

# Ogden Dunes General Code Review Committee Meeting

March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM - Fire Station

## Minutes

### Members

Jim Slawinski, Chair (Present)  
Ken Thompson, Secretary (Present)  
Bill Gregory, TC Member (Present)  
Ed Hewitt (Present)  
Lynn Toomey (Present)

Mike Schaefer, Co-Chairperson (present)  
Charles Costanza, TC Member (Present)  
Connie Collins (Present)  
Judith Stiles (Present)

- **Meeting began 7:06**
- **Approval of February 13<sup>th</sup> 2013 Committee Minutes** – minutes approved as written by voice vote.
- **Review and recommendation of changes (if any) to Title III, Section 31,32,33 and 33.01**
  - A question was raised as to the dollar limit that an officer of the town can spend? We discussed if there was anything in the ordinances to set a dollar amount. We decided we would make a recommendation that the board should consider setting dollar limits on what an officer of the town could encumber without approval. Ken will write a proposed recommendation to the town council to set some financial limits and encumbering town funds
  - We then discussed revising election processes considering a staggered terms for town council members and perhaps considering having a single ward rather than the current process of multiple wards. We decided to go forward on a recommendation. Judith cited the I.C. code to fill out a recommendation (using the form) to make a recommendation regarding if our committee should consider making a proposal for staggered elections. Judith would prepare something, email to the committee. Once agreed upon would be given to Jim to send to the Town Council.
- **Clarification of speeding and/or sign violation fines to be collected by town** – deferred
- **Based on Town Council Recommendation and Town Marshal Meeting review and possible updating of current fines listed in the Violation Bureau Information Sheet** – We discussed Marshall Jim Reeder's letter on current violation. We looked at the current policy on traffic violations. We focused on speeding and failure to stop violations (see Letter). If the town would assess the violation as a town ordinance instead of a state ticket, the town would realize an additional \$7,000. Jim would discuss more with the Marshall.
- **Possible combination of existing ordinances involving fines per request-** Jim discussed the fine schedule and discussed the changes in the last town council meeting. If the offender complains, it goes to small claims court. Jim said we might consider if the existing fine levels should be combined to make it simpler to adjust. Jim will talk with the Marshall to get clarification. Bill raised ordinance 35.04 as an area to create a reference for fines and 35.01.
- **New template to be used to pass on recommendations to TC** – Bill created a form and it was shared with all members. Connie suggested a change in the form to register the votes. We agreed not to require each member of the town council's vote.
- **Town Web Page Update and access to web page during GCR Meeting** – Jenny, is doing a great job in keeping the web site up to date.
- **Next Meeting Date April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013**
- **Residents' Remarks** - none
- **Committee Member Remarks** – Jim suggested the activities of this be covered at each town meeting. Judith suggested that Jim talk with the Marshal related to section 32.04.
- **Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned at 835p.

Minutes submitted by - Kenneth Thompson, Secretary