

Long Beach Park Board  
Meeting Minutes July 25, 2023  
Long Beach Town Center 6pm

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- \* Call to Order 6:01pm, 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: Long Beach (Indiana) Parks & Recreation Board, Long Beach Activities (Meta).
- \* Quorum: Kendra Bartlett, Zach Neff, Anita Remijas, Joy Schmitt. In person and zoom: Barbara Morgan, Sarah Plooster (Activities Coordinator), John Kocher (Council liaison).
- \* Approval of Minutes from June 2023 meeting, motion JS, second KB, all in favor of the motion, none opposed the motion carries.

On-Going Business:

- \* Activities Coordinator Update (SP): Summer Camp 2023, 189 enrolled (maximum of 200 campers, 2023 more than 2022), annual field trip to Washington Park Zoo 80-100 campers, LaPorte County library bus was on site four times, LBVolunteerFireDepartment water spray annual event on the last day of camp, STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) bus was adapted to different age groups. Clay 101 will take place at Community Center over period of two weeks (Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday) beginning 09.19 and ending 09.30.23.
- \* Beach Garden Club: No update.
- \* Stops 21 and 23 Update (ZN): Work on metal railings is complete, JS submitted invoice.
- \* Encroachments at Stop 29 (ZN): Thate Survey, markers are up, Steve Thate will complete drawings. ZN meeting with Tim Voortman and John Wall, numerous topics, including easement, stairs, removal of recently planted trees near boardwalk, gravel pad on LB property, house built 10 years ago (Joe Jogmen looking at Building Commission/BZA documents). Discussion of what to plant in area (dune grass?). PB trying to be reasonable, consistent, handle in stages, e.g. removed newly planted trees at Stop 23, reclaimed paved driveway at Stop 18. Phase 1 would be to remove trees, devise landscaping plan agreeable to TV/LB. KB would like to see LB reimbursed for survey, agreement re: dune grass, delineate gravel path with split rail fencing, non exclusive ownership of gravel path by TV. Town could be liable for whatever happens there: LB and TV/separate maintenance of area. Compromise is key. VIP: get documentation for easements. Course of Action: Meet with TV, what PB/LB wants to happen, removal of trees, TV assist with funding, low split rail fence to delineate property.
- \* Art in the Park (JS): July 29th 9am-3pm All is ready, volleyball net down Thursday evening, Community Center and renters are ready for tours and questions. Traffic will be handled by Police Department because of another CC event.
- \* Pickleball Striping at CC (AR): Approval has been given by LBCC and Town per discussion to cover over three pickleball stripings adjacent to Community Center/basketball court.
- \* Cottonwoods at Stop 16 (JS): Meeting with Stop 16 residents called by CJ Dempsey, many residents love the trees, \$2800 offered to be paid by LB to trim back trees as aggressively as possible without harm to trees.

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- \* Boats & Items Stored on Beaches (ZN): Complaints of boats, jet skis left on beach. DNR is talking to Indianapolis, Chief Swistek is involved, ZN does not anticipate any movement this summer or fall.

Old Business:

- \* ADA Access at Stop 15 (JS): August 1st meeting at Stop 15 with Jeff of Global, topographical design and survey.

New Business:

- \* 10-Minute Unloading Parking/Issues with Parking near Stops (ZN): Stop 24 is a problem: cars and golf carts for hours at stop and on grass on St. Lawrence, no parking signs were immediately added, appears that non-residents may be abusing beach privileges, Chief Swistek is adding attention by patrol officers, community policing is always best.

Public Comments: None.

Adjourned 6:46pm, motion KB, second JS, all in favor of the motion, none opposed the motion carries.

Next Park Board meeting 08.22.2023 at 6pm, Town Center.  
Agenda will be posted Meta.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita Remijas, recording secretary

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