

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, JANUARY 21, 2014

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Chip Jagers. There being no additions or corrections to the posted agenda, there was a motion by Ross seconded by Bonham to accept the agenda as posted. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one. There was then a motion by Bonham seconded by Carmin to approve the minutes from the January 14, 2014 meeting. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

SNOW PLOW: Chip Long reported that the snow plow has been fixed and back in service. The last snow we had was easy to push and the guys had the town opened up on Sunday morning in 3 ½ hours. Chip complimented the guys for doing a good job with the plowing and being willing to come in early to get the streets opened up.

SALARY ORDINANCE: Motion by Bonham seconded by Schwartz to approve Salary Ordinance No. 1-2014 approving salaries for Town employees for the year 2014. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

PARK ADVISORY BOARD: Ross reported that the Park Advisory Board will meet on February 6th. The secretary of the Board is Jamie Hallis. Schwartz requested that the Council be given names and contact numbers of all the members of the Board.

COUNCIL REORGANIZATION: Motion by Schwartz seconded by Bonham to reorganize the Town Council as follows: John Bonham: Finance, Area Plan, Zoning, Personnel. Mick Carmin: Public Safety and Equipment (Police, Fire, Ambulance), Warren Ross: Parks, Recreation, Community Relations, Geoff Schwartz: Utilities, Infrastructure, Equipment and Chip Jagers: Planning and Development. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

PLANNING WORK: Jagers reported that it has been difficult to follow through with the planning and development and being President of the Council. It has been a real challenge with the normal leadership of the town and trying to keep up with the planning and development; therefore he has decided to resign as Council President and focus heavily on planning and development. There was then a motion by Schwartz seconded by Carmin to appoint Bonham as President of the Council for the year 2014. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one. Ross thanked Jagers for his leadership as President of the Council and his 20 plus years he has served on the Council.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Motion by Bonham seconded by Ross to appoint Chip Jagers to serve as Vice-President of the Council for the year 2014. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

PLANNING WORK: Jagers gave an update on the planning work. Taylor University had originally planned to give the town financial resources to select and architectural

firm. In recent conversation with Taylor, it was determined we could be better served with using the resource of Taylor University's architect Browning, Day, Mullins Dierdorf allowing us to move forward right away. They are already acquainted with the Town and with the University. We would be able to make up some ground that has been lost. There was a motion by Bonham seconded by Schwartz to accept the gift of services from Taylor University to use Browning, Day, Mullins, Dierdorf. Those voting aye: Bonham, Carmin, Jagers, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

STEERING COMMITTEE: Jagers reported that the Steering Committee that had been formed will stay on but not do interviewing of architects. They will now work on behalf of the Council with the architects as to what we expect from them such as gateways to the town, parks, 2nd St. bridge, Main St. historic downtown, landscaping, greenway trails, land and business developments. The firm will then provide town with priorities, costs and avenues for grants.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the Upland Town Hall. There will be an Executive meeting at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel.

ATTEST: Jane E. Russell SIGNED: _____
CLERK-TREASURER COUNCIL PRESIDENT