

Upland Town Council Minutes: April 1, 2025

Opening Remarks :

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in a regular session on April 1, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:37PM by Council President, Shawn Sizemore following the Unsafe Building Meeting.

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

Opening Business:

March 4, 2025 meeting minutes were presented for approval. A motion was made by Michael Harbin and seconded by Heath Slain to approve the presented meeting minutes. Minutes were approved by a vote of 4-0 with Brad Yordy abstaining.

Department Reports:

❖ Upland Police Department, Marshal Andy Cassidy

- Marshal Cassidy presented the March, 2025 report. There were 388 calls, 76 traffic stops and 10 citations.
- The open police officer position has been posted. Interviews will begin soon.
- The current calendar is filled with part time officers without scheduling OT for full time officers.
- Officer Workman will be going to the academy in May which will put us down 2 officers.
- The 2014 Impala has been damaged from an accident with a deer. We are waiting for the insurance company to let us know if the vehicle is totalled.

❖ Upland Volunteer Fire Department - Not Present

❖ Upland Clerk-Treasurer, Mary Fletcher

- Clerk-Treasurer Fletcher presented the February, 2025 APV, Allowance Docket, Fund Report and Appropriation Report. A motion was made to approve these reports by Heath Slain, seconded by Michael Harbin. Approved by a vote of 5-0.

❖ Upland Town Manager, Jonathan Perez

- Mr. Perez introduced the new Town Attorney, Maura Hoff, with DeFur Veron. Mr. Perez thanked the council for their support throughout the RFP process. Attorney Hoff introduced herself to council as well.
- Natalie, Commonwealth Engineers, presented the monthly update. (see attached report)
- Mr. Perez reported that he is working with RMA to set up the in house planning commission. A proposed appointment list was presented to the

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council for approval. A motion was made to approve the presented list by Brad Yordy, seconded by Heath Slain, and approved by a vote of 5-0.

- Mr. Perez continues to work with the Park Board on the Park Masterplan.
 - We received 132 responses on the park survey that was sent out to the community.
 - The deadline to submit the Park Masterplan is April 15.

Action Items:

Public Comments:

- ❖ Dave Smith, 364 S. 8th Street
 - Could the speed limit on 8th Street be changed to 25 MPH?
 - Could semi-traffic on 8th Street be redirected?
 - Councilman Sizemore responded that Jonathan Perez and Marshal Cassidy will conduct a traffic study concerning the 25 MPH question and will get with INDOT about the semi traffic.
- ❖ Janet Smith, 593 S. 5th Street
 - She stated that she received plans from the town for the 5th Street extension. When will the deed be signed? Will drainage be addressed?
 - She expressed concern that everything be done legally before project starts.
- ❖ Todd Glancy, Executive Director for Grant County Area Plan
 - Introduced himself and asked that he be kept in the loop on the Upland Area Plan installation to insure a smooth transition.
- ❖ Traci Hearn, 1472 S. Third Street
 - She raised concerns about a rumor that a developer has purchased the property across the street from her and is planning to build apartments.
 - Jonathan Perez reported that the property in question is zoned single family and would need to come to the new area plan commission to get it rezoned. According to the county records that property has not been sold.

Council Reports:


- ❖ **Heath Slain**- Nothing to report
- ❖ **Michael Harbin**- Nothing to report
- ❖ **Amy McCrea** – Welcome to Maura Hoff
- ❖ **Brad Yordy** - Nothing to Report
- ❖ **Shawn Sizemore** - Welcome to Maura Hoff. Also, thank you to all those that work hard for the Town of Upland.

ADA/Title 6 Concerns: Nothing to report

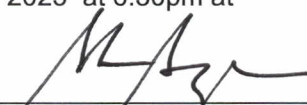
The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

The next regular Council Meeting will be held April 15, 2025 at 6:30pm at Upland Town Hall.

ATTEST:


Mary Fletcher (Clerk Treasurer)

SIGNED:


COUNCIL PRESIDENT