

TOWN OF LONG BEACH  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING @ Town Hall  
OCTOBER 14, 2019  
7:00 p.m.

Attending tonight's meeting were council members Bob Lemay, Pete Byvoets, Nick Meyer, Joy Schmitt, Clerk-Treasurer Bill de Funiak, Police Chief Bob Sulkowski, Street Superintendent Tom Dolph, Town Attorney Chris Willoughby of Braje, Nelson & Janes, Marilyn Jones & Associates videographer and court reporter, Becky Lempa; and ALCO TV. There were approximately 25 audience members present. Councilwoman Jane Neulieb and LBVFD Chief Wall were absent.

After the **Pledge of Allegiance**, the minutes of the Council meeting of September 9, 2019 were approved with a motion and second by Schmitt and Byvoets; and the Budget Hearing of September 23, 2019 were approved with motion and second by Meyer and Byvoets.

**Reports were Read:**

**Police Department /Police Commission-** Police report for September was read by Chief Sulkowski. There was no Police Commission report to read this evening. President Lemay asked about campaign signs that were reported as too close to the street. Chief Sulkowski said that addresses should be provided to his department for evaluation.

**Fire Department/Fire Commission** – John Wall was absent so no reports were read and no commission meeting was held.

**Street Department/Street Commission** – Tom Dolph reported that maintenance has been performed in-house on the snow and leaf equipment. Some traffic signs have been replaced. Byvoets asked about the 2020 Community Crossing Grant and was informed that Haas Engineering is preparing it now.

**Park Board** – Joy Schmitt read the report and gave a “Beach Stop” improvements update, including plans that remain for this year, and upkeep and maintenance scheduled for 2020.

**Long Beach Community Center Committee** – Joy Schmitt read the monthly report. She has been contacted by the Indiana DNR, regarding our acceptance in the National Historic Registry. A plaque will be delivered shortly.

**Water Board** – Nick Meyer reported on the maintenance which is ongoing on the water tower. He responded to a resident question regarding changes to main water service lines on LSD, should they be scheduled. He assured all residents that they would not be required to make changes. However, Nick did urge residents to upgrade their water service lines from the street if they had older water lines.

**Budget and Finance** – Byvoets reported that the discrepancies in the recent SBOA audit had been resolved. The 2020 Budget Approval will be conducted later on in this meeting. He mentioned the 2020 CCMG submission which will be made in December for INDOT paving assistance for next year.

**Human Resources Advisory Committee** – A meeting with all committee members was held on October 11, 2019. The most recent Salary Survey was presented. A suggestion of a COLA increase for all employees was presented.

**Building Department** – Byvoets discussed the October meeting and issues that continue with:

- 1802 LSD, Perry residence- “ongoing saga”
- 1906 LSD, the Nash residence- sent to Town attorney
- 2943 LSD, the Miniat residence- retaining wall
- 2925 Roslyn Trail- Interior Renovation
- 2919 LSD, Mullin residence – continuing conversations regarding retaining wall
- 2016 Melrose – Carport non-conforming
- 2816 Brentwood, Soller residence – not enough info to approve
- Duffy Lane residence – shed abandoned
- 2114 LSD residence – meeting with DNR regarding beach replenishment
- 1403 LSD, Jacobson residence – approved
- 2312 Foxdale, Neff residence – deck approved
- 2015 LSD residence – deck approved

**Board of Zoning Appeals** – Lemay stated a preliminary hearing was held at the October 8<sup>th</sup> meeting for Kevin Kruis, 2027 Oriole Trail; it was tabled due to additional information needed. A variance was granted at the public hearing for Tom Cahill residing at 2823 Elbridge Way.

**Advisory Plan Commission** – Nick Meyer stated that the Shoreline Protection Ordinance was discussed once again at the September 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. A workshop was held October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in Town Hall with over 40 + public comments, suggestions on record. The October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting will include additional comments that have been submitted and the amended ordinance will be discussed again. Attorney Willoughby spoke tonight on the highlights of the ordinance.

September 2019 **permit revenue** report:

De Funiak reported 20 permits were issued with fees of \$4,514.00 collected on project costs of \$365,986.00. 5- electrical permits were issued with town revenue of \$68.70 on total fees of \$687.00.

**Legal Expenses** paid in September totaled \$6,091.00; \$5,602.50 to Braje, Nelson & Janes, LLC and \$352.50 to Austgen, Kuiper& Jasaitas; and \$136.00 to Knight, Hoppe, Kurnik & Knight, Ltd.

A motion was made by Schmitt and second by Meyer to approve all reports. Motion carried 4 - 0.

**Old Business** – Nick Meyer reported that bid submissions for the Stop 24 project were scheduled for 3 PM on October 15, 2019. A council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall to evaluate the bids.

**New Business** – Pete Byvoets mentioned that as a result of the recent **audit** and review by our software vendor, it appears that an amount slightly in excess of \$51,000 should be moved from the Water Department bank account to the Town account. Both funds are maintained at Horizon Bank.

De Funiak proposed that we proceed with Healy Landscaping for the **2019 Fall Leaf Pickup**. His prices have remained the same for the past 3 years; \$48,000 for leaf pickup and \$16,000 for removing leaves to an IDEM approved site. A motion by Joy and second by Nick to approve Healy was approved 4 – 0.

The **2020 Budget** was approved with a motion and second by Byvoets and Meyer by a vote of 4 – 0.

**Trick or Treat** hours of 5 – 7 PM on October 31, 2019 were announced.

**Resident refund** for an overpayment on a building permit was approved with a motion and second by Byvoets and Schmitt, by a vote of 4 - 0.

Work on the **2020 CCMG proposal** by Haas & Associates will cost a not to exceed figure of \$43,500. A motion by Joy and second by Pete was approved 4 – 0 to proceed.

Resident **request for a NIPSCO light** fixture at the Rosamond/Storey intersection was approved conditionally. De Funiak will contact neighbors who are near this corner to gauge their support. If positive, Town may then make a written request to NIPSCO for installation.

A **nature walk** is scheduled for Saturday, November 2, 2019. Participants are encouraged to bring well-behaved dogs on leashes to the event.

Nick Meyer requested replacement on the NIRPC board by Bob Lemay. Lemay was nominated by Meyer with a motion and a second by Byvoets. This was approved unanimously.

**Public Comments** – Mary Kowalski asked to be included in plans for Stop 28 improvements.

There were no additional **comments** from the **council**.

Claims Approval: Byvoets motioned to amend, and Schmitt seconded, an original motion to approve claims #16652 through #16751, by excluding from payment check #16696, for \$3,276.00, from the total claims of \$197,929.72. This amended motion was approved. Schmitt then made a motion for claims of \$194,653.72 be approved, and salaries for September of \$58,269.81; second by Byvoets, approved 4-0.

Motion and second to adjourn by Byvoets and Schmitt, approved 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill de Funiak,

Clerk-Treasurer