

MINUTES  
LONG BEACH TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN HALL, LONG BEACH, INDIANA  
JANUARY 13, 2014

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clerk-Treasurer, Bill de Funiak. The following Council members were present: Robert Schaefer, Robert Angelo, Patrick McDonald, Jane Neulieb, and Peter Byvoets. Also present were Fire Chief Dave Albers, Chief Marshal Bob Sulkowski, Clerk-Treasurer Bill de Funiak, and Attorney Julie Paulson. Street Superintendent Tom Dolph was absent. Approximately 7 people attended the meeting.

The first order of business was to elect a council president for 2014. Robert Schaefer was nominated to the position and the vote was unanimous for Schaefer as president.

**Approval of Minutes** – On motion made and seconded, minutes were approved for the council meeting of December 9, 2013.

**Police Department** – Prior to Chief Sulkowski reading the police report for December he congratulated Schaefer on being voted in as president of council. He then gave his report.

**Police Commission** – Schaefer mentioned there was no meeting in January. An executive session is scheduled for January 17, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. The next Police Commission meeting is February 5, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in Town Hall.

**Volunteer Fire Department** – Chief Dave Albers delivered the report for December. Albers still wants to plan a trip to Indianapolis regarding sprinkler systems. Bart DeLaBarre was grateful for the financial aid given to put the ice skating rink in at the tennis courts.

**Fire Commission Report** - Bob Schaefer reported the next month's Fire Commission meeting will be February 17, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

**Street Department** – In Tom Dolph's absence, Pat McDonald gave the report and thanked the street commission board for their help during the bitter cold storm.

**Park Board** – Jane Neulieb reported the first park board newsletter has gone out; all activities that are available at the community center are listed with dates and times available. A "Thank You" went to McKay Printing for printing and folding and labeling the mailing. Jane also thanked Debbie Semla for organizing the Christmas concert in December at the Community Center. Next meeting is the third Wednesday of January at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

**Community Center** – McDonald reported no major problems with/or at the Community Center. An outside source had to be hired to replace bulbs in the gymnasium.

**Water Board** - Robert Schaefer reported the board did not meet in December; next meeting January 27, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at Town Hall.

**Budget & Finance** – Peter Byvoets mentioned there was no meeting in December but possibly the week of January 13<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup> of 2014. Byvoets did mention, however, some other subjects that need to be discussed either in Budget and Finance or Plan Advisory meetings; the rights-of-ways, the building permit process, zoning ordinances, background checks on employees as stated in the ordinance, and police contracts.

**Human Resource Advisory Committee** –Hired consultant Pam Krueger tells us she is on target with the first draft of the employee manual to be ready in February. She has asked the committee if there is an organizational chart to show “who is under the direction of who” . Chief Sulkowski stated he had a chart and would get a copy to de Funiak.

**Building Commission Report** – McDonald stated Paul Fithian had nothing to report. There is a handout through MS-4 that will be delivered to contractors when they apply for future permits. Jane Neulieb asked about the heavy equipment that remains on properties after “projects are done”.

**Advisory Plan Commission** – No meeting

**Building Permits** – de Funiak reported for the month of December, 2013 there were 2 building permits with construction costs of \$157,000.00 and fees to the town of \$1,600.00. There were 5 electric permits totaling \$1,021.00 with revenue to the town of \$102.10. Legal Expenses paid in December totaled \$4,035.76.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the above council reports as presented.  
Motion approved 5-0.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - de Funiak asked permission to increase the leaf pick up expense and the refuse increase by Republic Services to \$22.00 to show up on the water bills starting February. There was a motion and second to approve the increase and it was approved by all.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Jane Neulieb stated that the bill to cover the electrician called in to replace the nearly 30% of bulbs at the gymnasium was near \$750.00 The was a motion and second for funds to be used from the Park Dept. budget to cover this expense. Motion approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Mike Haggerty, 2513 LSD, stated there are five (5) NIPSCo lights out from Hwy 12 to his home at 2513 Lake Shore Drive. Chief Sulkowski said he would have his night patrol officers check on it.

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:**

1. Police contracts for Michiana Shores and Duneland Beach will be reviewed at mid-year by the council.
2. The Clerk-Treasurer of Michiana Shores, Pat Margraf, has moved away, and Joan Lewis is now holding the clerk-treasurer's position there.
3. Council president Schaefer noted he will appoint new committees soon.
4. De Funiak stated no money has been received from the county for 2013 yet. Year 2009 is almost caught up. Approximately \$240,000 is due Long Beach .

**CLAIMS APPROVAL:** #11677 through #11733 = Total \$163,025.37  
Salaries for December 2013 were \$84,917.29

Claims were approved by a motion made and seconded; approved by all.

The next town council meeting will be held Monday, February 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
William S. de Funiak/Deanna Carlson