

Upland Town Council Minutes: January 6, 2026

Opening Remarks :

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in a regular session on January 6, 2026 at 6:30 PM at the Upland Community Building.

In attendance were Shawn Sizemore, Brad Yordy, Amy McCrea, Michael Harbin, and Heath Slain.

Opening Business:

- 2026 Officer Appointments
 - Amy McCrea nominated Shawn Sizemore to be President of the Upland Town Council for 2026, seconded by Heath Slain. Approved by a vote of 4-0
 - Amy McCrea nominated Brad Yordy to be Vice President of the Upland Town Council for 2026, seconded by Heath Slain. Approved by a vote of 4-0.
 - The December 16, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes were presented for approval. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Michael Harbin, seconded by Brad Yordy. Approved by a vote of 3-0. Amy McCrea and Heath Slain abstained.

Department Reports: Following the Unsafe Building Meeting

- ❖ **Upland Police Department, Marshal Andy Cassidy**
 - Marshal Cassidy presented the December reports.
 - Marshal Cassidy reported issues at 222 Park Ave. Councilman Sizemore stated that they will meet to discuss.
- ❖ **Upland Volunteer Fire Department - Chief Gary Preston- N/A**
- ❖ **Upland Clerk-Treasurer, Mary Fletcher**
 - Clerk-Treasurer Fletcher reported that she is working on closing out the 2025 fiscal year and will have the end of year reports done for the January 20 meeting. The Town of Upland did end the year within budget.
- ❖ **Upland Town Manager, Jonathan Perez- See Report**
 - Mr. Perez reported 2026 will be very busy and historic with new developments.
 - Town Hall
 - WWTP Building
 - Water Meters - Bids have been received
 - Street Lighting- Washington Street
 - 2nd Street Bridge reconstruction

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- The Area Plan and Zoning Transition will begin this month. The 1st meeting will be Monday, January 19. The Upland Planning Commission will meet the 3rd Monday of each month.
- Mr. Perez reported that he is researching the possibility of using TIF Districts. This is a good way to lock in revenue prior to SEA 1 going into effect. Councilman Harbin asked Jonathan to explain what a TIF District is and how it can help Upland.

Action Items:

- Resolution 1-2026 was presented to Council. This Resolution would allow 1846 Enterprises to act as Designated Agent and Funding Conduit for the Upland Public Library Building Project. A motion was made by Michael Harbin to approve Resolution 1-2026, seconded by Brad Yordy. Approved by a vote of 5-0.
- The purchase agreement for 87 N. Main Street was presented to the council. The purchase price per the agreement is \$350,000. A motion was made to accept the purchase agreement as presented by Brad Yordy, seconded by Amy McCrea. Approved by a vote of 5-0.
- The purchase agreement for 41 N. Main Street between Via Credit Union and The Town of Upland was presented to the council. The purchase price per the agreement is \$55,000. A motion was made to approve the purchase of 41 N. Main Street by Michael Harbin, seconded by Heath Slain. Approved by a vote of 5-0.
- Upland resident, David Smith, submitted the following items for consideration by the Council.
 - ❖ Will the Council discuss and vote on changing the speed limit to 25 MPH on 8th Street? Councilman Sizemore said he will research and discuss.
 - ❖ Asked the Police to read Ordinance 70.03 which states that semi trucks are not permitted on town roads.
 - ❖ Is there a timeline for when and if INDOT will repave 8th Street? Jonathan Perez responded that he will ask INDOT for more information on this.

Public Comments:

- Seth Edwards, 17 Montgomery - He has been having sewer issues since April. Brad Felver has snaked and verified that the issue is on the town's side. Can anything be done? Jonathan Perez stated that they believe that the issue is from the Main Street construction. Commonwealth is working on a plan to fix the issue.
- Andrew Preston, 230 S. Main Street- Stated that the Historical Society has accomplished many great things in 2025. They are hoping to continue the momentum in 2026. Also congratulations to Clerk-Treasurer Fletcher on ending 2026 with a balanced budget and thank you to Jonathan Perez on his work on getting the Upland Planning Commission going.
- David Smith, 364 N. Main Street- Traffic from demo trucks from Taylor need to be rerouted to Main Street.


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Council Reports:

- ❖ **Heath Slain**- Nothing to report
- ❖ **Michael Harbin**- Nothing to report
- ❖ **Amy McCrea** – Nothing to report
- ❖ **Brad Yordy** - Nothing to report
- ❖ **Shawn Sizemore** - Thank you to our town employees and to the community for their patience during the SR22 project.

ADA/Title 6 Concerns: Nothing to report

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM

ATTEST: 
Mary Fletcher (Clerk-Treasurer)

SIGNED: 
Shawn Sizemore, President