

**Meeting of the Long Beach Land Conservation Committee**  
Wednesday February 17, 2015

Members present:

- A. Juhasz
- M. Maust
- B. Hazelgrove
- J. Schmidt (council liaison)

Meeting called to order by chairperson, A. Juhasz at 4:00 PM. She presented the mission statement which was accepted unanimously (see below) . It will be presented by J. Schmidt to P. Byvoets and the town council for their approval.

Members present agreed that primary focus should be on Moon Valley and how our committee can help to promote and protect Moon Valley. There are also numerous small properties around the town of Long Beach that have no owner listed. So Joy Schmidt will check with La Porte County records to see if owners can be identified.

Joy Schmidt will also check with the town council to see if any funding is available. M Maust also suggested that some possible acquisitions could be incorporated into the park department, so some funding may be possible from the park budget, if the proposed land purchase would be used as a park.

It is the understanding of our committee that we are advisory only and any actions we would take must be approved by the town council.

It was agreed that for some consistency, we would establish regular meeting times. It was agreed by the members present, that we would have meetings the 1st Wednesday of every month at 4 PM in the historical room #2 at the Community Center. Joy will notify the town clerk, so the meeting times can be published for the public information.

Next meeting date will be March 2nd.

Motion by M. Maust to adjourn and seconded by B. Hazelgrove.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Maust

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LBLCC Mission Statement as approved:

*I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived. (Henry David Thoreau)*

The Long Beach Land Conservation Committee is formed for the purposes of preserving green space in Long Beach, Indiana. This may be accomplished by identifying existing land in the public domain that shall be maintained for public use, and reclaiming land for public use when feasible through purchase or donations.

Our mission is to preserve the town's unique identity as a community defined by its relationship with the natural duneland and woodland landscapes and to enhance the quality of life of our citizens by preserving our natural treasures.