

**Town Council
Regular Meeting
July 1, 2014**

Council Members Present:

Mayor A.D. (Zander) Guy, Jr
Mayor Pro-Tem Douglas Medlin
Michael Curley
Don Helms
W.J. (Buddy) Fowler

Town of Surf City Staff:

Charles Lanier- Town Attorney
Larry Bergman- Interim Town Manager
Jane Kirk- Assistant Town Manager
Stephanie Hobbs- Town Clerk
Todd Rademacher- Town Planner
Kristie Grubb- Parks & Recreation Director
Allan Libby- Tourism Director
Barry Newsome- Tourism
David Price- Public Works
Phillip Voorhees- Police Sergeant

Members of Public Present:

Joan Dorazio
Jason Dorazio
Paul Dorazio
Principal Berry Simmons
Coach Granville Garris
Ron Wiese
Myrna Wiese
Rachel Wiese
Lenny Denitas
Carolyn Allen

A. Call to Order

Mayor called the meeting to order 7:00pm.

B. Invocation

Mr. Medlin gave the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Recognition

The Mayor recognized Topsail High School for their accomplishment as the 3A State Champions in Baseball for North Carolina with a plaque for their hard work and dedication.

B. Proclamation

Parks & Recreation Month

E. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Lanier recommend approval of the June 3 and June 27 Regular Minutes. Mr. Helms made the motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Mr. Fowler. The motion was carried.

F. Beautification & Appearance Recognition

Home of the Month – Mike & Barbara Langdon at 111 Leyland Way
Business of the Month – 208 N New River Dr The Daily Grind

G. Public Hearing

J. New Business

1. Corner Villas

Mr. Rademacher stated The first phase of The Corner project was developed in August of 2002 for a two-story 7,200 square foot building on a .55 acre lot located between Topsail Drive and Greensboro Ave. This building currently is the home to The Corner Deli, Maebilt Construction and Sugar Island Bakery. This second phase is for the residential portion of the project located on the corner of North Shore Dr. and Greensboro Ave. This proposed project expansion includes the construction of six 3 story residential multi-family units on the property. The property is zoned C-1 or Central Business District and allows for multi-Family construction provided adequate commercial space is provided on the site at a ratio of 1 residential unit for every 500 square feet of commercial space. The developer is showing compliance with all aspects of the zoning ordinance. Sidewalks were constructed in conjunction with the commercial phase (except for a small portion on the north side of the project.) Landscaping, driveways, lighting, stormwater and parking all meet or exceed the Surf City requirements. The Fire Marshall has reviewed the plans for compliance and has found no issues with the site. Water and sewer will be served by individual services off of North Shore Drive which will meet the standards of the water and sewer ordinances.

Mr. Medlin made a motion to approve the submitted site plan. It was seconded by Mr. Helms and it was carried.

1. Water Update

Mr. Bergman stated he wanted to briefly update everyone on the water quality. We have continued to have a lot of good open dialogue with the state and our engineers. First, we have changed our disinfectant to ammonia and this change should have an immediate effect on the by-product. The engineer reports have been sent to the state. Secondly, and more long range, we are looking at a change into how we filter the water. We are looking at adding an additional filter to be added in a pilot study to the water treatment plant. This would be added by the same contractor who originally built the water treatment plant. This would give a better idea of what items are in the water or may need to be treated in the water. This study should start July 7th and run about a week long. We have also added more materials on our website and our annual water quality report will be out with our July utility bills. We are continuing to work diligently on our water quality. The state has been assisting us and our engineer with different ideas and they are happy with the processes we are taking now.

K. Public Forum

Lenny Denitas at 206 N Topsail Dr stated he thanked the council for their voting on the Villas tonight. Secondly, he stated how well and professionally the meetings are run.

Carolyn Allen at Topsail Landing asked if there was any consideration for a turning lane from Belt Rd going left to the island.

The Mayor stated we have spoken with the engineers at DOT previously and they have stated that the traffic studies do not warrant one. We will however bring this item back up to them again and they look back into it.

L. Council Forum

Mr. Curley stated he thanked everyone for coming and for their actions within the town. He thanked all of the employees for their hard work in the park. One of the top conversations this morning at Kiwanis was beautiful the park currently is.

Mr. Medlin stated he thanked all employees and volunteer for all of their hard work around town.

Mr. Fowler stated he wanted everyone to understand the difficulty in any school winning an event. We are very fortunate to have Topsail come out on top and win the state championship, hats of to the entire team. This Thursday we have a lot of events going on in the park. It looks marvelous. The Topsail Advertiser has a listing of all activities at the Community Center.

Mr. Helms stated he thanked everyone for coming out tonight. He commended the staff on their hard work, and they have done an excellent job. The fire department will be out Thursday night selling hotdogs. Please be patient with one another, be safe.

The Mayor stated we take pride in our July 3rd celebration every year. Our staff personally works very hard so that everyone can enjoy the celebration. We appreciate everything our employees do. This year however we have been looking into Arthur, the tropical storm. We do not know currently what we are going to do, we are waiting to see. Most importantly we are keeping the safety of our citizens and guest at the foremost. We hope to move forward with our celebration, weather permitting.

M. Manager Report

Mr. Bergman stated he wanted to touch on the tropical storm planning, we have a lot of resources we are currently watching. We are meeting in the morning with emergency management and other state agencies. We are hoping to make more decisions by tomorrow morning. As of now it looks to be a weak category one by the time it reaches our coast. Staff is getting prepared at this time.

Mrs. Kirk stated she had no reports.

N. Town Attorney Reports

Mr. Lanier stated he had no reports.

O. Adjournment

Mr. Fowler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Helms seconded the motion and it was carried.

A.D. (Zander) Guy Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Stephanie Edwards Hobbs, Town Clerk