

**Town of Dune Acres**

**RESOLUTION 2020-01  
The Town of Dune Acres  
EMERGENCY DECLARATION**

**Declaration by the Town Council of The Town of Dune Acres, Indiana  
Declaring a Local Disaster Emergency**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Dune Acres has been impacted by or is immediately threatened by a natural disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, Water levels on Lake Michigan have reached record levels; and

**WHEREAS**, As a result of the shoreline erosion, the Town was required to expend considerable funds to install a 100-foot seawall above the ordinary high water mark along portions of Beach Drive in October, 2019 to protect a portion of public road that was under imminent threat of collapse; and

**WHEREAS**, Erosion of the Lake Michigan shoreline continues to threaten Town infrastructure and private property along Beach Drive, East Road, and Crest Drive located within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Dune Acres Town Council desires to work with Porter County, the State and federal agencies to address and respond to this local disaster emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, On today's date, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 the principal executive officer of the Town of Dune Acres, namely the Town Council President, Rich Hawksworth has declared a local disaster emergency in accordance with I.C. 10-14-3-29(a)(1) by and through this resolution; and

**WHEREAS** in accordance with IC 10-14-3-29(a)(2) this resolution is further created to continue said emergency beyond seven (7) as evidenced by the written consent of the governing Board of the Town, namely the Town Council members who are signatories to this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY DECLARED by  
The Town of Dune Acres Town Council and the Town Council President as follows:**

**SECTION 1:** The Town of Dune Acres Town Council declares that a local disaster emergency exists in the Town, and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indian Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this Declaration, to be in full force and effect in the Town for the exercise of all necessary

emergency authority for the protection of the lives and property of the people of the Town and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption

**SECTION 2:** Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances, resolutions and particularly to Indiana Code 10-14-3-29.

**SECTION 3:** All public offices and employees of The Town of Dune Acres are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives, both State and local.

**SECTION 4:** All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.

**SECTION 5:** All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the Porter County Emergency Management Agency.

**SECTION 6:** This Resolution and Declaration of Emergency shall remain in effect for seven (7) days, and thereafter until the threat of this natural disaster subsides or is mitigated, or the Town Council terminates this Resolution and Declaration.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Dune Acres, Porter County, Indiana, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2020, at a public meeting conducted in accordance with Indiana's Open Door Law.



**RICH HAWKSWORTH, Council President**

**PETER BOMBERGER, Council Member**



**ALEXANDER STEMER, Council Member**

**ATTEST:**



**JEANNETTE E. BAPST, Clerk-Treasurer**