



Minutes
Town Council Meeting Agenda
Town Boardroom
1010 West Fort Macon Road, Unit 17 and
Electronically Via Zoom
Thursday, May 13, 2021 – 2:00 p.m.



A regularly scheduled work session of the Atlantic Beach Town Council was held Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room, 1010 West Fort Macon Road, Unit 17, Atlantic Beach, North Carolina and electronically via Zoom.

Members Present: Mayor A. B. Cooper, III; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Johnson; Councilmembers: Harry Archer, Danny Navey and Austin Waters

Members Absent: Councilman M.J. Forrest

Others Present: David Walker, Town Manager; Katrina Tyer, Town Clerk; Sabrina Simpson, Finance Director; Marc Schulze, Public Works Director; Michelle Shreve, Planning Director; Morgan Gilbert, Parks and Rec Director; Jeff Harvey, Police Chief; Mike Simpson, Fire Chief; Mike Shutak, Carteret News Times

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cooper called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Archer made a motion *to approve* the agenda. Seconded by Councilman Waters. Approved unanimously, 4-0. Motion carried.

Councilman Navey made a motion *to excuse* Councilman Forrest due to a court hearing. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson. Approved unanimously, 4-0. Motion carried.

FY21-22 DRAFT BUDGET STATUS SUMMARY

The draft budget has been made available to the public online and at town hall in preparation for the May 24 public hearing. There is a 3% rate increase in health insurance cost this year.

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson wanted to share with the board discussions he had with Mr. Walker regarding salaries. Salary dollars are actually going up 8% (\$231,000). The reason for the increase is volatility with police and fire and filling the vacancies, re-training and schooling in order to stay competitive with other towns.

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson also discussed the beach nourishment fund and using \$100,000 for dredging and beach accesses. He inquired about the boat tax funds, which are still being collected and used for marine patrol, etc.

REVIEW OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE NOISE ORDINANCE

Chief Harvey wants to update the noise ordinance and designate a time for amplified music to end, he is proposing 10:00pm during the week and 11:00pm on weekends. Officers need a designated time so the ordinance can be enforced.

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson would like to see the entire ordinance rewritten to update the wording, it is embarrassing.

There was discussion on how to enforce loud music on the beach and the time limits for amplified music ending at night, the consensus was that 10:00pm during the week and 11:00pm at night is reasonable.

Mayor Cooper will make a few notes and send his suggestions to the Chief. Chief Harvey was instructed to send to the town attorney for review also.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

There being no further action taken or business before Council the meeting stood adjourned. The time was 2:50 pm.

These minutes were approved at the June 28, 2021 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH

ATTEST:

(seal)


Katrina Tyer - Town Clerk




B. Cooper, III - Mayor