

# **Minutes Beach Nourishment Committee Meeting October 17, 2023**

Meeting called to order by Sandy Boyer 6:35P.M. at OD Fire House

Attendees: Sandy Boyer, John Lawicki, Peter Mavrelis (remote), Bruce Boyer, C. J. Jackson, Charles Sheaff, Scott Kingan, Dave Schneider

The minutes of the September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

## **Reports:**

Sandy :

Permitting:

The approval for the shore preservation of the middle section is on hold at this time. We have been advised by our engineer that we should not seek approval for the project from the agencies involved which include the Army Corp of Engineers, National Park Service, and Indiana Department of Natural resources until the complaint from Save the Dunes is resolved. This is scheduled for a decision on May 1 2024. If approval is granted we can anticipate shore preservation to begin next fall.

Sandy:

Mediation:

It appears that we will get a favorable ruling for no mitigation on the work done on the east end of Ogden dunes for 2020. We also do not anticipate any mitigation for the future work on the center section.

Sandy:

Sand restoration:

Much discussion occurred regarding plans from the Army Corps of Engineers regarding the dredging of Burns Ditch and possibly moving sand from the Port of Indiana to the Portage and Ogden Dunes Beach. These decision appear favorable for Ogden Dunes.

Sandy:

Reconciliation:

Final letters are going out to settle the issue this month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm

Next Meeting December 19, 2023

Peter Mavrelis