

Town of Ogden Dunes
Regular Meeting of the Town Council
October 3, 2011

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Connie Collins, Brad Wood, Bill Gregory, Eric Haussman, Eric Kurtz, all present.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Councilman Haussman to approve the minutes of August 22, 2011 and was seconded by Councilman Kurtz. All were in favor motion passed.

Motion was made by Councilman Haussman to approve the minutes of September 12, 2011 and was seconded by Councilman Kurtz. All were in favor motion passed.

Correspondence:

An invitation from Anton Insurance was given to all council members and the Clerk Treasurer for their annual seminar.

Presentation of Claims:

Motion by Councilman Haussman was made to approve claims #43119-43150 and 43638-43699 and payroll checks #3309-3353. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wood. All were in favor motion passed.

Old Business:

Update on the maintenance/improvement on community meeting room.

Bids were received on the roof from three companies; Turnak Roofing, Korellis Roofing and from EC Babilla Roofing. EC Babilla came back with the lowest bid of \$31,000. President Gregory announced that the roof would be done first. Councilman Kurtz said that the roof flooded on the last storm. After Wednesday November 9th there will be no more activities until the December meeting.

Deer Management Plan:

Chief Reeder was asked to explain the plan. There was a meeting between the shooters, Chief Reeder and President Gregory. The marksmen are Roger Getz and Harry Connley. Bittersweet Park and Serenity Park were chosen because of the safety and there are a lot of deer in both.

Councilman Wood asked if the shooters will provide the firearms. Chief Reeder replied yes.

President Gregory asked if they will haul them away and would the meat be available? Chief Reeder replied yes. He also said that there will be reserve officers available a half hour before sunrise and a half hour after sunset.

Councilwomen Collins asked if there were insurance concerns, and was told that the insurance company asked questions and was satisfied.

Councilman Kurtz asked about the amendment to the town code and the first reading of the ordinance.

President Gregory said he wanted to hold off on the ordinance and move on to resident remarks.

Resident remarks:

Dona Young, of 109 Ogden Road, the survey was against a deer cull so why are we doing it?

President Gregory replied, because of the increased amount of residents who have gotten Lyme disease.

Councilman Kurtz also responded to this.

Cordelia Swanson 41 Aspen, spoke on the meeting that was at the church on the black legged tick.

Jim Pleka 126 Diana, he would vote against, and the problem is the mouse. You are pushing this off on to the minority not the majority. Kill the white mice. Use your head and get rid of the mouse.

President Gregory during the reading suggested during the time period between the Town Council meeting and the DNR comment on the language.

Councilman Kurtz introduced and read Ordinance 756 in toto and said it shall be adopted on the second reading, specific date range references should be eliminated..

President Gregory said the language will change from the first reading.

Councilman Haussman asked about the number of residents that responded to the survey.

Councilwoman Collins replied that she did not remember.

Dona Young, 109 Ogden, said that the language is very misleading.

President Gregory said that this is only the first reading. The language will be revised and posted.

New Business:

Adoption of the 2012 budget will be done on the October 24th meeting. It will be ordinance #755.

President Gregory said he would not be at that meeting.

Community information/Announcements:

Chief Reeder announced that Trick or Treating will be on October 31st at 5 pm to 7 pm.

Council Remarks:

Councilwoman Collins asked about remarks on deer at the next meeting.

President Gregory asked Chief Reeder about the short term rentals.

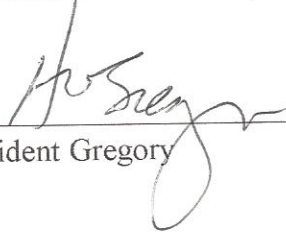
Chief Reeder said letters will be sent out.

Councilman Kurtz said not to change the zoning ordinance. His suggestion was to not only send a letter to the homeowner but also to the renter and the person promoting the rental, and asked how the other Council members feel about it.

