

## TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, OCTOBER 10, 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 Charles Jagers. There was a motion by Schwartz seconded by Carmin to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2012 meeting. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

**COMMUNITY BUILDING:** Donna Bauer gave the Council a report on completion of the interior renovation of the Community Building. As the volunteer project manager, she gave the Council some recommendations on maintaining and rental of the building. Council again thanked Ms. Bauer for her hard work on the project.

**OLD FIRE STATION/LIBRARY:** Chip Long had a quote for demolition from Keith Sullivan Excavating. The Council would like to see a cost study for renovation and what would be the estimated square footage needed whether or not we rebuilt at that location or somewhere else.

**LAKEVIEW ADDITION:** Lakeview addition paving and drainage project is complete. The drainage seems to be working well.

**AT & T CONTRACT:** Mr. Forcum has read the current contract and has approved the addendum. There was a motion by Carmin seconded by Bonham to authorize Chip Long to execute and to proceed with the addendum to the contract replacing 7 antennas and add 3 more but getting in writing that the structure will hold the additional weight on the tower. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

**PARK BOARD:** Carmin asked what is happening with the Park Board? Why have there been no meetings? It was discussed that maybe a morning meeting could be scheduled. Since a quorum is hard to get, could we expand from a four member board to a seven member board. Since the development of the parks are complete we need to find out if the board still wants to be a part of maintenance and future growth therefore taking on more responsibility. Long and Ross will speak to the current members and see if they want to continue on the board. The Council would like to have an answer back by the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**PARK REPAIRS:** Carmin would like to see the benches and the barbeque grills fixed at the park.

**CARDINAL GREENWAY:** Will it happen or not? Consensus of the Council not to wait to do our own business in the parks while we wait for the Greenway.

**TOWN HALL:** Carmin commented that the acoustics in the Town Hall are terrible. What can be done about it? Maybe look into some acoustic tiles or even a PA system.

**PARKING:** It is posted No parking on the east side of Second Street between Berry and Jefferson. Is there an ordinance? Why is it not enforced if so? Clerk will check the books to see if there is an ordinance and report back to next meeting.

**LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS:** There will be a Local Elected Officials meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup> in Matthews.

**APPRECIATION:** Schwartz wanted to thank Chip Long for the way he keeps everything moving.

**SALARY ORDINANCE:** Motion by Schwartz seconded Ross to approve Salary Ordinance No-12-2012 establishing salary for employee Ralph Wallace. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

**DOG PARK:** Ross reported they had met concerning the dog park. They would like to get more members on board. They will be meeting again on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>. They will be discussing fund raising and maintenance. Hoping to meet on a monthly basis and then take action in the spring if that is the way we choose to go.

**TREES:** The question was raised what responsibility does the property owner have if their tree falls on someone's personal property. That would be a question we need to ask Mr. Forcum. Who is responsible for the trees between the sidewalk and the street in the easement? Clerk thinks it was established that they belong to the property owner. She was asked to look to see if she could find that in the minutes.

**TRANSIENT MERCHANT ORDINANCE:** Motion by Ross seconded by Carmin to approve Ordinance No. 2012-11 regulating transient merchants, peddlers and solicitors. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m. There will be an executive session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss personnel.

ATTEST:  SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
JANE E. ROCKWELL, C.T. COUNCIL PRESIDENT