



**MINUTES**  
**Town of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina**  
**Town Council Meeting**  
**Monday, October 22, 2018**



The regularly scheduled meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council was held Monday, October 22, 2018 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 Richard Porter; Councilmembers: Harry Archer, Richard Johnson, Danny Navey, Austin Waters

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** David Walker, Town Manager; Derek Taylor, Town Attorney; Sabrina Simpson, Deputy Town Clerk; Arrington Moore, Events/Mgmt Asst; Jeff Harvey, Police Chief; Adam Snyder, Fire Chief; Marc Schulze, Public Works Director; Morgan Kerns, Events Director; Nick Krebs, Planner; Mike Shutak, Carteret News-Times  
Board of Adjustment: Joey Dean; Planning Board: Lynne Brown, Doug McCullough

**CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDAS**

Councilmember Archer made a motion *to approve* the agendas as presented. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Porter. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a) Financial Report
- b) Budget Amendments
- c) Tax Collection Report
- d) Tax Releases Report
- e) **RESOLUTION 18-10-01:** Resolution Designation of Applicant's Agent (FEMA)
- f) Town Council Meeting Minutes: 08/16/18 WS; 08/27/18; 09/21/18 WS; 9/24/18

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

**CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None.

**PRESENTATION OF THE CARNEGIE HERO AWARD TO THE FAMILY OF SCOTT WHITFORD**

Adam Snyder, Fire Chief, presented the family of Scott Derrick Whitford from New Bern with the Carnegie Hero Award. Mr. Whitford was 56 years old when he died on June 17, 2017, attempting to rescue a 15-year-old girl who was caught in a rip current that carried her about 200 feet from the beach into water over her head. She and her mother, who was with her, called for help. Mr. Whitford entered the ocean, and despite rough conditions, swam into deeper water to the girl grasping her from behind. During his efforts the girl clung to him and Mr. Whitford submerged several times. Emergency responders reached Mr. Whitford, who was floating unresponsive several feet from her, and attempted to perform CPR as they pulled him from the water to the beach. He remained unresponsive and in cardiac arrest as he was transported to a hospital, but he could not be revived. The girl, also brought in by emergency responders, was treated at the scene. She was taken to a hospital and released shortly.

**PROPOSED SIDEWALK EASEMENTS AT THE CIRCLE and Public Comment**

Councilmember Harry Archer made a motion *to recuse* Mayor Cooper and Mayor Pro Tem Porter from this portion of the meeting due to potential conflicts as property owners at the Circle. Second by Councilmember Waters. Vote was unanimous, 4-0. The meeting was turned over to Councilmember Navey to preside.

Mr. Walker presented an overview of the proposed sidewalk easements at the Circle. This is not a release of real estate, it is simply clearing up previous easements.

No public comments.

Councilmember Harry Archer made a motion *to approve* the Abandonment of Easement by the Town of Atlantic Beach. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Vote was unanimous, 4-0. Motion carried.

Councilmember Harry Archer made a motion *to approve* the Water Line Easement between FMB at the Grove, LLC and the Town of Atlantic Beach. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Vote was unanimous, 4-0. Motion carried.

Councilmember Harry Archer motion *to allow* Mayor Cooper and Mayor Pro Tem Porter to rejoin the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Waters. Approved unanimously, 4-0.

## TOWN MANAGER REPORT

### Approval of Contract with Hobgood Architects, Raleigh for architectural services for Police/Fire/Admin complex.

Mayor Pro Tem Porter made a motion *to approve* the contract with Hobgood Architects, Raleigh for architectural services for Police/Fire/Admin complex, Phase I; \$60,000. Seconded by Councilmember Navey. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

### Review of Bids and Recommendation of Award to Thomas Simpson Construction in the amount of \$151,000 for West Boardwalk Boulevard and South Raleigh Avenue Stormwater Improvement Project

Councilmember Archer made a motion *to approve* the bid for services to Thomas Simpson Construction in the amount of \$151,000 for West Boardwalk Boulevard and South Raleigh Avenue Stormwater Improvement Project. Seconded by Councilmember Waters. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

## MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

### Review of Planning Board Roster and appointments to fill vacancies due to attendance requirements

Mr. Dean confirmed he is still interested in serving on the Planning Board.

Councilmember Navey made a motion *to appoint* Fred Dean to Norm Livengood's seat on the Planning Board, expiring 12/31/2020. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Porter. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

Councilmember Waters made a motion *to appoint* Norm Livengood to Fred Dean's seat on the Board of Adjustment, expiring 6/30/2019. Seconded by Councilmember Archer. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

## ADJOURN

There being no further action taken or business before Council the meeting stood adjourned. The time was 6:25 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the November 26, 2018 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH

(seal)  
  
Katrina Tyer - Town Clerk



  
B. Cooper, III - Mayor