- A. AP Vouchers – AP Vouchers and invoices were provided for Council review and approval. Included were the first half 2026 Fire Contract and 2026 CCMG Pavement Preservation payments. No motions were made or acted on.
- B. Financial Report – The Clerk-Treasurer presented for review the previous month and year-to-date financial reports, including a full record of all receipts and disbursements. The Bank Account reconciliation was completed successfully for May. No other issues were noted with the Financial Review.

Councilor Lemaire made a motion to accept the April financial report. Councilor Beam seconded the motion.

A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

- C. Meeting Minutes - Prior to this meeting, Council members reviewed the draft minutes for the May 14th Regular Council Meeting, the May 19th Executive Session and the May 19th Special Meeting. Their comments have been incorporated in the current drafts.

Councilor Lambard made a motion to accept the May 14th Regular Council Meeting Minutes. Councilor Lambard seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilor Lemaire made a motion to accept the May 19th Executive Session Memorandum. Councilor Beam seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

Councilor Lambard made a motion to accept the May 19th Special Council Meeting Minutes. Councilor Beam seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

- D. Budget Development – The Councilors were provided an updated copy of the Preliminary 2027 Budget worksheet based on the May 19th Special Meeting. Additional comments and one-on-one meeting are encouraged as needed. No motions were made or acted on.
- E. Business Owner Conversations – Councilor Beam and Clerk Brenzek are finalizing a flyer for reaching out to Clermont Business Owners. No updates were provided. No motions were made or acted on.
- F. AES Follow-up – Attorney Lutz has sent a formal letter to AES, the IURC (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission) concerning the contested electric meter fees. No response has been received. No motions were made or acted on.
- G. Title VI Plan Update - The Clerk-Treasurer and Attorney Lutz are working on a revised draft of the Town Title VI plan. No motions were made or acted on.
- H. 2026 Rainy Day Budget Reduction of Appropriation Resolution – Prior to the meeting, the Clerk-Treasurer and Councilor Topf discussed the on-going process for eminent domain and how a purchase would be made. Based on this discussion, Clerk-Treasurer Beiter presented the Council with a proposed June 2026 Budget Appropriation Reduction Resolution. This resolution would return a total of \$50,000 in appropriate funds to allow for future reallocation. The Council discussed the previous budgeted items. It was agreed that \$25,000 in Fire Contract contingency funds was not required. Councilor Lemaire and Chief Dulworth agreed that they would not require \$15,000 in Police Equipment funds. Councilor Sauro agreed she would not require \$10,000 in Park Equipment funds.

Councilor Topf made a motion to consider the accept the 2026 Rainy Day Budget Reduction of Appropriation Resolution. Councilor Lambard seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

The Council and participants discussed briefly the status of the eminent domain cast which is scheduled for a court hearing in November.

Councilor Beam made a motion to approves the 2026 Rainy Day Budget Reduction of Appropriation Resolution. Councilor Lambard seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

The 2026 Rainy Day Budget Reduction of Appropriation Resolution was signed by the Councilors and assigned number 20260611-R02.

VII. Facilities and Maintenance – Councilor Kim Sauro

- A. Roadside Planting – The flower pots have been planted and placed. We received donations of bulbs from some residents that were utilized. Planting of the Right-of-way planting areas with the Tree Allies is in progress. Councilor Sauro and the Clerk Treasurer discussed the possibility of utilizing unused funds allocated for the roadside flower pots for use in the Roadside bed planting. The Clerk-Treasurer confirmed that there are sufficient funds allocated in the budget for Roadside bed planting to continue with the project. No further appropriations are required at this time and are not expected to be needed.
No motions were made or acted on.

VIII. Streets Report

- A. CCMG Grants – Councilor Lambard presented information about the road treatment process that was completed recently for a portion of Clermont roads. He provided an overview of his planned approach to use this treatment process throughout Town as part of a long-term road improvement effort. He is working with USI on

a scope of work for chip sealing and road treatment. The Councilors and attendees discussed further the treatment process. Councilor Lambard explained the approach for completing the required Pavement Asset Management Plan (PAMP) every 2 years to support CCMG requests. He also presented two Authorization to Proceed contract attachments from USI, covering completion of the PAMP (\$13,000 max) and support of the next CCMG application (\$9,000). These contracts are Time and Material based.

Councilor Lambard made a motion to accept the Authorization to Proceed contract amendments from USI. Councilor Beam seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

- B. ADA Transition Plan Status – No updates. Councilor Lambard is waiting on the potential inclusion of a new building. No motions were made or acted on.
- C. Snow / Salt Contract – Councilor Lambard provided a copy of the proposed 2026/2027 Snow and Salt contract offered by the current provider, All-Terrain. The quoted prices are the same as the 2025/2026 contract for all services except plowing, which increases from \$600 to \$720 due to fuel cost escalation. Councilor Lambard provided an overview of the approach for snow response. The Council and attendees discussed the various activities and prices. Councilor Beam confirmed that the contract should include shoveling snow in from of Town Hall.

Councilor Lambard made a motion to accept the proposed 2026/2027 Snow Salt Contract from All-Terrain. Councilor Lemaire seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

- D. Miscellaneous – Councilor Lambard is requesting quotes for installation of a speed table/cross walk with appropriate signage on Tansel near Kathleen.

