

Upland Town Council Minutes: May 16, 2023

Opening Remarks:

The Town Council of the Town of Upland met in a regular session on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President, Ron Sutherland. In attendance were Ron Sutherland, Warren Ross, Heath Slain and Brian Hung
Absent: Matt Voss

Meeting minutes from April 18, 2023 were presented for approval.
1st- Heath Slain, 2nd- Brian Hunt, 4-0 Approved Vote

Department Reports:

- ❖ **Upland Police Department, Marshal Andy Cassidy**
 - Marshal Cassidy provided a case report list to the council. He noted a number of thefts to unlocked vehicles in the community. Tips have been received on possible suspects of thefts. These tips are being followed up on.
 - He also noted the breakin at Helping Hands. Entry was made via an unlocked door.
 - There was a robbery in the middle of the night on May 12 at Upland Pharmacy. Suspects were in the building for only 1.5 minutes. Upland PD is working on this case with Taylor University PD.
 - Council asked about the progress of the UTV and Noise ordinances that have been discussed in previous meetings.
 - Councilman Sutherland asked Marshal Cassidy to address the thefts and speeding in the community.
 - Councilman Hunt asked about parking an empty police car as a deterrent. He also asked about placing cameras at intersections to deter speeders.
 - Councilman Hunt asked about offering a reward for information on the thefts in the community.

- ❖ **Upland Volunteer Fire Department, Chief Bruce Howard- Not Present**

- ❖ **Upland Town Attorney, Adrienne Hammond**
 - Mrs. Hammond presented a resolution to authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to sign documents relating to the Stormwater Grant.
 - She reported that she is looking into Ice Millers request regarding signatory work, specifically regarding liability.

- ❖ **Upland Clerk-Treasurer, Mary Fletcher- Not Present**

- ❖ **Upland Town Manager, Jonathan Perez**
See attached Town Manager Report

Public Comments:

- ❖ Taylor Professor, Peter Staritz, spoke about potential events revolving around the total eclipse that will happen next year.

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- ❖ Scott Pattison, 3407 N. 725 E, Marion, spoke against potential solar farms being considered by the Grant County Commissioner. Expressed concern about how solar farms support China and how solar farms will affect food production by farmers.
- ❖ Jackie (no last name given), also spoke about her concerns about potential solar farms.
- ❖ Steve Wright, Grant County Commissioner, spoke about his support of the solar eclipse event being proposed. He also spoke concerning the proposed solar project, stating that he represents all people in the county and is trying to make an informed decision.

Council Reports:

- ❖ Ron Sutherland-
- ❖ Warren Ross
- ❖ Health Slain
- ❖ Brian Hunt
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ADA/Title 6 Concerns: Nothing to report

Meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm

The next regular Council Meeting will be held June 6, 2023 at 7:00pm at Upland Town Hall.

ATTEST: Mary Fletcher
Mary Fletcher (Clerk Treasurer)

SIGNED: Ann B. Lewis
COUNCIL PRESIDENT