

Town of Ogden Dunes
Special Meeting
June 1, 2011

Meeting of the Town Council and the Plan Commission

Town Council Members Present:

Connie Collins, Brad Wood, Bill Gregory, Eric Haussman, Eric Kurtz

Plan Commission Members Present:

Greg DePorter, Frank Stimson, Al Johnson, Mike Falk

BZA Member Present:

Frank Stimson

Code Review Board Members Present:

Ken Thompson, Herb Craig and Al Johnson

Building Commissioner Present:

Ken Mihalik

Attorney Present:

Charles Lukmann

Police Officer Present:

Ed Clapp

Residents Present:

Dick Hutter, Luke Brennan, Dave Kemerer, Charlie Costanza, Jill and John Wirth and John Fennig.

President Gregory opened the meeting stating he was not interested in the blame game. We are here to focus on the future. He asked that everyone refrain from personal matters. He commented that it does not make sense to have committees if we cannot work together. All of the work is on a volunteer basis.

The following topics were of discussion:

Note: this is not an employee evaluation. Personnel issues are discussed and managed at executive sessions only.

Review of events at building site at 5 Cedar Trail, including Town Council decisions regarding refund of permit fee and directive to Plan Commission on future interpretation of dollar threshold for required permits.
Plan Commission letter response to Town Council.

Discussion of above to include review of Town Council/Plan Commission lines of authority and responsibility.

Plans, actions, and progress to improve Ogden Dunes Building-Planning-Zoning Code provisions.

Transparency, openness, and consistency in administration of Ogden Dunes Building-Planning-Zoning Code.

Minimizing ambiguity within Ogden Dunes Building-Planning-Zoning Code.

How the Town of Ogden Dunes, local government, can best serve the residents and property owners of Ogden Dunes and work with their contractors and design professionals.

Public comments:

John Fennig of 3 Beach Lane, spoke on his recent retaining wall work.

Ken Mihalik of 55 Shore Drive, commented on how he can take being told he is wrong. Information should be gotten first. No one called him. He felt he should have been asked on why he made the decision.

Luke Brennan of 81 Hillcrest Road, said the state and town codes are on the line.

John Wirth of 78 Ogden Road, hearing the point of view between the Town Council and the Plan Commission, what is missing is the homeowner. You are taking the individuals freedom away.

President Bill Gregory

ATTEST:

Clerk Treasurer Donna Smith