



Minutes
Town of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina
Town Council – Work Session
Thursday, October 20, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.



A regularly scheduled work session of the Atlantic Beach Town Council was held Thursday, October 20, 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; Mayor Pro Tem Danny Navey; Councilmembers: Harry Archer, Ann Batt, Eddie Briley, and John Rivers

Members Absent: None

Others Present: David Walker, Town Manager; Katrina Tyer, Town Clerk; Sabrina Simpson, Administrative Services Director; Arrington Moore, Management Assistant; Marc Schulze, Public Works Director; Bobby Partusch, Assistant Public Works Director; Mike Shutak, Carteret News Times; Lee Dixon, Architect; Jeff Harvey, Police Chief, joined the meeting audience at 9:17am.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cooper called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Councilmember Archer made a motion *to approve* the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Rivers. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

1. New Public Works Facility: Review of Award of Public Works Building Project: Stock & Taylor Construction, Washington NC in the amount of \$915,100

On October 5, staff received ten (10) bids to construct the new public works facility. The low bidder, Stocks & Taylor Construction, Washington, NC, was below the engineer estimate with a bid in the amount of \$915,100. Stocks and Taylor is a reputable firm with other government references. They have constructed several Family Dollars, which is similar to our building construction. Construction is 210 days, with completion prior to next summer.

This bid includes a 1,500 gallon per day septic system approved by the Carteret County Health Dept. It also includes a security gate and fencing. A budget amendment for financing from General Fund reserves and Utility Fund reserves as this building serves both the Public Services and Water Departments will be submitted at the October 24 meeting.

2. Summary of Bids Received for Town Park Expansion Project

Mr. Walker reviewed the bids received for the park expansion project consisting of septic, parking, and concession/restroom facility. Three bids were received on October 19, but the apparent low bidder, Thomas Simpson Construction, contacted the Town immediately stating they made a substantial mathematical error and following statutory allowances, will go through the motions to withdraw their bid and be removed from consideration. A hearing will be before the Town Manager on October 21 and the outcome presented to Council on October 24. This will leave us with two bids, we can either negotiate with the second lowest bidder for a lower price or drop all bids and rebid. Thomas Simpson will not be allowed to re-bid or work as a subcontractor on the project. Had Thomas Simpson submitted the correct bid, it still would have been the low bidder by approximately \$100,000 and still under the engineer's estimated cost of \$500,000.

Mayor Council Comments / Advisory to Staff

Mayor Cooper has requested Greg “Rudi” Rudolph, Shore Protection Office, brief the Council on the USACE dredging project at the October 24 meeting. The Beach Commission will meet on Monday morning.

Mayor Cooper thanked Public Services staff for their prompt service restoring the Town following Hurricane Matthew and for addressing citizen’s road signage concerns.

The fire ring pits we planned to place on the beach strand during the off-season will not be permitted by CAMA without going through the process of a variance due to the concrete material and perceived permanence. This may not be cost effective for the Town to pursue. We can look into other materials and options.

There being no further action taken or business before Council the meeting stood adjourned. The time was 9:27 a.m.

These minutes were approved at the November 28, 2016 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

ATTEST:

(seal)



Katrina E. Tyer
Katrina Tyer - Town Clerk

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