

MINUTES  
LONG BEACH TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN HALL, LONG BEACH, INDIANA  
DECEMBER 10, 2012

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Robert Schaefer. The following Council members were present: Robert Schaefer, Jane Neulieb, Patrick McDonald, Robert Angelo and Peter Byvoets. Also present were Fire Chief Dave Albers, Police Chief Robert Sulkowski, Street Superintendent Tom Dolph, Clerk-Treasurer William de Funiak and Attorney Jeff Thorne. Approximately 50 residents were in attendance.

**Approval of Minutes** – On motion made and seconded, the minutes of November 12, 2012 and December 5, 2012 were approved.

**Police Department/Police Commission** - Chief Bob Sulkowski delivered a report for November statistics. Council President Schaefer stated that a resident had donated an AR-15 rifle to the department worth approximately \$4,000. Chief Sulkowski recommended the department participate in the State breathalyzer program at the annual cost of \$650.00

**Volunteer Fire Department** – Chief Dave Albers delivered a report for November, 2012.

**Street Department** – Tom Dolph reported the leaf pick up was successfully completed on November 30, 2012. Councilman McDonald stated that he and Tom Dolph attended an MS-4 conference with 27 other municipalities.

**Park Board** – Jane Neulieb thanked town employees for painting over the graffiti on the pumping station. She reported that the LB Community Center committee had agreed to become an advisory group to the Park Dept. Motion made, seconded and approved to make LBCC committee a part of the Park Board. Next Park Board meeting scheduled for December 19, 2012.

**Community Center** – Pat McDonald presented estimate of \$4,900 - \$5,100 to install a hot water system in the Community Center bathrooms and kitchen. Motion made, seconded, and approved for this project.

**Water Board** - Bob Schaefer said the water board continues to study state-mandated back-flow prevention systems for all commercial businesses in Long Beach. Evaluation of a water department truck is ongoing. Next meeting is scheduled for December 17, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

**Budget & Finance** – Councilman Byvoets thanked the committee for its work in securing contracts for 2013 which provides for enhanced coverage at less cost than 2012.

**Building Commission** – Building Commissioner Paul Fithian discussed the lawsuit against the commission. He received advice that an attorney outside of Long Beach would be preferred. He

presented the firm of Eichhorn & Eichhorn as his choice to represent the commission. After discussion, council approved attorney John Twohey of E & E to be retained. Mr. Fithian noted that he had spent over 200 hours in volunteer work for the Town of Long Beach in 2012 and his job responsibilities were too pressing to continue on as commissioner for the town. He clarified that he was not resigning and would continue as commissioner until a suitable replacement had been named.

**Building Permits** – Bill de Funiak reported for the month of November, 2012, there were 15 building permits with construction costs of \$1,014,792.00 and fees to the town of \$8,525.00. There were 3 electric permits totaling \$484.00 with revenue to the town of \$48.40.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the above Council reports as presented. Motion approved.

Clerk-Treasurer, Bill deFuniak, presented a resolution to pay Town Council Attorney Thorne fees totaling \$10,124.00 out of Riverboat Funds. Motion made was approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Dean Uminski of 1512 Lakeshore Dr. expressed concern that “at-large” council members are not supporting all residents, particularly those on Lakeshore Drive.

Ted Reese of 2306 Lakeshore Dr. presented his interpretation of the DNR meeting and the DNR’s position.

Jim Dehner of 2300 Fairway Dr. suggested that the town not engage in costly legal issues regarding property rights of town residents.

Bill Sullivan of 2524 Lakeshore Dr. spoke of septic regulations which jeopardize property values on Lakeshore Drive.

Micky Gallas of Micky Gallas Properties spoke in favor of sewer systems within Long Beach.

**CLAIMS APPROVAL:** #10818 THROUGH 10884 = Total \$251,517.41.

Salaries for November 2012 - \$52,583.12.

Motion to approve claims made, seconded and approved.

The next town council meeting will be held Monday, January 14, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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William de Funiak  
Clerk-Treasurer