

MINUTES of Meeting held December 14, 2015

LONG BEACH TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN HALL, LONG BEACH, INDIANA

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Pres. Robert Schaefer. Council members Robert Angelo, Peter Byvoets, Pat McDonald and Jane Neulieb were present along with Fire Chief Dave Albers, Clerk-Treasurer Bill de Funiak, Police Chief Sulkowski, and Attorney Julie Paulson; St. Supt. Tom Dolph was absent. Approximately 30 people attended tonight's meeting

**Approval of Minutes** – Minutes of the council meeting from November 9, 2015 were approved with a motion by Bob Angelo and a second by Pat McDonald; approved 5-0.

**Police Department** – Chief Sulkowski read the November report, after which he presented two (2) awards of accommodation to (1) Officer Jason Speakman for a 2013 police pursuit from 2300 LSD to 1600 LSD that resulted in an apprehension of a suspect, and (2) Officer Jason Yagelski for an August 11, 2015 burglary incident at the Long Beach Country Club half way building in which the suspects were apprehended.

**Police Commission** – Schaefer announced the commission met on December 2, 2015. He announced Lt. Bullis would be off until February due to surgery. Two (2) new 2016 Ford explorers have been ordered for Bullis and Yagelski. He also mentioned Officer Jim Schooley would be attending a training course. The commission meets again on January 6, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at Town Hall.

**Volunteer Fire Department** – Chief Dave Albers read the report Y-T-D thru November, 2015. (on file)

**Fire Commission Report** – The Fire Chief stated that by March 1<sup>st</sup> there would be a solid proposal for a new fire truck and a fire building.

**Street Department** – Pat McDonald gave November's report. Fall leaf pick is complete and all leaves have been removed from town property to the dumpsite by Healy's Landscape. The garage doors at the maintenance building have been replaced. The plow trucks are ready for the winter season. Pat thanked all the street commission members for working with him these last few years. Pete Byvoets asked about street striping; Pat said to date no striping has been done and 2 of the 3 companies they previously contracted with are out of business.

**Park Board** – Jane Neulieb stated the board would be meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup>; this will be a combined November/December 2015 meeting.

**Community Center** – Pat McDonald announced all is working fine at the C C; tables are still missing from the courtyard room.

The **Water Board** met on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. The water department had replaced a couple of hydrants. Next meeting is December 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

**Budget & Finance** – Pete Byvoets said the committee met on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. At the January 2016 meeting they would like to discuss Adsnet for a security survey, a salary study in all areas, Cender & Co. and the audit report, a possible new printer, and the future of the Community Center.

**Human Resource Advisory Committee** – no meeting

**Building Commission Report** – Angelo read November's report on a special meeting they held and a regular meeting. The committee recommended to council the appointment of Leroy Pinkston for Electrical Inspector for 2016. Upon a motion by Angelo and a second by McDonald the council approved the appointment of Pinston for another one year term. Angelo stated the commission discussed the possibility of placing an ad for an HVAC & A/C & Plbg Inspector. Next building commission meeting is January 8, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

**Advisory Plan Commission** – Pete Byvoets stated the committee met November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and will meet again on December 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

**Permit Report** – de Funiak reported the following for the month of November: Fees of \$10,025.00 were collected on projects totaling \$2,954,717.00; revenue of \$50.50 collected on electric permits issued totaling \$505.00; 2 street cutting permits with fees of \$200.00.

**Legal Expenses** paid in November 2015 were \$5,640.14 to Harris, Welsh & Lukmann, Attys.

A motion made by Angelo and seconded by Jane Neulieb to approve the above council reports as presented 5-0.

**Unfinished Business** –  
No unfinished business

**New Business** –  
Bob Schaefer announced that he read the proclamation of December 11, 2015 to initiate the one (1) year celebration of the Bicentennial year of Statehood for Indiana. The Bicentennial flag was raised at noon and will be displayed until December 11, 2016.

Council approved full-time status for Deanna Carlson by a vote of 3 -1 and one abstention.

Council approved full-time status for Aaron Tomscheck by a vote of 3 - 2.

Closing of Town Hall at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, December 18, 2015 for the employee Christmas lunch was approved.

The council agreed to meet Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. for the special council meeting to approve the 2016 salary ordinance and December 2015 claims.

Clerk-Treasurer de Funiak discussed the 11 year old copier/printer and suggested the new council be active in securing an up-to-date replacement.

De Funiak reviewed, with council, the computer server, which was installed in 2012, and suggested that it be replaced as early as 2017.

Unappropriated funds - Discussions were made among deFuniak, Neulieb, and Byvoets regarding authorization of payment of invoices.

Bob Schaefer announced the formal resignation of Peter Kelly from the Board of Zoning Appeals. Two candidates were presented to replace Kelly. Council approved, by a vote of 3 - 2, John Kocher as the replacement for Peter Kelly, to fulfill Kelly's 2 year term.

Pat McDonald presented engineering plans to the council and the public showing means to control water damage and erosion at Stops 22 and 23. Posted plans on the board for future street commission's use and files.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Rich Crain, 2200 Mary Ben Ave., complimented the 3 retiring council members, McDonald, Schaefer, and Angelo, for their service to the town.

Ted Reese, 2308 Lake Shore Dr., also thanked the 3 retiring council members for their integrity and service to Long Beach. He also made comments about building heights.

Joe Jogmen, 2213 Florimond Ave., responded to comments about legal expenses.

Chief Sulkowski made mention that long time past council/water board member for Long Beach, Jay Pleimling, passed away on Friday.

Pat McDonald, council member, commented about social media and false accusations made against council members.

Bill Powers, 1523 Lake Shore Dr., presented an update of the progress at Stop 16. (Gave handout)

#### **Council Comments:**

Jane Neulieb spoke in defense of Doria LeMay.

Pat McDonald thanked residents, board/commission/council members, town employees and volunteers who assisted and supported him during his 41 years of service to Long Beach.

Pete Byvoets responded to a concerned resident's comments regarding legal expenses and building heights.

Bob Schaefer thanked the community for their support and provided best wishes for the new council.

**CLAIMS APPROVAL:** Checks #13267 through #13343 totaling \$207,225.80  
Salaries for November 2015 were \$62,957.65

Motion made by Bob Angelo and seconded by Pat McDonald to approve claims/ salaries; unanimously approved 5-0.

The next town council meeting will be held Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
William S. de Funiak