President Gregory said he preferred not doing that. The ability to not necessary do, the state has allowed higher fines.


Next Meeting will be October 24th, 2011 at the Town Hall. There will not be a November meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Haussman and seconded by Councilman Wood, all were in favor meeting was adjourned.



President Gregory

ATTEST:



Donna Smith, Clerk Treasurer

TOWN OF OGDEN DUNES
EXECUTIVE SESSION
NOVEMBER 9, 2011
6 pm Town Hall

Roll Call:

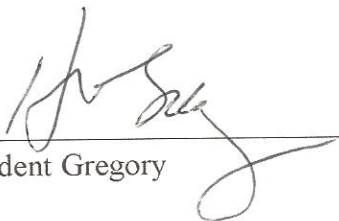
Connie Collins, Brad Wood, Bill Gregory, Eric Haussman, Eric Kurtz All present.

Present Chief Reeder, Greg Deporter, Frank Stimson

Evaluation of personnel

No decision was made. Decision to be made at November 16th, 2011 public meeting.

Meeting was adjourned



President Gregory

ATTEST:



Donna Smith Clerk Treasurer

Town of Ogden Dunes
Meeting of the Town Council
November 16, 2011
5:00 pm Town Hall

Roll Call:

Connie Collins, Brad Wood, Bill Gregory, Eric Haussman, Eric Kurtz. All present

Decision was made to ask Ken Mihalik for his termination as Building Commissioner. Motion was made by Councilman Kurtz to place him on administration leave as of November 11, 2011 and a termination date to be effective as of December 1, 2011. This constitutes a two week notice.

Salary will be paid including any inspections due. He shall also receive his longevity pay for the 2011 year. Roll call vote was Connie Collins nay, Brad Wood yes, President Gregory yes, Eric Haussman yes, and Eric Kurtz. Vote was four yes, and one nay. Motion was seconded by Brad Wood motion passed.

Councilman Kurtz motioned that Mr. Mihalik shall turn in all keys, and cell phone and anything else that would pertain to the office of Building Commissioner by the date of November 16th, 2011. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wood and all were in favor. Motion passed. Letter will be sent concerning decision.

Appointment of Deputy Building Commissioner:

Councilman Kurtz, Herb Craig should be formalized as the Electrical Inspector. Alec Mackenzie noted that Herb Craig cannot to work in town. Motion was made by Councilman Kurtz to hire Ed Hewitt as the Deputy Building Commissioner and Mikes Simiakos as second Deputy Building Commissioner. Councilman Haussman seconded and all were in favor. Motion passed. President Gregory asked the Clerk Treasurer to send letters to everyone who applied and to swear everyone in. Also to contact Plan Commission President Greg DePorter letting him know of the decisions.

President Gregory asked that the list of openings for committees be put in his box so he may review.

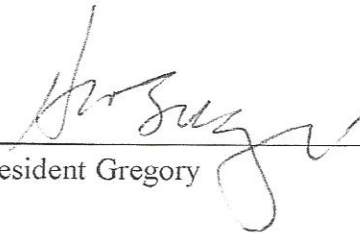
Sanitation Budget will be discussed at the December meeting so any questions the council may have can be addressed by the Water Manager Jim Kopp.

The December 5th meeting needs to be readvertised for the new location. The firehouse is under renovation and will not be available till after the New Year.

Councilman Kurtz explained the petition that has been filed by Charlie Costanza, Lynn Hicks, and Dona Young. Attorney Parkinson will be representing the Town and the petitioners Attorney Evans. All are to meet for private mediation before retired judge Kennedy in Valparaiso Monday November 21st at 9:30 am.


Councilwoman asked to be present at the meeting and President Gregory said that she could not be there because having three council members present would make a quorum, and they cannot have that.

Councilman Kurtz motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Councilman Haussman. Meeting was adjourned.



President Gregory

ATTEST:



Donna Smith
Clerk Treasurer