

**TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA,  
MARCH 14, 2012**

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 Jagers seconded by Schwartz to approve the minutes from the February 29, 2012 meeting. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

**181 E. URBAN:** Kelly Batic, previous owner at 181 E. Urban St. came to the Council to seek help with the property before it sells at a Sheriff's sale on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The Batic family had to move out of the house two years ago because of illness caused by mold in the home. It has since gone back to the bank in foreclosure. Mrs. Batic does not want another family to have to go through what their family did. She told the Council that the bank does not have to disclose that there is mold in the house. She would like for the Council to have the property condemned. The town does have an Unsafe Building Ordinance in place, but needs some further guidance from the Mr. Forcum. Mr. Bonham suggested that the Batics contact their attorney and have him file an affidavit what is going on with the property and it would show up in a title search. It would then be up to the potential buyer whether they would want to proceed with the purchase. Mr. Bonham will also contact Mr. Forcum to see what legal recourse the town has.

**FIRE TRUCK:** Brian Holtzleiter has scheduled to look at Fire Trucks on Thursday and Friday at 6:30 p.m. to finish the final specs of purchasing a new truck. He invited any Council member interested to attend.

**NEW POLICE CAR:** Marshal Parker told the Council that the new police car should be here the last week of March.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2-2012:** Motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2012 to set procedures for the Town of Upland concerning the retirement of it's Police Officers. Upon the completion of, and retirement from 20 years or longer on the Upland Police Department, any Officer will receive the following: Retired Law Enforcement Badge, Retired law Enforcement Credentials, Service weapon and State issued retired Law Enforcement Lifetime Gun permit. Also, a disabled officer serving honorably in excess of 10 years shall be awarded the same privileges. The family of an Officer who has died while still a member of the department will receive that Officer's badge and service weapon. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

**COMMUNITY BUILDING:** Ross gave an update on the renovation of the Community Building. Kitchen cabinets are in, appliances have been ordered, and some interior painting has been done. Several volunteers have been involved with the process making our budget stretch farther. A big thank you for all the hard work that Donna Bauer has put into this project.

**COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY:** Clerk-Treasurer announced that the Chamber of Commerce is having a town clean-up day on Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> from 8am to 12pm. Anyone interested in helping should meet at the Fire Station at 8am. Lunch will be provided.

**QUOTES FOR LOAN ON FIRE STATION:** Clerk-Treasurer has received quotes from Star Financial Bank and Pacesetter Bank for borrowing money to purchase a new fire truck. Each Council member was given a copy for review.

**PROCLAMATION:** Cooper presented to the Council a proposed Proclamation from the East Central Chapter of the Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children, Inc. The Council requested more information before making the proclamation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upland Town Hall.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

JANE E. ROCKWELL, C.T.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT