



MINUTES
Town of Atlantic Beach, North Carolina
Town Council Meeting
1010 West Fort Macon Road, Unit 17 and
Electronically via Zoom
Monday, June 28, 2021



The regularly scheduled meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council was held Monday, June 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Meeting Room, 1010 West Fort Macon Road, Atlantic Beach, North Carolina.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: David Walker, Town Manager; Katrina Tyer, Town Clerk; Derek Taylor, Town Attorney; Michelle Eitner, Planning Director; Jeff Harvey, Police Chief; Morgan Kerns, Special Events Coordinator; Marc Schulze, Public Works Director; Julian Griffee, Planner; Mike Shutak, Carteret News Times

CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilman Navey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Archer made a motion *to approve* the agenda as prepared. Seconded by Councilman Waters. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Finance Report
- b) Budget Transfers
- c) Tax Collection Report
- d) Tax Releases and Refunds Report
- e) GovDeals Sales Report – PD Gator
- f) Approval of **Ordinance 21-06-01**: Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Nuisances Article IV, Noise
- g) Minutes: 12/1/20Joint; 5/13/21WS; 5/24/21

Councilman Navey made a motion *to approve* the consent agenda as prepared. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

CITIZEN REQUESTS/COMMENTS

No comments in person or via Zoom.

PLANNING AND ZONING

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 18 AND CHAPTER 6 ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH NCGS 160D

The new Chapter 160D of the General Statutes consolidates current city (160A) and county (153A) statutes for development regulations into a single, unified chapter. The new law primarily reorganizes and clarifies, there are not any major policy changes or shifts in the scope of authority. Local governments are required to make these amendments by July 1, 2021.

UNC School of Government provided a checklist guiding changes as ‘must’, ‘may’, and ‘be aware’. We have incorporated all of the ‘musts’ and many of the ‘mays’, included more definitions and clarified Board of Adjustment decisions and written determinations. There are not any changes to procedure or policy. A lot of suggested changes refer to ETJs, conditional zoning and historic preservation, which we do not have. Attorney Taylor has reviewed the proposed updates.

Councilman Waters made a motion *to enter* public hearing. Seconded by Councilman Archer. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

No comments in person or via Zoom.

Councilman Forrest made a motion *to exit* public hearing. Seconded by Councilman Waters. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

Councilman Archer made a motion *to approve* Resolution 21-06-01: Resolution of Consistency. Seconded by Councilman Navey. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

Councilman Navey made a motion *to approve* Ordinance 21-06-02: Ordinance Amending Chapter 18 Unified Development Ordinance and Chapter 6 Buildings and Building Regulations. Seconded by Councilman Forrest. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING AT THE JULY 26, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING FOR LOCAL ADOPTION OF THE CAMA LAND USE PLAN

The draft CAMA Land Use Plan has been deemed complete by the Division of Coastal Management and reviewed by other state and federal agencies and is now ready for local adoption. This is largely procedural, as only technical changes were made since the last time Council reviewed this document and gave preliminary approval.

Councilman Archer made a motion *to call for a public hearing* on local adoption of the CAMA Land Use Plan at the July 26, 2021 Council meeting. Seconded by Councilman Waters. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING AT THE JULY 26, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER COMMITMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE PUBLIC BEACH AND WATERFRONT ACCESS PROGRAM

The Town has been invited to submit a final application for the CAMA Public Beach and Waterfront Access grant program to rebuild the DoubleTree East Public Beach Access. The due date for the final application is August 16.

Councilman Navey made a motion *to call for a public hearing* to consider commitment of matching funds for the Public Beach and Waterfront Access Program at the July 26, 2021 Council meeting. Seconded by Councilman Forrest. Vote was unanimous, 5-0. Motion carried.

SPECIAL EVENTS UPDATE

Morgan Gilbert noted we have received over \$28,000 in sponsorships for the Beach Music Festival and reviewed the Music Week schedule: Monday – DJ Danny Navey at the Tackle Box Tavern; Tuesday – Wine and Design Sip and Paint at Crystal Coast Brewing; Wednesday – Business After Hours sponsored by R&D Brewing at the DoubleTree with Gary Lowder & Smokin Hot; Thursday – Sweat, Sip & Shop at the Cottage and the Beach Music Pub Crawl (including 10 stops); Friday – Sponsor’s Reception at Memories catered by On the Rocks; Saturday – Beach Music Festival

The foam parties held at the park are a success. We have fireworks scheduled for July 4 and live music at the Circle.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

We have completed the westend stormwater project and the citizens seem pleased. We will begin work on the other recently approved projects.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS


Mayor Cooper is proud to announce that the Town Park has received the People’s Choice Award for favorite Outdoor Adventure Activity from CarteretCurated.com. The park will be featured in the 2021 People’s Choice Guide that will be release the week before July 4th.

ADJOURN

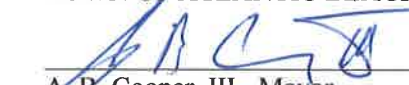
There being no further action taken or business before Council the meeting stood adjourned. The time was 7:31pm.

These minutes were approved at the July 26, 2021 meeting of the Atlantic Beach Town Council.

ATTEST:

(seal)

Katrina Tyer - Town Clerk

TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH


A. B. Cooper, III - Mayor