

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, APRIL 5, 2016

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in regular session on the above date at Taylor University in the new Larita Boren Student Center. Bonham welcomed all to the meeting and thanked Taylor University for opening their building to us. All the Council members were present. There was a motion by Jagggers seconded by Crouch to approve the minutes from the March 8, 2016 meeting. Those voting aye: Slain, Jagggers, Ross, Crouch, Bonham. Nays: No one.

PUMPS AT WASTEWATER PLANT: Work to replace two pumps at the Wastewater Plant has begun. One was received today and being installed.

LOCK FOR GATE AT WWTP: Felver is looking into new locks for the gate at the WWTP for safety issues and convenience to employees.

WIMMER SURVEYS: Don Wimmer was at the meeting on behalf of Bob and Beth Winters to report the decision at the Drainage Board. There is a hitch in the system. The property owners have asked for a reduction for the setback from the ditch from 75ft. to 20ft. Drainage Board says it should be no less than 40ft. The Drainage Board is also asking for the town to take over the ditch and to maintain it. The Council gave no recommendation and tabled the request until the issue of the ditch can be worked out.

OAK SECURITY GROUP: Felver has been working with Oak Security Group and Tim Mannix from Taylor University on keying the locks on all the town buildings. A presentation was made with a quote. The Council would like time to digest the information and make a decision at a later date.

STORM DAMAGE: It was reported that the building next to Town Hall owned by Randy Harrison was damaged after the storm on Saturday, April 2nd. It is deemed to be an unsafe building. There was a motion by Jagggers seconded by Ross to have Mr. Forcum send a letter to Mr. Harrison to have the structure demolished. A search needs to be done on the property and the results reported back to the Council. Those voting aye: Slain, Jagggers, Ross, Crouch, Bonham. Nays: No one.

WATER MAIN: Motion by Bonham seconded by Jagggers to approve Keith Sullivan Excavating to do water main and valve work at Eighth and Washington in the amount of \$21,500.00. Those voting aye: Slain, Jagggers, Ross, Crouch, Bonham. Nays: No one.

OLD FIRE STATION: Motion by Ross seconded by Slain to hire Stan Tenbush to demolish the old fire station in the amount of \$2500.00. Those voting aye: Slain, Jagggers, Ross, Crouch, Bonham. Nays: No one.

PAVING: Dollar reported that he will be getting a quote to pave Lake Street. Other streets in town will have to make do with cold patch.

CLOSURE OF EIGHTH ST.: Motion by Bonham seconded by Jaggers to close Eighth St. on May 21st from 10am to 2pm for Taylor graduation. Those voting aye: Slain, Jaggers, Ross, Crouch, Bonham. Nays: No one.

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

RESIGNATION: Bonham read a letter of resignation from Police Officer Timothy Felver effective March 28th, 2016. There was a motion by Jaggers seconded by Crouch to accept the resignation with regrets of Officer Felver. Those voting aye: Slain, Jaggers, Crouch, Bonham. Nays: Ross.

CONTRACT WITH AT&T: It was the consensus of the Council to have Mr. Forcum send a letter to AT&T rejecting the proposed contract renewal.

MASTER PLAN UPDATE: Jaggers reported that the original plan for the south gate was declined. Concepts of the new plans are to be delivered on Wednesday by Triad. It was the consensus of the Council to have Taylor proceed with their side so as not to hold them up.

ROSS REPORT: Ross thanked the Upland and Matthews Fire Department for a good meal on April 2nd. Our Town Upland will meet on April 6th at the Community Building. The Lions Club has 5-20 trees to be planted at the Upland Park. The Park Board has applied for a major grant for playground equipment and a tentative meeting of the Park Board will be April 28th.

OLD POLICE STATION: Bonham reported that he had been in contact with Cindy Wright about moving the old police station to the site of the old library/fire station. It was the consensus of the Council to allow the move as a temporary site for 90 days after completion of the demolition.

SPECIAL MEETING: There will be a special council meeting on Wednesday, April 13th at 7 p.m. in the Upland Town Hall. There will be an executive session at 6 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, May 3rd at 7 p.m.

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