CITY OF CLARKESVILLE QUALIFICATIONS FOR CANDIDATES August 01, 2022 – August 05, 2022

- 1. All persons must be of **sound mind** and fit to discharge the duties of the office to which they are chosen or elected O.C.G.A. 45-2-1(5)
- 2. All persons must be registered to vote. Ga. Constitution, Article II, Section II, Para. III.
- 3. All persons must be <u>21 years of age</u>. <u>O.C.G.A.</u> 45-2-1(1).
- 4. No person shall be eligible to hold office who has been <u>convicted and sentenced</u> of a felony involving <u>moral turpitude</u> under the laws of this or any other state when the offense is also a felony in this state, unless that person's civil rights have been restored and at least 10 years have elapsed from the date of the completion of the sentence without a subsequent conviction of another felony involving moral turpitude. Ga. Constitution, Article II, Section II, Para. III, and <u>O.C.G.A.</u> 45-2-1(3).
- 5. <u>Federal employees</u> are <u>prohibited</u> from election to public office, except the postmaster or officers and enlisted persons in the military. <u>O.C.G.A.</u> 45-2-1(4).
- 6. Any Municipal Charter requirements. (Must be qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly of Georgia).
- The residency requirement for a <u>candidate</u> for any municipal office, except (a) offices of judicial nature, or (b) alderman, shall be <u>12 months residency</u> within the municipality prior to the date of election. <u>O.C.G.A.</u> 45-2-1(1).
- Persons meeting the above qualifications shall <u>file a "Notice of Candidacy"</u> in the Habersham County Elections & Registration Office (located at 130 Jacob's Way, Suite 101, Clarkesville, Georgia 30523) during qualifying week. Qualifying for the November 08, 2022 Special Election is August 01, 2022 – August 05, 2022 from 8:300 a.m. –4:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday, and Friday, 8:30 a.m. – Noon, (except for a one-hour lunch break) Georgia Municipal Election Code 21-3-91(e).
- 9. A <u>qualifying fee</u> for the office of City Council Member is **\$18.00**, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City of Clarkesville, Georgia. Municipal Code 21-3-90(a). (*Cash payments NOT accepted. ONLY checks or money orders are accepted; make payable to Habersham County Commissioners.*)

The Seat Up for this November 8, 2022 Special Election is as follows:

City Council Member, Post 2 – Seat formerly held by Roxie Barron

This seat is for a remainder term of one (1) year and approximately one (1) month, beginning on or about December 5, 2022 through December 31, 2023.