

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA,

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 Bonham to approve the minutes from the November 28, 2012 meeting. Those voting aye: Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

PARKING: The question was raised by Nancy Gore as to whether customers would be able to park on the north side of Railroad Street to unload their cars at Helping Hand. It was the consensus of the Council and the Police Department that short term parking to unload a vehicle would not receive a ticket.

CATTLE INSIDE THE TOWN LIMITS: Don Knudsen, 211 W. Overlook Drive was at the meeting to request permission to raise cattle behind five homes on Overlook Drive. There is an ordinance that specifies that livestock is not allowed within the town limits. The Council is not in favor of bypassing the Ordinance to allow the cattle because they feel it would be setting a precedence. Mr. Forcum suggested that the town look into deannexing procedure. Mr. Knudsen will get feed back from the neighbors on the issue and Mr. Forcum will look into the matter and report back at the next meeting.

BID OPENING: Lou Savka, Triad Associates presented to the Council the six bids that were received for the Division 1 –Northeast side sanitary sewer project. Triad has reviewed the bid packets and makes the recommendation that the Town award the bid to Atlas Excavating, Inc. for \$23,600.00 which is the low bid. There was a motion by Schwartz seconded by Ross to award the bid to Atlas Excavating, Inc for \$23,600.00. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INS: Leanne Pike with Insurance Management presented to the Council renewal quotes for employee health insurance. After discussion and changes made by an employee to their insurance there was a motion by Bonham seconded by Carmin to renew the current health plan. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

DNR PROPERTY: Schwartz reported that the property on the south side of the Main Street bridge is on the desk of Governor Daniels for his signature. The Town should have the deed to property within 2 to 3 weeks.

POLICE REPORT: Marshal Parker reported that the Cushion program is up and going forward. He has been in contact with our current internet provider and he is willing to work with us to get things running.

SCAMMERS: Marshal Parker reported that he has been receiving calls that people are receiving calls from scammers asking for personal information. Marshal warned people not to give anyone personal information and if you receive the calls please contact the Upland Police Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Brian Holtzleiter reported that the new fire truck is currently under construction should be complete sometime in March.

AREA PLAN DIRECTOR: Steve Niblick will be invited to attend an Administrative meeting on January 23, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. to go over the town's master plan.

LIBRARY BOARD: Motion by Bonham seconded by Ross to appoint Roger Roth to another 4 year term to the Upland Library Board. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

PARK BOARD MEETING: Ross asked Chip Long if he had a date for the park board meeting in January. No date has been set but will be around the middle of the month.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: Ross thanked the town employees for all their help in decorating the town and getting things ready for the tree lighting. He also thanked them for their willingness to come to the insurance meeting. Jagers echoed Warren's comments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

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