



Minutes
Town of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina
Town Council – Work Session
Thursday, April 21, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.



A regularly scheduled work session of the Atlantic Beach Town Council was held Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Meeting Room, 125 West Fort Macon Road, Atlantic Beach, North Carolina.

Members Present: Mayor A. B. Cooper, III; Councilmembers: Ann Batt, Eddie Briley, and John Rivers

Members Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Danny Navey and Councilmember Harry Archer

Others Present: David Walker, Town Manager; Katrina Tyer, Town Clerk; Sabrina Simpson, Administrative Service Director; Jeff Harvey, Police Chief (left meeting at 10:27am); Adam Snyder, Fire Chief; Marc Schulze, Public Service Director; Michelle Shreve, Planning Director; John Harrell, Chief Inspector; Mike Shutak, Carteret News Times

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Batt proceeded with calling the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m. while awaiting Mayor Cooper.

Sabrina Simpson, Deputy Town Clerk, called the roll. Mayor Pro Tem Navey is out of town. Councilmember Archer is attending the NC Beach Inlet and Waterway Association conference in Pine Knoll Shores.

Councilmember Briley made a motion *to approve* the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Rivers. Vote was unanimous, 3-0. Motion carried.

1. Review of Proposed FY2016-17 Annual Operating Budget - Presentation and Round Table Discussion, Questions, Comments

David Walker, Town Manager, reviewed the proposed budget figures for Council. A public hearing is scheduled for April 25, 2016.

Mayor Cooper arrived 9:35 a.m.

Council discussed and agreed to change the fee for beach driving passes allowing all Atlantic Beach property owners 65 years or older to be free; regardless of vehicle registration location.

2. Beach Nourishment Funding Options

It was the consensus of Council to look at beach nourishment as a project each 10-15 years and finance at the time if needed rather than implementing tax. It will be best to spread costs town wide, not just to beachfront property owners, either using fee or parking revenue.

3. Discussion of Park Projects & Concession Options

Mr. Walker discussed park management and staffing. We have had interest in outside management of the concessions. The concession and restroom facility will not be complete when the skatepark and miniature golf are so we will bring in portable facilities.

Councilmember Briley has heard from multiple citizens expressing desire for the town to manage the park to keep the use costs low and regulated. Our goal is for people to enjoy the park, not make a profit.

There was discussion about the necessity of security at the park due to the multiple age groups that will be present. Most towns with parks don't have full time police security. We want to see the park get off on the right foot after all we have invested. There was discussion of installing a 911 phone similar to what is required at public pools.

4. Conduct a Public Hearing on Zoning Map Corrections

Michelle Shreve, Planning Director, reviewed the map corrections and the plan to further investigate the issues. Planner Shreve will present the issues and errors to the Planning Board at their June 7, 2016 meeting and ask for a

recommendation. An additional public hearing has also been advertised for April 25, 2016. No one was present in the audience to speak.

Councilmember Briley made a motion *to table the public hearing until receipt of the recommendation from the Planning Board*. Seconded by Councilmember Batt. Vote was unanimous, 3-0. Motion carried.

5. Resolution 16-04-01: Resolution of Commitment of Funds Water Resources Development Project Grant

Michelle Shreve, Planner, presented the updated resolution for the dredging grant. The NC General Assembly revised the cost-share percentages during their last session and projects in Carteret County are now eligible for a 33.4% local – 66.6% state cost share. Therefore we are requesting to change our initial request in Resolution #16-02-01 from \$50,000 with a 50% match to \$100,000 with a 66.6% match

Councilmember Batt made a motion *to approve Resolution 16-04-01: Resolution of Commitment of Funds Water Resources Development Project Grant*. Seconded by Councilmember Rivers. Vote was unanimous, 3-0. Motion carried.

Mayor Council Comments / Advisory to Staff

None.

There being no further action taken or business before Council the meeting stood adjourned. The time was 10:37 a.m.

These minutes were approved at the May 23, 2016 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

ATTEST:

(seal)


Katrina Tyer - Town Clerk

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH


A.B. Cooper, III - Mayor

