

TOWN OF UPLAND, INDIANA, MAY 3, 2016

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in regular session on the above date. All members were present. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. in the Upland Town Hall. There was a motion by Ross seconded by Jagers to approve the minutes from the April 5th and the April 13th meeting. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

VARIANCE REQUEST: Kenneth Rockwell, 470 S. Second St. requested a favorable recommendation for a variance to put a shed on his property. There was a motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to grant a favorable recommendation to Mr. Rockwell on his proposal as presented. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION: Greg Maurer was at the meeting to discuss the upcoming Bicentennial Celebration. The Torch will be coming through Upland on September 28th. Several activities have been planned and there are more in the works. He will keep the Council informed on the activities.

FLOWER POTS: Greg Maurer spoke with the Council about the flower pots around town. They will be planting yellow and blue flowers this year in celebration of the bicentennial. They would like to remove eight of the pots and adopt them out to local businesses to maintain. They will maintain seven of the pots and take care of them. They would like the town to help in the moving of the pots to the local businesses that adopt. It was the consensus of the Council to make sure that happens.

APPOINT TOWN MARSHAL: Motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to appoint Steve Wolf as the Town Marshal retroactive to May 1, 2016. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

INTERIM MARSHAL: Shawn Sizemore expressed his gratitude to the Council for the opportunity to serve the town as Interim Marshal. He is a resident of this town and wants only what is best for the town. He was glad he could help the town out at this time.

OATH OF OFFICE: Clerk-Treasurer Jane Rockwell administered the oath of office to Town Marshal Steve Wolf.

SALARY ORDINANCE: Motion by Slain seconded by Jagers to approve Salary Ordinance No. 4-2016 establishing a salary for Town Marshal Steve Wolf retroactive to May 1, 2016. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

SALARY ORDINANCE: Motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to approve Salary Ordinance No. 3-2016 establishing a salary for Interim Town Marshal Shawn Sizemore retroactive to April 13, 2016. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

APPRECIATION: Motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to express appreciation to Shawn Sizemore for stepping up during a trying time. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

RETIREMENT: Marshal Wolf thanked Captain Gerstorff for his 28 years of service to the Upland Police Department.

MONTHLY REPORT: Marshal Wolf gave the Council the monthly report for April 2016. He also brought the Council up to date on things that are happening with the department since the change in leadership.

ORDINANCE NO.5-2016: Motion by Bonham seconded by Crouch to approve Ordinance No. 5-2016 setting forth procedures concerning retirement of Captain Gerstorff. Upon his retirement of 28 years with the Upland Police Department Captain Gerstorff will receive the following: Retired Law Enforcement Badge, Retired Law Enforcement Credentials, His service weapon (Glock Model 22 SN#VSF 877, His service shotgun (Ithaca Model 37 SN#371676149 and a state issued retired law enforcement lifetime gun permit. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

PUMPS AT WASTEWATER PLANT: Felver reported that the last of the pumps should be installed and in service on Wednesday, May 4th. He also commented that he and Dollar had attended a class on servicing of these pumps.

PAVING: Dollar gave the Council a quote from Brooks Paving in the amount of \$39,802.00 to pave Lake St. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed,

DEMOLITION OF OLD FIRE STATION: Dollar said he would call Stan Tenbush to see if he has a date for demolition.

ORDINANCE NO. 6-2016: Motion by Jagers seconded by Ross to approve Ordinance No. 6-2016 establishing internal control standards and establishing a materiality threshold. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

LIBRARY BOARD: Motion by Bonham seconded by Slain to appoint Allison Gill for a four year term on the Upland Library Board retroactive to January 1, 2016. Those voting aye: Jagers, Crouch, Bonham, Slain, Ross. Nays: No one.

SIGN AT SOUTH GATEWAY: Jagers reported that the original sign design had been rejected by property owner. The width of the sign has been approved. Jagers will have conversation with Kerry Shanebrook at Taylor University about going ahead and pouring the footer for the sign and planting plants.

UNUSED FIRE EQUIPMENT: It was the consensus of the Council to allow the fire department to sell unused equipment (fire hose and air bottles) and the proceeds to be deposited into the fire department account.

PARKS UPDATE: Ross reported that there will be an Our Town Upland meeting on Wednesday, May 4th at 7 p.m. A park board meeting on Thursday, May 5th. There will be a Trails project meeting followed by a work day at the Lions Club on Saturday, May 7th.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT GRANT: Ross reported that the Park Board had received a \$20,000.00 grant for park equipment.

REPLAT: Bonham reported that an agreement had been reached on the platting of Stamper Addition. The west side of the ditch will now be Lot 9 and the east side of the ditch will be Lot 10.

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

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