

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, FEBRUAR7 3, 2015

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 John Bonham. There was a motion by Jagers seconded by Schwartz to approve the minutes from the January 6, 2015 meeting. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

SNOW PLOW: Long reported that we have a snow plow down in need of repair. Parts should be here in two to three days. Jagers complimented the employees for a good job in keeping the streets maintained during the recent snow.

CHICKENS AND LIVESTOCK: Don Knudsen, 211 Overlook Drive approached the Council about the possibility of changing current ordinance and allow chickens and livestock inside the town limits. He has done some research and made up a packet for the Council to review. Council thanked Mr. Knudsen for coming and will look at his packet of information.

SALARY ORDINANCE: Motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to approve Salary Ordinance No. 2-2015 setting salaries for town employees for the year 2015. This ordinance will be retroactive to January 1, 2015. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

MASTER PLAN: Jagers reported that he had been in contact with Browning and Day and they are in the final stages of putting a report together for the projects that have been recommended. They will prioritize the projects from ones that can be done within one to three years up to ten years plus. They will give us a cost estimate for every project and also include potential funding sources.

GRANT APPLICATION: A grant application in the amount of \$5000.00 has been applied for for trails. Thanks to Nancy Gore for her work to see that the grant application was completed.

POSITION OPEN: There was a motion by Schwartz seconded by Ross to advertise the Town will be accepting applications for a full-time Utility Maintenance employee until February 17th at 4:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one. Bonham thanked the utility workers for their input in creating a job description for the position.

PARKS UPDATE: Ross reported that a check had been received from the Community Foundation for the lighting project at the park. He has talked with Dee Ballinger about making some signs for the park entrance.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION: Bonham reported that the Redevelopment Commission had met to explore TIF districts for the Town. There is also consideration for annexation but nothing is on the table at this time.

STORM WATER DRAINAGE ORDINANCE NO 2015-4: Motion by Bonham seconded by Jagers to approve Ordinance NO. 2015-4 to set procedures, policies and responsibilities for the installation, repair and replacement of storm water drainage systems. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-3: Motion by Bonham seconded by Jagers to adopt Ordinance NO. 2015-3 to amend Ordinance No-2013-11 for Council districts. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross.

RETAINER: Motion by Bonham seconded by Ross to increase the retainer of Town Attorney James Forcum by \$500.00. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

PART-TIME EMPLOYEE: Motion by Bonham seconded by Jagers to keep Zach Hodge as a part-time employee until a full time replacement has been hired. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

TRUCK TRAFFIC: Concerns have been raised about semi trucks on Town streets. There have been some driving through yards and knocking down signs. Town Manager and Town Marshal will get together to come up with a truck route for an ordinance.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upland Town Hall.

ATTEST:  SIGNED: _____
CLERK-TREASURER COUNCIL PRESIDENT