

Town of Ogden Dunes
Regular Council Meeting
May 3, 2010

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Bob Hicks, Bill Gregory, Brad Wood, Eric Haussman, Eric Kurtz. All were present

Guest Speakers:

Lorlei Weimer Porter County Tourism presented a slide show and discussed all the new changes to the web site that they are doing, and an overall view of the office.

Ken Buscik from Indiana American Water discussed the completion of the work at the plant on Diana Road in Ogden Dunes. He said that they will be dredging in June and that nothing will be going into the lagoon. Council member Hicks asked about the possibility of being able to kayaking in Long Lake.

Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2010 Town Council meeting was made by Councilman Kurtz and seconded by Councilman Haussman. All were in favor motion passed.

Claims:

Motion to approve claims #042717-042764 and checks #2515-2554 was made by Councilman Haussman and seconded by Councilman Kurtz. All were in favor motion passed.

Old Business:

Certificates of approval of permits - beach toe protection, permits have been approved and are good for five years. Councilman Kurtz has a meeting with Park superintendent Dillon on April 12th to discuss beach nourishment on NPS & Ogden Dunes Beach.

County Line Road project:

Jim Kopp stated that IDEM is looking at issuing the permit and is almost to the point of finalizing.

Court appeals decision re: Siwinski property:

We have filed a petition for a rehearing.

Ski Hill road is on the list if we agree to pave this summer. Councilman Haussman said the plan is to increase the road on west side by moving Nipsco & Verizon poles.

President Gregory said he would call and invite Dr. Argyilan to present findings on the Ogden Dunes/Long Lake study to the next Town Council meeting.

Ordinance #742 increasing the resident beach area parking fee to \$100.00. This would be the new fee if a resident should choose not to join the Home Association and wanted to purchase a decal. Motion was made by Councilman Kurtz and seconded by Councilman Wood. This ordinance was passed on the first reading. All were in favor.

A motion by Councilman Kurtz for the town to enter into a contract/agreement with GRW for drainage/imperious surface mapping project in the amount of \$1,969.50 and was seconded by Councilman Haussman. Attorney Lukmann will be asked to look at it.

Councilman Hicks mentioned the beach access ways and clean up. The Home Association control the access ways. Councilman Hicks stated we have three good handicap access ways. Chips are needed on accesses so they are passable like access 18

Street Commissioner Jim Matthys will be cleaning up the beach this week. The Police use access 18, access #3 is not useable at this time.

Chief Reeder said stop signs are needed at three locations to replace the yield signs. The three locations are Beach Lane, Cedar Trail, Locust, and on Diana. Councilman Hicks said the brush needs to be trimmed back at these locations. Chief Reeder said that an ordinance must be passed to change these from yield to stop signs, and will be brought to the next meeting.

Chief Reeder said we need to get addresses on all the houses. It is hard the officers to find when an emergency call comes in. Also we need numbers on both sides on the access ways, white on black reflectors.

Resident remarks:

David Kemerer, of 27 Shore Drive, talked about the toe stone, but we need sand. The dropping of the sand off shore will allow only a small amount comes on shore.

Walter Sampson of 9 Ogden Court, spoke about a steel ladder to access the beach at East Hill. Councilman Hicks, Street Commissioner Matthys and the Home Association are working on getting access to the beach and access #2.

Ed Rooks of 86 Shore Drive made a suggestion of pushing sand up on the beach. He asked what is going on at County line ditch.

Charlie Costanza of 68 Ski Hill said we could get a truck load of sand for \$100.00 and dump them on the beach every year.

Community announcements:

Beautification Committee will be meeting Friday at 9 am.

The Memorial Day event will be May 31st. Lineup will be at the tennis courts on Diana at 10:15 for the parade. Lions club is selling raffle tickets and checks, no cash can be dropped off in the box by the town hall.

The Historical Society will be having their ice cream social after the Lion's Club hot dogs and drinks. It is located at the Hour Glass on Lupine.

Luke Brennan said the repairs on the firehouse roof from last year are not working. The fire department is having a CPR class on June 19th.

Council remarks:

Councilman Haussman is checking into getting either help or someone else to do the web site. There has been no change or updates. He will speak with Mark Coleman.

Councilman Hicks had three things to mention.

- Need to pull the mustard plants around town

- Need to burn of cat tails on Long Lake, so kayak can be used at the lake.

- Survey on Diana Court on the sock around the marsh, Susan Mihalo will be planting wild flowers in a couple of weeks at Long Lake to cover up the sock.

Next meeting will be June 7, 2010 at 7 pm at the firehouse.

President Gregory asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Wood motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Councilman Kurtz. All were in favor motion passed.

Bill Gregory
Town Council President

ATTEST:

Donna Smith

Clerk Treasurer