



**Minutes**  
**Town of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina**  
**Town Council Meeting**  
**Monday, June 26, 2017**



The regularly scheduled meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council was held Monday, June 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.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, John Rivers

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** David Walker, Town Manager; Derek Taylor, Town Attorney; Katrina Tyer, Town Clerk; Sabrina Simpson, Administrative Service Director; Michelle Shreve, Planner; Marc Schulze, Public Service Director; Jeff Harvey, Police Chief; Adam Snyder, Fire Chief; Arrington Moore, Special Projects/Management Assistant; and Megan Hunter, Plan/Insp Admin Assistant

Neil Chamblee and Rich Porter, Planning Board members; John Lotspih and Fred Dean, Board of Adjustment members

**CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Navey led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDAS**

Councilmember Archer made a motion *to postpone* the public hearing on the proposed amendment to Chapter 18, Unified Development Ordinance and Official Zoning Map of the Town of Atlantic Beach until the August 28 Council meeting and *to approve* the agendas as amended. Seconded by Councilmember Rivers. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a) Financial Report
- b) Tax Collection Report
- c) Tax Releases
- d) Budget Amendments
- e) Budget Transfers
- f) Letter of Condolence and Appreciation for Georgia "Mitsy" Overman
- g) Water Policy Amendment – Capacity Use Fee
- h) **Resolution 17-06-01:** Resolution Approving The Amendment Of Personnel Resolution 08-12-02 (Health Benefits for Retirees)
- i) Municipal Records Retention Schedule Amendment
- j) Town Council Meeting Minutes: 5/9/17SM Joint Council/PB; 5/18/17 WS; 5/22/17

Councilmember Batt made a motion *to approve* the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Navey. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

5. Public Hearing on proposed amendment to Chapter 18, Unified Development Ordinance and Official Zoning Map of the Town of Atlantic Beach: **\*\* Postponed to a Later Date for Legal Staff Review**

**6. CITIZEN REQUESTS/COMMENTS**

None.

**7. Review Citizen Request for a stop sign at Money Island Drive and Tryon Street**

Chief Harvey stated that since the citizen complaint, the Police Department conducted extra patrol in the area of Money Island, Tryon, Dobbs, Caswell and Glenn streets. They issued 6 stop sign violation citations and 4 warning tickets for the same. The subjects stopped were a mix of residents and visitors (almost 50-50). The radar speed sign placed in the area recorded the top speed at 23 MPH. Several years ago NCDOT advised against another stop sign located at Tryon and Money Island due to the area being so close to NC 58 and the potential that traffic could back up onto NC 58.

He has observed the area several times in the past few weeks and in his opinion another stop sign will not correct the issue of drivers running the stop sign located at Dobbs and Money Island. His recommendation is that the Police continue to monitor and cite violations. They will continue to utilize the speed radar sign to educate the driving public and collect information of speeding violations.

Councilmember Briley questioned the potential of adding a speed hump to get attention prior to the stop sign. Councilmember Batt feels people may not see the signage. Council discussed usage of a flashing light. Councilmember Rivers asked if we could consider ordering portable speed bumps to place in areas as needed.

## 8. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- a) Approval of **Ordinance 17-06-01**: FY17-18 Annual Operating Budget
- b) Review of Capital Projects Status

Mr. Walker briefly reviewed the budget. It maintains the current tax rate and plans for all of the goals of this Council.

Councilmember Briley made a motion *to approve* Ordinance 17-06-01: FY17-18 Annual Operating Budget. Seconded by Councilmember Archer. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

Mr. Walker provided an update on capital projects and upcoming events.

## 9. MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

**Councilmember Batt:** She has heard absolutely fantastic remarks on the park and the park staff. She is so grateful for completing the park and the great compliments they hear.

**Councilmember Rivers:** Response to everything has been phenomenal. People are coming to Town planning their vacations around our festivals. This has been the year that so many things have come together and it has been recognized. We can be proud.

**Councilmember Briley:** He hears how pretty the park is and it makes him proud. It has come a long way and is beautiful. We should be proud. Commented on a citizen noting the police department washes their own vehicles.

**Councilmember Archer:** Expressed appreciation to staff for coming in with another balanced budget that can only be achieved with the help of the department heads. Everyone is appreciative for everything that has been accomplished over the past few years and they have raised the bar extremely high.

**Mayor Pro Tem Navey:** Its been a pleasure to be on this board. We may not have always agreed, but the constant theme is that all decisions are based upon what is the right thing for Atlantic Beach. We are at a moment in time where things are working really well and he wants us to keep it going. It all flows when everyone works together.

**Mayor Cooper:** The most important thing we have is our people and we wouldn't be where we are without them. The Town trains staff to be leaders.

There being no further action taken or business before Council the meeting stood adjourned. The time was 6:35 p.m.


These minutes were approved at the July 24, 2017 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

ATTEST:

  
Katrina Tyer - Town Clerk



TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH

  
A. B. Cooper, III - Mayor