

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, AUGUST 18, 2015

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met on the above date for an Advertised Public Hearing on a rate increase in the Water & Sewage utilities. All members were present. There will be a 10% increase in the Wastewater utility effective with the passage of the ordinance and a 10% increase in the water utility over a three year period with the passage of the ordinance. Kevin Webb spoke to the Council on the way the Public Hearing was advertised. He thought that it should have been made more public because most people do not take the Chronicle and the placement of the notice in the Segway was hard to see. He suggested that next time we could put it on the water bills when they are sent out. There was no one else from the public to speak for or against the rate increases. The ordinances will be up for adoption at the September 1, 2015 meeting. There was then a motion by Carmin seconded by Schwartz to close the public hearing. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting was opened by President John Bonham at 7:30 p.m. All members were present. There was a motion by Jagers seconded by Carmin to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2015 meeting. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

UNSIGHTLY YARD: Nathan Cornett 163 N. Half St. addressed the Council about the property at 183 N. Half St. The yard is full of debris including broken glass that he is concerned about someone getting hurt on. The Council will look at the property to see if it falls under the unsafe building ordinance. Also check with Area Plan Commission about resolution to the problem and consider passing an ordinance that would prohibit properties to be unsightly. Bonham offered to talk with the homeowner to see if the issue could be resolved.

NORTH LIFT STATION: There was a proposal brought before the Council for Sewer/tap/property exchange at North Lift Station. The request is for the Town to pay Guy and Debra Duckwall to have Duckwall's sewer tapped into our system, pay \$8400.00 (half of the cost of installing a well) and put up vinyl privacy fence on newly established property line. In return the Duckwall's will give ownership of property at North Lift Station extending 40 feet north and 20 feet east of existing property line. It is understood and agreed upon that full ownership and responsibility of maintenance and replacement of pump and sewer lines up to sewer main become the homeowners after installation. There was a motion by Schwartz seconded by Ross to accept the sewer and water tap property exchange at the North Lift Station. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

DRAINAGE PROBLEM: An estimate from Triad Associates was received to fix the drainage problem at First and Washington Sts. The Council will take to review.

RESOLUTION: Motion by Jagers seconded by Schwartz to adopt a Resolution authorizing the President of the Town Council to act on behalf of the Council in the

hiring and termination of town employees. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

JET VAC LINES: Schwartz thanked Jasper, Brad and Stan for the work they have done in cleaning out lines.

PARKS REPORT: Our Town Upland will be meeting on Wednesday, August 19th at 7:00 p.m. The ribbon cutting ceremony went well for the Basketball Courts. The Park Board will be moving forward with some additional improvements and policies at the Parks. August 27th there will be a Greenway Meeting.

SALARY ORDINANCE: Motion by Jagers seconded by Carmin to approve Salary Ordinance No-8-2015 an ordinance establishing a salary for Brad Felver after completing 15 years of service. Those voting aye: Jagers, Carmin, Bonham, Schwartz, Ross. Nays: No one.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

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