

**OGDEN DUNES TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
COMMUNITY ROOM  
DECEMBER 4, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Tim Nelson  
Mike Webber  
Kathy Kniola  
Scott Lehmann

**ABSENT:** Nate Ball

**MINUTES**

Kathy Kniola moved to accept the minutes of the November 6, 2017 regular monthly meeting. Mike Webber seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Mike Webber moved to accept the minutes of the November 21, 2017 special meeting and the November 21, 2017 executive meeting. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGRATULATIONS**

Tim Nelson thanked the Women’s Club for sponsoring the Christmas tree lighting event.

**COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Street Department and Waterworks – Chuck Litzkow stated that the Street Department is still picking up leaves and branches. He also stated that all the late water bills were paid.

Police Department – Marshal Reeder reminded snowbirds to have their driveways plowed while they are gone and to fill out the vacation form available at Town Hall or on the Town’s website.

Beach Nourishment – Scott Lehmann gave an update on the pending appeal process with the DNR, City of Portage and the Town of Ogden Dunes regarding the placement of sand on the beach.

Home Association – Mike Webber reported that they have begun replacing the trees at the soccer field.

Plan Commission – Mike Falk stated that the Town Attorney is now involved with the contractor retaining wall issues. He also stated that the building codes were sent to the Building Code Review Committee for their consideration.

General Code Review – Dick Meister stated that the committee continues to discuss watercraft parking and debris left on the beach.

Environmental Advisory Board – Kristine Sandrick stated that the 2018 IDEM grant application has been submitted for seven day a week water testing. Mike Webber moved to approve the submission of the 2018 IDEM grant by the Environmental Board. Kathy Kniola seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed. Kristine also stated that a sample letter to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management regarding the U.S. Steel Midwest chromium spill is now on the Town website for resident use. Residents can submit this letter or a similar letter to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

Historical Society – Dike Meister discussed the new exhibit at the Community Room displayed by the Historical Society.

Women’s Club – Kristine Sandrick thanked the Fire Department and the Street Department for their assistance in preparing for the Christmas tree lighting event.

Life Safety – Gerry Scheff stated that the second Emergency Preparedness Workshop will be held on December 9, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Community Room.

## **CLAIMS**

Mike Webber moved to accept the November claims as read by the Clerk-Treasurer. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Tim Nelson read Ordinance 832 (Salary) by title only for the second reading. Kathy Kniola moved to accept Ordinance 832. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Roger Rhodes, Building Commissioner, reported that the problems with 39 Diana Road have not been resolved. Therefore, Kathy Kniola moved to accept the Plan Commission’s recommended fine for 39 Diana Road of \$5,000.00. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Marshal Reeder discussed the 800mhz radio upgrade. He stated that both the Fire Department and the Police Department have submitted their radio bids to Commissioner Biggs for County funding consideration. Marshal Reeder stated that the County has stated that they would not consider funding any municipality that has already purchased their radios; therefore, the Town Council opted to wait for a definite funding answer from the County before proceeding with any purchases.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Tim Nelson read Ordinance 824 (Sign) by title only for the first reading.

Kathy Kniola moved to suspend the rules and to adopt Ordinance 834 (Salary) on the first reading by title only. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed. Tim Nelson read Ordinance 834 by title only. Mike Webber moved to accept Ordinance 834. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Tim Nelson read Ordinance 833 (Zoning) by title only for the first reading.

Mike Webber moved to accept the 2018 cleaning contracts with Maha Shahwan for both Town Hall and the Community Room. Kathy Kniola seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Scott Lehmann moved to approve the 2018 contract between the Town of Ogden Dunes and the Waterworks. Kathy Kniola seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Mike Webber moved to approve the 2018 contract between the Sanitation Department and the Waterworks. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Roger Rhodes, Building Commissioner, stated that it is necessary for the Town to employ the services of an engineering firm to prepare the bid specifications for the Community Crossing grant funds received for road paving. Two engineering proposals were submitted for Council consideration. Roger Rhodes requested that the Council approve the Building Commissioner and the Street Department Manager to negotiate the engineering bids with an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. Kathy Kniola moved to accept Roger Rhodes' request to negotiate with the engineering firms with an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

#### **RESIDENT REMARKS**

Paul Panther , 10 Aspen, thanked the Council for their dedication to the Town.

#### **COUNCIL REMARKS**

Mike Webber and Scott Lehmann thanked all the volunteers on the various Town committees.

No further business coming before the Council, Mike Webber moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott Lehmann seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Tim Nelson, President

#### **ATTEST:**

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Jean Manna, Clerk-Treasurer