

Upland Town Council Minutes: May 6, 2025

Opening Remarks :

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in a regular session on May 6, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM 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:

April 15, 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 5-0.

❖ Department Reports:

❖ Upland Police Department, Marshal Andy Cassidy

- Marshal Cassidy the April Police Report. There were 346 calls in April.
- Officer Workman is at the Police Academy. We are using part time officers to fill in for him.

❖ Upland Volunteer Fire Department - Not Present

❖ Upland Clerk-Treasurer, Mary Fletcher

- Clerk-Treasurer Fletcher presented the March, 2025 APV Register, Allowance Docket, Fund Report and Appropriation Report for approval. A motion was made by Michael Harbin to approve the March reports, seconded by Amy McCrea. Reports were approved by a vote of 5-0.
- A proposal was presented to the council to "buy in" up to 7 years of service for town employees in PERF. Council agreed that the buy in amount should be paid from the General Fund to not burden the Utility funds. Councilman Sizemore asked for public comment on this proposal. Resident Larry Stump, supports the buy-in for the employees and stated that it was the best thing the town could do for their employees. A motion to approve this proposal was made by Heath Slain, seconded by Amy McCrea, approved by a vote of 5-0.
- Clerk-Treasurer Fletcher informed the council that she will be on vacation June 16- June20.
- The town was notified that the SBOA will be performing a federal audit soon.

❖ Upland Town Manager, Jonathan Perez

- Mr. Perez presented the Town Manager Report.
- Mr. Perez presented options for the purchase or lease of a Vac Truck. He asked for approval to spend a total of up to \$250,000 for the truck. A motion was made to approve this request by Brad Yordy, seconded by Heath Slain, Approved by a vote of 5-0.

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- INDOT performed a traffic study on 8th Street. The results will be ready by May 9.
- Mr. Perez presented a proposal to add the reconstruction of the 2nd Street walking bridge to the ESG work order. A motion was made to approve this request by Michael Harbin, seconded by Brad Yordy, approved by a vote of 5-0
- INDOT is requesting an official approval and resolution to vacate the alley between 38 N Main Street and 56 N. Main. Street. Resolution 2-2025 was presented. A motion was made to approve the resolution by Heath Slain, seconded by Amy McCrea, Approved by vote of 5-0.
- Mr. Perez presented a proposal to purchase 82 W Washington Street from Nancy Woolums for \$27,000. A motion was made to proceed with the purchase by Brad Yordy, seconded by Heath Slain, Approved by a vote of 5-0
- Resolution 1-2025 to set up the Community Market Fund for the Parks Boards was presented. A motion was made to approve this resolution by Michael Harbin, seconded by Amy McCrea and approved by a vote of 5-0
- Councilman Slain asked about the status of the Print Shop. Mr. Perez responded that he is working with the new administration at Grant County Area Plan to get it demolished.

Action Items:

Public Comments:

- ❖ Stephanie Osborn, Community Market, introduced herself and stated that she is excited about this new endeavor with the Park's Board.

Council Reports:

- ❖ **Heath Slain**- Nothing to report
- ❖ **Michael Harbin**- Reported that he attended the 1846 Presentation about the proposed new park. Also thank you to those that organized and attended the Nation Day of Prayer meeting.
- ❖ **Amy McCrea** – Nothing to report
- ❖ **Brad Yordy** - Thank you to Town Manager Perez for all of his hard work for the town.
- ❖ **Shawn Sizemore** - Asked that residents be mindful of INDOT and Town employees working on the roads.

ADA/Title 6 Concerns: Nothing to report

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM

The next regular Council Meeting will be held May 20, 2025 at 6:30pm at Upland Town Hall.

ATTEST: 
Mary Fletcher (Clerk Treasurer)

SIGNED: 
COUNCIL PRESIDENT