

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, JUNE 2, 2015

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met on the above date. All members were present. 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 May 5, 2015 meeting. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

ADMINISTER OATH: Rockwell administered the oath of office to new Officer Timothy Felver.

PRESENTATION: A presentation was given by the Upland Greenways by Joe Pearson and Ron Sutherland. They are interested in closing the gap in the Cardinal Greenway and working to connect with Upland Master Plan. There was a motion by Ross seconded by Jagers to endorse the Master Trail concept provided by the Upland Greenways Association. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, and Ross. Nays: No one. After some discussion from landowners Jack Himelick and Donald Brankle there was a motion by Jagers seconded by Schwartz to approve a sidewalk commencing at Taylor University on Hodson Drive and ending at the junction of Berry Street and Eastbrook South elementary. There would be a 6 foot sidewalk in the easement along Hodson Drive on the TU campus to Eighth St. Then a 5 foot sidewalk in the easement along west side of Eighth Street on the land owned by Himelick and Brankle. The sidewalk would then crossover south of the lift station and head east toward the Eastbrook South elementary school. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one. There was also a motion by Jagers seconded by Ross that the Council endorse the Upland Greenway to move forward with applying for a RTP grant for a trail system from Main Street east on or near Washington St. that will connect to the Upland Lions Club project. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

FIRE TRUCK REQUEST: Fire Chief Mike Howard was at the meeting to discuss with the Council the need to replace the secondary pump/rescue truck. The truck was serviced and though fire trucks do not have to pass a DOT inspection, this truck would not pass. It was recommended that the truck be replaced. It was the consensus of the Council to allow Chief Howard to investigate the purchase of another fire truck that the town will fund not to exceed \$90,000.00.

FIRE RUNS: Chief Howard made the Council aware that the majority of the town fire runs are to Taylor University. He suggested that it might be appropriate for the town to have some dialog with Taylor about paying their fair share for runs. Carmin asked if the fire department bills insurance companies for fire runs. Howard responded that yes they do if it is covered by insurance and the monies are going into the fire department checking account to help with their expenses.

OLD LIBRARY DEMOLITION: Long reported that permits have not arrived yet for demolition. Council asked him to go ahead and get a quote for removal of the hazardous material.

POLICE REPORT: Chambers gave the Council the police report for the month of May. He also expressed to the Town Attorney that he needed to get with him and talk about collection through court of unpaid parking tickets.

SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 5-2015: Motion by Schwartz seconded by Ross to approve salary increase for Derik Dollar due to completing twelve years of service. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

SALARY ORDINANCE NO.4-2015: Motion by Carmin seconded by Jagers to approve salary increases for police officers Chambers, Gerstorff and Duncan and to establish salary for police officer Felver. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

BUDGET HEARING: Department Heads will be meeting on June 11th to discuss budget items for the 2016 Budget.

MASTER PLAN: Jagers reported he has the first draft and the supplement with cost for the Master Plan. We will be receiving the plan electronically, loose leaf notebook form and bound paper back. Should be available by the next meeting.

PARK REPORT: Basketball courts have been paved. Goals to be installed this week. Other projects being worked on at this time include signage, drinking fountain, concession stand building, striping and fencing.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, July 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Upland Town Hall.

ATTEST: 
CLERK-TREASURER

SIGNED: _____
COUNCIL PRESIDENT