

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA

FEBRUARY 27, 2008

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in regular session on the above date. All members were present. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Michael Cooper. There was a motion by Martz seconded by Jagers to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2008 meeting. Those voting aye: Jagers, Cooper, Martz, Romine. Nays: No one. Abstain: Bonham

CAR WASH: Steve Dowling, owner of the car wash is requesting that the town make some type of adjustment on his water and sewage bill at the car wash. He would like to continue to do business with the town utilities, but if some adjustment can't be made he said he will have to put in his own well. Council suggested that Chip Long contact Umbaugh and talk with them about a commercial rate, what would the impact be on the revenue to the utilities, and if a study needs to be done to make this determination what would be the estimated cost.

WIMMER LAND SURVEYS: Don Wimmer spoke to the Council on behalf of Dan and Janet Smith on Jefferson St. They are wanting to build a home and need to have Fifth Street extended. It was the consensus of the Council to allow the street to be extended, but it would have to be at least 48' wide.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The contract between the Town and the Fire Department needs to be updated. Holtzleiter presented the Council with two drafts. Upon the recommendation of Clerk-Treasurer and Fire Chief there was a motion by Romine seconded by Martz to accept draft 2 contract for fire prevention between the town and the Fire Dept. with the adjustment in wording on item 9 that the contract will be reviewed annually. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Martz, Cooper. Nays: No one.

GRANT AWARDS: Chief Holtzleiter announced that the Fire Department and the Police Department had been awarded grants. The Fire Department will receive \$3995.00 to be used for an .IPS System a controller that would enable the merger to 800 megahertz and the Police Department will receive \$2978.00 to purchase an 800 megahertz radio. The Council thanked Holtzleiter for his work in applying for these grants.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: Long reported that the construction at the Wastewater plant has stopped temporarily due to the weather.

HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS PLAN: It was brought to the attention that there is an employee that is covered by spousal insurance and cannot be taken off the policy. According to IRS regulations, you cannot be covered by this Health Savings Plan and another insurance. Since the employee cannot be covered by the HSA plan they wanted compensated the \$2,000 that would be contributed to the employee's HSA or receive a portion of the premium the town would be saving. The Council expressed that this was a benefit to the employee and the intent was not a pay incentive. There was a motion by Romine seconded by Jagers that the employee cannot be covered by the insurance and would not be compensated. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Martz, Romine. Nays: No one.

HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS PLAN: Questions have been asked about open enrollment for the new plan and prorating of town contribution for current and new employees. Jagers and Clerk are to work on policy and bring back to next meeting for approval.

PARK BOARD APPOINTMENT: Motion by Martz seconded by Romine to reappoint Angie Taylor to another four year term to the Upland Park Board. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Martz, Romine. Nays: No one.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: Motion by Romine seconded by Bonham to appoint William Johnson as representative to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Martz, Romine. Nays: No one.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, March 12th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
JANE E. ROCKWELL
CLERK-TREASURER

SIGNED: _____
COUNCIL PRESIDENT