

Long Beach Park Board  
Meeting Minutes February 28, 2023  
Long Beach/Town Center 6pm

- \* Call to Order 6:00pm, Zach Neff. Reminder that Park Board meetings take place on the 4th Tuesday of each month, 6pm, Town Center. Go to [longbeachin.org](http://longbeachin.org) for in person and remote status and for all other Town of Long Beach information. Contact Long Beach Park Board [longbeachparkboard@gmail.com](mailto:longbeachparkboard@gmail.com). Information: meta: Long Beach (Indiana) Parks & Recreation Board, Long Beach Activities.
- \* Quorum: Zach Neff, Kendra Bartlett, Anita Remijas, Joy Schmitt. Remote attendees include Janice Brown (Beach Garden Club liaison), John Kocher (Council liaison), Beth Denton (Pizzo & Associates).
- \* Approval of Minutes from January 2023 meeting, motion JS, second KB, all in favor of the motion, none opposed the motion carries.

On-going Business:

- \* Activities Coordinator Update (Sarah Plooster): Volleyball camp (similar to tennis camp) will proceed under summer camp umbrella 2023. Camp director meetings and interviews during April. Camp start 06.19.2023, end 08.04.2023. Monthly Saturday art classes are well attended. Bingo in fall/winter is not a wise use of funds due to low turnout, maybe try one-time event. Question re: camp payment using credit or debit card, JS will follow up with Helen Sheridan in Clerk's office.
- \* Beach Garden Club Update (Janice Brown): Discussion of mulch in Community Center playground area, only two Indiana companies provide and install the specific mulch, JB will supervise work with Great Lakes. BGC 90th anniversary year will kick off on May 19th with community speaker series on Recycling: Do's and Don'ts, Stop 24 will be added to BCG volunteer projects.
- \* Stop Updates (ZN): 21 and 23: Metal fencing company sustained severe fire damage, company is rebuilding, KB will remain contact person for spring/early summer installation. Other quotes were substantially higher. 19 (2023 \$10K budget), resident petition to provide area for strollers, bikes, wagons. ZN will draw simple plans. There will not be any leveling of sand. 29 (2023 \$15K budget) no complaints, no safety issues, wood is estimated at 10-15 years, ZN will obtain estimates. 16 (2023 \$10K budget). Stop 24 (2023 \$25K budget).
- \* Encroachments at beach stops (ZN): Issue arose due to resident west of 29 planting evergreens. What does PB intend to do? 28 parking pad, wait until 2024 for repairs, 99.9% town property, removal of concrete would be costly.
- \* Community Center (JS): New floor, cabinets properly placed but one has to be attached to wall, Room 2 has moved to Room 3.
- \* Volleyball equipment (KB): See note above re: incorporating volleyball camp under summer camp 2023 umbrella. Nets/poles approximately \$700, EDP will split cost (must mark equipment EDP).
- \* Phragmites on Town Property (ZN): Stop 19, some at Stop 24. Proposal of \$5077 is reasonable, ZN will sign off on contract, discussion of town/homeowners sharing cost. Motion to pay Pizzo & Associates Zach Neff, second JS, all in favor of the motion, none opposed the motion carries.

Old Business:

- \* Pickleball/Tennis court sign (AR): Apologies that Reprographics is behind in producing draft of sign, Chief Swistek continues to monitor progress.
- \* Tree pruning in the park (JS): Until 2023 budget issues are resolved, item is on hold.

- \* Encroachments at Beach Stops (ZN):
- \* ADA access at Stop 15 (ZN): Meeting with Chief Swistek in coming week.

New Business:

- \* Phragmites on Town Property (ZN): See above on-going business.
- \* Art in the Park (JS): Scheduled for Saturday 07.29.2023, Pepe food truck, Valpo ice cream.
- \* Pickleball courts (ZN): Correspondence from players re: courts in rough shape (power wash, repaired, resurfaced August 2021). ZN will look at courts.
- \* Beach clean up (ZN): Scheduled for Earth Day April 22, 2023. Chief offers use of Police Department ATV, requires small trailer to get it to beach.

Public Comments:

- \* Janice Brown mentioned collaboration with Tree Board re: proposed ordinance, NIPSCO is doing tree trimming.

Adjourned 6:40pm, motion JS, second KB  
Next Park Board meeting 03.28.2023 at 6pm, Town Center  
Agenda will be posted Meta

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita Remijas, Recording Secretary

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