

**TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA,
APRIL 11, 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 Schwartz seconded by Bonham to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2012 meeting. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

TAYLOR UNIVERSITY BOND ISSUE: Steve Olson from Taylor University was at the meeting to request refinancing of their 2002 and 2003 Bond issues. They would be able to obtain a new interest rate under 4%. Cooper presented a Resolution regarding the refinancing. There was then a motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to consent to adopt o the same day and at the same meeting as presented. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

RESOLUTION: Motion by Jagers seconded by Schwartz to approve a Resolution authorizing Taylor University to issue revenue bonds for refinancing of their 2002 and 2003 issues. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION ORDINANCE: Bill Wiley asked the Council about the status of the ordinance that was presented to the Council for consideration by Our Town Upland two years ago. Jagers responded that he has suggested to the Council doing a comprehensive self-study of the town. Jagers suggested an organizational chart, policies and procedures. This ordinance being a part of unfinished business that needs to be addressed along with the Charette. Hopefully we will find things that we can do better. Ross added he would like to see the self-study started soon. Bonham also commented that the Area Plan Commission is also working on the Grant County Master Plan which Upland's participation could coordinate with their plan.

FIRE TRUCK: Motion by Bonham seconded by Jagers to advertise for bids for a new fire truck. Those voting aye: Bonham, Jagers, Cooper, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

CONTRACTOR REQUEST: A request by a local contractor to consider waiving capacity fees for three years was denied. The Council appreciates the concern, but the legitimacy of implementing the fees is still valid today and the consensus of the Council is not to waive the fees. The fees allow for new construction, looping of lines and repairs and maintenance.

CHICKENS IN TOWN: A request was made by a resident to allow chickens in town. Our current ordinance does not allow livestock or poultry. It was the consensus of the Council to abide by the ordinance.

PERF FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES: Rockwell gave a report to the Council on participation in PERF. The cost of participation is cost prohibitive. The Council agreed to look into other options for retirement benefits.

COMMUNITY BUILDING: Ross reported on progress of the Community Building remodeling. He expressed there had been a lot of volunteer labor which has been greatly appreciated.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upland Town Hall.

ATTEST: _____ SIGNED: _____

JANE E. ROCKWELL, C.T.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT