

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA

APRIL 8, 2009

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in regular session on the above date. Bonham and Jagers were absent. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Michael Cooper. There was a motion by Romine seconded by Martz to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2009 meeting. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

TRIAD ASSOCIATES: Lou Savka with Triad Associates was present at the meeting to discuss several issues with the Council. Bids were received and opened today for additional water main work at 8th and Berry, Main and Hope, and Kershner Commons.

Thirteen bids were received. The apparent low bidder is Keith Sullivan Excavating with a bid of \$240,839.85. There was a motion by Romine seconded by Martz to accept the bid of \$240,839.85 from Keith Sullivan Excavating contingent upon the bid is complete after review by Jim McKown and Triad Associates. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one. There was also a motion by Romine seconded by Martz to approve Cooper the signing of any pertinent documents. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

PAYING OF CLAIMS: There was a motion by Martz seconded by Romine to authorize Town Manager to sign and approve claims for the water main work. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOW ISSUE: Savka expressed to the Council that we are experiencing inflow and infiltration into the sanitary sewer collection system on the northeast side of town. His recommendation to the Council is to have portions of the sanitary sewer system cleaned and televised. The main storm sewer lines need to be cleaned on the northeast side. Blockages are causing backups and flooding that is compounding problems with the sanitary system. There was a motion by Romine seconded by Martz to contract this work to be done at a cost of \$20,000.00 or less. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES: Savka shared with the Council there is a one time grant opportunity available through federal funds. The Disaster Recovery #2 funding is available for any communities in counties deemed disasters as a result of flooding that occurred in 2008. Upland is eligible to apply for these funds. Applications will be accepted on June 12, 2009 for storm water funding. Requests may be made up to One Million without any match requirement. There was a motion by Martz seconded by Romine to seek grant funds. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

There is also up to \$150,000.00 grant available for fire trucks under the Disaster Recovery #2 funding. These applications are due on July 31, 2009. There was a motion by Martz seconded by Romine to also seek these funds for a fire truck. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

STORM WATER UTILITY: It was the recommendation of Triad Associates that the town pursue enacting a storm water utility. A flat rate of \$3.00 to \$4.00 per property can generate \$30,000.00 to \$40,000.00 per year for system maintenance, replacement and general improvements. There was no action taken on the matter at this time.

UMBAUGH: Jeff Rowe and Danny Marsh presented to the Council year end reports for the Water and Sewage Utilities. The financial reports were on target with the recent rate increases and the increases that will be implemented the next two years.

ORDINANCE NO. 1-2009: There was a motion by Martz seconded by Romine to contribute \$1500.00 into each full time employee's retirement or HSA insurance fund for the year 2009. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2009: There was a motion by Martz seconded by Romine to approve Salary Ordinance No. 2-2009 whereas an increase of \$.60 per hour was given to Officer William Chambers for completing twelve years of employment effective March 24, 2009. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

POLICE RADIOS: Five new 800 MHz radios have been given to the police department from the counties E-911 monies.

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2009: Motion by Romine seconded by Martz to approve Ordinance No. 3-2009 an ordinance to amend legal description of phase III of Kershner Commons. Those voting aye: Cooper, Romine, Martz. Nays: No one.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST: _____ **SIGNED:** _____
JANE E. ROCKWELL **COUNCIL PRESIDENT**
CLERK-TREASURER