

Minutes

Environmental Advisory Board

11 June 2014

Ogden Dunes Town Hall

The Environmental Board met on 11 June 2014 at 5:30 pm at Town Hall. Attendees were Sue MiHalo, Jim Biancotti, John Morris, Judy Mollway, Bob Cattani, and Tom Clouser.

Judy moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting of the Environmental Board, for 12 March 2014, and Jim seconded. The motion carried.

Regarding the MS4 exemption, Tom said that Reggie Korthals of the Indianapolis IDEM office will be visiting in the near future. We will need to show her the pump draining the intersection of Diana Ct and Diana Rd into Long Lake Marsh. Sue tried to look for the berm at the NIPSCO line to see if the marsh is separated from Long Lake, but was unsuccessful. Jim and John will look for it soon. Jim will meet with Tom to see if there are addition changes since the 2003 exemption.

No one knew of any new meeting called by the Septic System Coordination Work Group.

Judy did not use the grant for recycling education, as no children showed up for the class she set up. She can reapply for grant next year. She is planning to take the September training to become a Master Recycler.

Sue expects to have a day to work on Long Lake Marsh invasives the last weekend in June. July is a fallback, but then Purple Loosestrife will need extra work.

The Beach Testing is going, and Sue wants John to be a backup for Polly Costanza and Karen Berrier this summer.

Bob Cattani said that he has not been able to contact the Beverly Shores couple about the Dark Skies Initiative.

Concerning the oil trains, Sue has contacted Congressman Visclosky's office for any notice about impending Congressional action. John has not noticed any bills in *Thomas*, and has forwarded the one relevant *Federal Register* he found. Tom is meeting with Norfolk Southern soon, together with NIRPC about a quiet zone in the area, but will entertain questions we can supply him to ask about oil trains as well.

Sue mentioned that there was an Indiana American Water grant for \$10,000 that we missed the March deadline, but to think about it for next year.

Jim moved to adjourn, Judy seconded, and the motion was approved at 6:15 pm.

Submitted by John Morris.