Councilor Lambard made a motion to install a speed table/cross walk with appropriate signage on Tansel near Kathleen at a cost not to exceed \$25,000. Councilor Beam seconded the motion.

Councilor Beam explained that he was in favor of considering options for speed control on Tansel. He noted that the federal transportation website provides several options for speed control that can be evaluated in a stepwise approach. The Council and Clerk-Treasurer discussed the current budget and what funding was currently budgeted for sidewalk and curb improvement. There are currently \$15,000 available for this effort that would only require Councilor vote for reallocation. It was recommended to restate the motion.

Councilor Lambard made a motion to reallocate \$15,000 from the Local Road and Street Budget line 365 for installation of a speed table/cross walk with appropriate signage on Tansel near Kathleen at a cost not to exceed \$15,000. Councilor Beam seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

The center line on Tansel road has faded and restriping is required. Councilor Lambard is soliciting quotes to restripe and questioned the reason for a double line as opposed to a single yellow line and the Council and attendees discussed at length. No motions were made or acted on.

IX. Communications / Technology – Councilor Mike Beam

- A. Town Signage – The temporary signs for advertising the Town Yard Signs seem to have been helpful. There were twenty-five yard sales registered on the Town Website. We will plan on doing the same next year and keeping the yard sale weekend the third week of May.
The final Street Signs are due for delivery. Councilors Beam and Lambard have identified locations for the new sign. Some will be relocated slightly from current locations to accommodate the new sign configuration. Installation will begin during the upcoming week and will continue throughout the summer. Councilor Beam is submitting 811 tickets on a rolling basis as the work progresses. The Council discussed various details of sign installation. Installation of new signs will be prioritized, followed by removal of old street signs. No motions were made or acted on.
- B. Technology – Councilor Beam has obtained proposals from four IT service companies for routine day-to-day computer support for the Clerk's office and Town Hall. We are including funds for this in the 2027 budget. No motions were made or acted on.

- C. Tree Board Report – Councilor Beam provided an overview of the Tree Allies June meeting. They plan on hosting a table at the National Night Out event, the June Car Show at the Lions Club was cancelled. A sub-committee is working on a comprehensive Town Tree Plan. Nominees have been identified for tree dedications. A tree in the Right of Way near Spring Field Overlook needs to be removed, tree maintenance in Miller park will be coordinated with this tree removal.

Nancy Baxter invited the Tree Allies to again host a table at the Clermont Lions Town Festival this year. There will be no fees. They would be allowed to advertise the tree sale. No motions were made or acted on.

- D. Newsletter – All elected officials and the police department should provide content for the summer Town newsletter by June 12th. It was suggested to include information about the road preservation treatment approach and the Rodeo. Councilor Beam thanked volunteers Amy, Peggy and Ron for their help with the summer newsletter, targeted for mailing in early July. No motions were made or acted on.

X. New Business

- A. New Fencing near 3311 Tansel – The Council discussed resident concerns about the fence. Councilor Beam reviewed Town and City ordinances and permit requirements and provided a summary prior to the meeting. Clerk Brenzek will follow-up and ensure that the resident receives the communication. No motions were made or acted on.
- B. Recognition of Residents –A long-time resident recently passed away and the Town considered honoring them with flowers, a donation or tree planted in her honor. The Councilors and Clerks discussed this practice and how it would work. Two residents were nominated for recognition of their long-time service to the Town. The Tree Allies are finalizing a plan for planting trees in the honor of long-time residents who have served the Town. The Clerk-Treasurer would like a documented process or plan to be followed to help guide these types of resident recognition. Councilor Lemaire requested that the Council consider if this was a wise use of limited Town Funds, Councilor Sauro suggested a limit on donations or expense, possibly \$25. No motions were made or acted on.
- C. Open Town Action Requests – All open Action Requests are actively being pursued. No motions were made or acted on.
- E. Miscellaneous – Councilor Beam provided an overview of two suggestions made by resident volunteer Heidi Boyle. She is a Tree Board member, part of the watering team, and is currently working with Krystal Zimmerman on landscaping roadside flower beds. She suggested that the Town would benefit from a Sign Board that could serve as a welcome sign as well as a sign-board noting upcoming events and community news. Councilor Topf suggested that a new Town Hall building would be a good location for this type of signage. We will endeavor to include funds in an upcoming budget to support this project. She also suggested that we consider painting the curbs on Crawfordsville Road green to match the Town Sign color scheme. The Council and residents discussed. This would require INDOT approval prior to taking action. No motions were made or acted on.

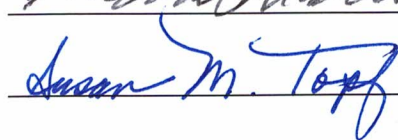
XI. Adjournment

Councilor Lemaire moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 P.M. Councilor Sauro seconded the motion. A roll call note was taken. Councilor Sauro votes, Aye, Councilor Lambard votes, Aye, Councilor Beam votes, Aye, Councilor Lemaire votes, Aye and Councilor Topf votes, Aye. Motion was unanimously approved.

The next Regular Council meeting will be held on July 9th, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.

Approve: Town Council





Attest: Clerk-Treasurer