

Minutes Town of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina Town Council – Work Session Thursday, October 10, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.



A regularly scheduled work session of the Atlantic Beach Town Council was held Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 10:00 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 Richard Porter; Councilmembers: Harry Archer, Rich

Johnson, Danny Navey and Austin Waters

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

David Walker, Town Manager; Katrina Tyer, Town Clerk; Sabrina Simpson, Admin Services Director; Michelle Shreve, Planning Director; Morgan Gilbert, Parks and Rec Director; Marc Schulze, Public Works Director; Sarah Currie, Tax Collector; Mike Shutak, Carteret News Times

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cooper called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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

2020 REAL PROPERTY TAX REAPPRAISAL PRESENTATION

Sarah Davis, County Tax Administrator, was present to review the 2020 re-evaluation process. The County Commissioners will determine the tax rate in June 2020 during the budget process. She asked Council to notify her of any properties or areas her office should focus on.

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN AND CONTRACTOR FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT (BEACH RE-NOURISHMENT) APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET ORDINANCE POST-FLORENCE BEACH RE-NOURISHMENT PHASE II

Mayor Pro Tem Porter made a motion to accept the Agreement with Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC for Beach Re-nourishment. Seconded by Councilmember Archer. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Porter made a motion to approve the Capital Project Fund Ordinance in the amount of \$8,040,925. Seconded by Councilmember Waters. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

The project will start in February. Mayor Pro Tem Porter noted receiving complaints about speeding on east end during beach driving season and wanted to ensure the police department was enforcing.

CAUSEWAY CORRIDOR PLAN UPDATE

Mayor Cooper and staff met NCDOT representatives a few weeks ago, overall they liked the plan and that it eliminated curb cuts and managed accesses. They do not have funding for beautification projects, but they do for safety. We will compile public comments and submit to DOT along with our request for funding. Councilmember Johnson asked if a traffic light at the Old Causeway intersection was included in DOT discussion, Mayor Cooper stated it was not.

REVIEW OF ROLL OUT CART PROGRAM

Mayor Pro Tem Porter wanted to discuss this item again following a personal experience with Waste Industries damaging his cart. Currently Waste Industries has been replacing the carts damaged by them. Customers are instructed to contact Waste Industries and they determine if it was their fault or just an old cart. If it was their fault they replace it at no charge, if not then the customer has to replace it at a cost of \$76. As old carts are damaged or worn, they are replaced with a new design of cart so we are unable to sell replacement parts.

It was the consensus of Council to leave the policy as it is now: if the cart is worn or phased out, the expense is on the homeowner. If it is damaged by Waste Industries they will replace it. Staff will do some public outreach to explain this is how the Town is able to keep rates low and also remind homeowners to pull their carts from the street after pickup.

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COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Waters wanted to confirm the land fill item related to bulkheads was still being addressed. Staff confirmed it is on the November 12 Planning Board agenda.

ADJOURN

There being no further action taken or business before Council the meeting stood adjourned. The time was 11:00am.

These minutes were approved at the November 25, 2019 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

ATTEST:

(seal)

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH

.B. Cooper, III - Mayor

Katrina Tyer - Town Clerk