

**TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
JANUARY 5, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.  
COMMUNITY ROOM**

**PRESENT:** Allen Johnson  
Charlie Costanza  
Paul Panther  
Tom Clouser

**ABSENT:** Bill Gregory

**MINUTES**

Charlie Costanza moved to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2014 second year end wrap-up meeting. Tom Clouser seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was unanimously approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Allen Johnson stated that he received an application from Karel Kearn for a position on the Water Board. Charlie Costanza stated that he received a letter from the BZA informing him of a BZA meeting on January 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. which will address a Plan Commission appeal.

**COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Street Department – Tom Clouser urged all residents to park as far off the roads as possible due to the Street Department clearing snow.

BZA – Charlie Costanza questioned the charges on the current Town attorney invoice in regards to the BZA.

General Code – Jim Slawinski stated that this committee will now meet every other month beginning with January 2015. He also stated that the meetings have been changed from Wednesdays to Mondays.

Environmental – Susan Mihalo stated that Sharon Guy has resigned from this committee leaving an opening for any resident that is interested.

Community Fund – Dorothy Kurtz thanked all the people who donated to the Fund in 2014 and asked that the residents consider donating again in 2015.

Bridge and Railroad – Bernadette Slawinski stated that the committee discussed the possibility of tracking how long the gates are down each day. She also discussed the ownership of the sand tracks. Bernadette stated that 150-180 trains pass by Ogden Dunes on a daily basis. Tom Clouser stated that Tom Tittle has contacted INDOT and Tom will be calling the person in charge of northern Indiana to set up a meeting regarding the installation of a relay system that tracks the time the gates go down and how long they stay down.

Charlie Costanza questioned Allen Johnson as to the progress in determining the ownership of the sand tracks. Allen stated that there is still a missing deed and Global Engineering is pursuing



### Environmental Board

Charlie Costanza moved to appoint Judy Mollway. Tom Clouser seconded. All were in favor.

Appointment made: Judy Mollway

### Beach Nourishment

Presidential appointments made; therefore, no vote of the Council is necessary.

Appointments made: Chris Lattimer, Eric Jensen, Jim Combs, Charlie Costanza,  
Eric Kurtz

### Animal Control

Charlie Costanza moved to appoint Sono Gryczewski. Tom Clouser seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Appointment made: Sono Gryczewski

### Grant Committee

Presidential appointment made; therefore, no vote of the Council is necessary.

Appointment made: Robert Schyler

### Community Fund

Presidential appointment made; therefore, no vote of the Council is necessary.

Appointment made: Nancy Johnson

### Cable Advisory

Paul Panther moved to reappoint Eric Kurtz. Tom Clouser seconded. All were in favor.

Appointment made: Eric Kurtz

### General Code

Tom Clouser moved to appoint those listed below. Paul Panther seconded. Vote of the Council was as follows: Allen Johnson, yes; Paul Panther, yes; Tom Clouser, yes; Charlie Costanza, abstain. Motion passed three to one.

Appointments made: Dick Meister  
Mike Schaefer  
Ken Thompson  
Connie Collins  
Larry Anderson  
Lynn Toomey  
Ed Hewitt  
Charlie Costanza  
Bill Gregory

This concludes the 2015 committee and board appointments.

Charlie Costanza stated that the Beach Nourishment Committee has applied for ten permits and a meeting is scheduled with the National Park Service later this month. Charlie thanked Jim Coombs for all his work with the permits. Charlie indicated that if one permit is denied, it voids all the other permits.

#### **RESIDENT REMARKS**

Dorothy Kurtz stated that she hoped the Council could all work together in 2015 and be considerate of all members.

Mark Coleman stated that he has been applying for the Water Board for the last eight years as he would like to make sure that all checks and balances are in place with this Board.

Susan Mihalo thanked the employees from the Street Department who did an excellent job plowing the roads this past weekend.

#### **COUNCIL REMARKS**

Charlie Costanza discussed the attorney bills and the BZA appeal.

No further business coming before the Council, Paul Panther moved to adjourn the meeting. Tom Clouser seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

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Allen Johnson, Vice President

#### **ATTEST:**

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Jean Manna, Clerk-Treasurer