## Minutes: Ogden Dunes Historic Character Preservation & Standards

Date: July 22, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Location: Zoom Meeting

In Attendance: Lois Braatz, Doug Cannon, Kathy Kniola, Judy Petrou, Jenifer Wilson

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The meeting was called to order by Kathy at 5:05 p.m.

## Updates were as follows

- Beautification-Lois reported that Pat Maxwell working on the CommuniTree application and identifying volunteers for watering.
- Historic Society-Judy has been out of town, but did report that a large tree was removed at the Historical Society.
- Street Department-Doug reported that the post project will require agreement from the OD Police Department and cautioned about speed limit signs on Diana where the limit will remain 25 mph. Kathy reported that the ODHA agrees with the plans for posts/signs near Kratz field and would like to see angled parking. Jen suggested that we contact NIPSCO and ask for poles being removed, which can be cut down into parking bumpers for Kratz. Doug will ask Street Department to look into it. Jen said that once completed, handicap parking can be placed in front of the flagpole. She also recommended moving forward with all street signs that don't involve wayfinding. Kathy outlined the project in phases: Phase 1.a: Hillcrest; Phase 1.b: All other non-wayfinding posts; Phase 2: All wayfinding and combo posts.
- ODHA-Kathy reported that she updated ODHA on the post project (see above) and improving
  the waste containers. They are interested in both and plan to add a waste container near the
  basketball court.
- Town Council-Doug reported that everyone on the council is in favor of Beautification's work to improve Town Hall and in fixing the front of town, water is working,

## **Old Business**

- Jen updated the group on wayfinding brackets, including the increased cost which may be greater than the grant.
- Jen and Doug provided an update on the Women's Club Welcome. Doug and Jen will meet over the next week to design and prep for the build. The font used on the sign should be considered. Doug suggested a deco style would be good. Jen suggested we ensure it has a natural rustic quality to it. Ideas for volunteers from town or someone external to town will be sought to help us.
- Meetings with stakeholders:
  - O Update on ODHA meeting on 7/19 and next steps including providing ideas for picnic tables at Nelson Park. Jen will dig out original ideas she had produced for ODHA.
  - Jen discussed progress on meeting with and walking Long Lake Park and the committee agreed to place this issue on hold.

• Jen recommended Ogden Dunes invest in a Town logo and coordinating fonts to use on website & new sign, as well as all other

## **New Business**

- Kathy reported out on the mailbox kiosk go-forward plan and toolkit. Jen suggested we watch locally for cedar shakes on sale for roofs.
- New Picnic Table at Nelson Park discussed above
- Jen mentioned that two blue trash cans have been placed on accessway 7 which was designated as a natural path with no trash amenity. Kathy suggested the Street Department remove it and Doug said they will figure it out.

Without additional topics, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.