

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, MARCH 8, 2016

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in regular session on the above date. All members were present. There was a motion by Jagers seconded by Crouch to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2016 meeting. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

WIMMER SURVEYS: Don Wimmer was at the meeting on behalf of Bob and Beth Winters asking for the go ahead of a re-plat of Stamper Addition. Their intent is to cut across Jefferson Creek east of the open ditch to addition line and combine into one lot. It was the consensus of the Council to agree to the concept of change and allow to go before the Drainage Board and Area Plan Commission for coming back to the town for final approval.

INDIANA MICHIGAN WORK ORDER: Long reported that he had received a work order from Indiana Michigan for lighting of the sign at the south gateway. Waiting to hear the date for installation of the meter.

UMBAUGH AND ASSOCIATES: Felver reported that he and Dollar had met with Umbaugh today during their annual review of utilities and discussed their capital improvement plans.

UNIVERSAL KEYING: Felver will be meeting with Tim Mannix from Taylor University and a representative from Oak Lock company to discuss keying for all town buildings.

EIGHTH AND WASHINGTON ST.: Dollar reported that there are still problems with leaking valves at Eighth and Washington St. He asked the Council for permission to get some pricing on getting these valves repaired.

PAVING: Dollar and Felver are working on a priority list for paving of streets.

DEMOLITION: Dollar reported that now that weather is warmer he will hopefully be able to start demolition of the old library/fire station.

POLICE REPORT: Marshal Chambers gave the police report for the month of February, 2016.

VACATION CARRY-OVER: Consensus of the Council to carry over unused vacation hours for Melvin Gerstorff.

INTOXILYZERS: Chambers reported that the department had received a grant to purchase two intoxilyzers.

DONATED PROPERTY: There was a motion by Jagers seconded by Slain to accept a gift from Taylor University the property at 38 N. Main St. with covenants subject to

clean title. The demolition of the building is to be paid for by Taylor University. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one. Jagers noted that this is an unsafe building and the Town is acting as good citizens showing what should happen to unsafe buildings.

POLICE ADVISOR: Jagers commented that a few years ago a self study questionnaire was given to all employees. At that time, the main issues were parks and communication. There was some unfinished business with the police department that had not been addressed. The Council felt like we needed some help with these unanswered questions. Bill Kreider a resident of Upland and a retired State Police Officer was a possible candidate for an advisor. After consulting with Mr. Kreider, he has agreed to help the town. He has offered his services as a public service and will not be charging the town for his consultation. There was a motion by Jagers seconded by Slain to approve and appoint Bill Kreider relative to Police as an advisor starting March 9th and not to exceed 90 days. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

YOUTH SPORTS: Ross reported that he had met with some representatives from Eastbrook looking into improving youth sports between the elementary schools.

TRAILS MEETING: There will be Trail meeting on April 2nd at 9am at the Upland Lions Club.

OUR TOWN UPLAND: Our Town Upland will meet on April 6th at 6pm

UTILITIES: Crouch thanked Dollar and Felver for meeting with him and updating him on utility projects and touring of the plants.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Slain reported that he will be meeting with Mike Howard, Fire Chief tomorrow. Bonham thanked both Crouch and Slain for hitting the floor running with their appointed duties of the Council.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 7th at 7pm. The plan is to meet at Taylor University at the new Student Union. There will be a tour after the meeting for those interested.

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