

# Ogden Dunes General Code Review Committee Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2014 – Fire Station

## Members

Jim Slawinski, Chair (Present)  
Mike Schaefer, Co-Chairperson (Absent)  
Ken Thompson, Secretary (Present)  
Bill Gregory, TC Member (Present)  
Charles Costanza, TC Member (Present)

Connie Collins (Present)  
Ed Hewitt (Present)  
Ed Rooks (Present)  
Lynn Toomey (Absent – death of Mom)

- **Meeting called to order** at 703p
- **Approval of Committee Minutes** from the June 11th, 2014 GCR Meeting. Approved by unanimous voice vote.
- Timeframe involving **Staggered Term Recommendation** (GCRC 2014-2) and current proposed ordinance #800 (BG & CC) - Karen Taillian was present for the meeting. Bill Gregory explained conflicting items in the code with the notion of staggered terms. There are potential legal challenges with the selection of the transitional different lengths of term. Karen said there have been several cases of receiving retroactive permission. The problem is that the state will not approve changes in the law until January. The ordinance needs to have the wards identified in the ordinance. That might be done at the next Town Council meeting. The state law governing elections and there seems to be some inconsistency in the law. However, the state booklet interpreting the law allows staggered terms.
- Possible new ordinance involving **street parking** as a function of expected snowfall. Jim Matthys is scheduled to speak at the August GCR Meeting. Delayed until next month
- Final review by the GCR of ordinance involving **realtor open house signage** and proper placement per Police Chief Jim Reader's Request. (See GCRC 2014-3). We thought "2 hours" instead of "15 minutes" for posting time and change "homeowner" to "on open house property" to clarify property that can be posted. We unanimously approved the changes and the final proposed ordinance. Jim S will make the changes and submit for Town Council consideration.
- New or revised ordinance involving **outside advertising on OD Mailbox Racks**. Marshall Reeder suggested some ordinance on posting of advertising. Jim was going to explore this issue. Jim S will review.
- New or revised ordinance involving **watercraft on the beach** (sea worthiness and or seasonal removal requirement). Concern about craft without stickers removal, but what about sea worthy craft – if they are not, even if they have a sticker, is it appropriate to allow them to stay? We discussed the pros and cons on both issues; seasonal removal & non sea worthy craft. We decided that seasonal removal would not be feasible. Ed R will review this issue.
- GCRC review (or not) of **ordinances that are currently part of the building code** - will be considered at the next meeting. The concerns relate to signs and that currently is part of the building code. We decided to let the TC make a decision.
- **GCR Committee Operating Process** to get back on track with a **systematic way of reviewing existing ordinances**. Bill proposed the attached item a-c (attached).
  - a. Conduct a brainstorm session with the committee. What does/should a town of our size & character pay attention to, i.e., regulate via the code?
    - i. Assess and agree whether it is appropriate to address via code Y or N
    - ii. If Y, review code for what addresses this
    - iii. Assess timeliness, relevance, and current applicability of regulation. If needs revision, work on it...what, why, when, where, how, etc. & make recommendations.
  - b. Have committee discussion on presumed community problems/issues/concerns. Agree on issues, prioritize, and review existing code to see if addressed.
  - c. Assign sections of code to each member for study and assessment of current OD conditions with recommendation that issue be addressed or not by the whole committee.
- **GCR Committee Member reporting at Town Council Meeting** - Lynn now scheduled for August. Ed Hewitt for September
- **New business** – Additional GCR Recommendations – see GCR Committee operating process above
- **Residents' Remarks**
- **Committee Member Remarks** and review of individual assignments
- **Next scheduled meeting** date August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- **Adjourn** by voice proclamation at **815p**