

**TOPSAIL ISLAND
SHORELINE PROTECTION COMMISSION**

June 26, 2014 - 2:00 p.m.
Town of North Topsail Beach

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT:

Commission Members:

Chairman Michael Curley - Surf City
David Ward- Surf City
Larry Combs- Topsail Beach
Tom Leonard- North Topsail Beach
Julian Bone- Topsail Beach
Suzanne Gray- North Topsail Beach
Richard Peters _North Topsail Beach
Hiram Williams- Surf City
Lionel Midget- Onslow County

Liaisons:

Stuart Turille- North Topsail Beach
Laurence Bergman- Surf City
Tim Holloman- Topsail Beach

Others Attending:

Steve Smith - Topsail Beach
Michael Moore- Surf City

I Call to Order:

Chairman Mike Curley called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

II Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Williams made the motion to approve the May 22, 2014 minutes. Mr. Peters seconded the motion and it was carried.

III. Old Business:

- Marlowe & Co.:

1. WRDA Approval

Mr. Curley stated that the WRDA was approved all the way through, although it is not on the President's budget for this fiscal year, which is already submitted to Congress for approval.

2. What is next?

Mr. Curley stated he spoke with Marlowe and all projects with projected funding for 2015 are currently submitted in the President's budget proposal. Marlowe is projecting our projects on the budget hopefully in 2016 funding. These projects for 2016 will start to converse around spring of 2015. Yet congress can still allocate additional funds in a "work plan." These "work plans" are designated by the Army Corps. The Office of Management & Budget still controls the use of Army Corps fund. Marlowe plans to start at the district and go up to lobby the President for funding. Locally we should start with Pam Castens.

Mr. Combs stated that our Senators are a good point of contact as well for lobbying in Washington.

Mr. Bone stated suggested starting with top management for the Army Corps in our districts. Colonel Baker would be a good starting point here locally, it may be worth it to make a visit to go see him.

Mr. Combs stated we should be in touch Pam to arrange this appointment.

Mr. Williams stated that is an opportunity to wrap up funding for small 2015 projects locally and really focus on funding for 2016 for large projects.

Mr. Curley stated in agreement to making an appointment with Colonel Baker.

Mr. Ward made a motion to make an appointment with Colonel Baker in Wilmington in regards to funding opportunities. Mr. Williams seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Smith suggested sending letters to Senators to see what steps to take to get on the 2016 Presidents budget.

- Connie Wilson:
Connie should be finishing up in Raleigh within the next two weeks.

- Towns' Local Projects:

1. North Topsail Beach:

Mr. Turille stated the Mayor met with Wildlife the past Wednesday and Congressman Jones. Wildlife is still sticking with that in 1982 the town of North Topsail Beach did not have full infrastructure. Second access to these structures cannot be proved by the town. If all the infrastructures were not in place than there is no exemption per Wildlife. The next meeting with Marlowe and the Town will be on challenging this decision. The Congressional Bill is still in Subcommittee awaiting Fish & Wildlife to move to Congressional Committee. Right now it is stuck with the Subcommittee. Phase five is still on track for 1.5 cubic yards. The Local Government Commission (LGC) is meeting with the town again in August. The LGC has recommending moving forward and bid opening will by July 1. Phase 1 area, was 1.5 miles and it holding up well.

2. Topsail Beach:

Mr. Holloman stated they have no changes and they are still on track for starting in November.

- Status of Existing Corps Projects

1. Corps – Pam Castens

Mr. Combs stated Pam sent a message that the cost analysis will cost about \$20,000 jointly for the economic update if one is warranted.

2. CRC Update:

No Update

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

V. OPEN FORUM:

The next meeting will be July 24th at 2:00 pm at Surf City.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Broadhurst made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Mr. Peters and carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Adopted this the _____ day of _____, 2014.

Michael Curley, TISPC Chairman

Stephanie Edwards Hobbs, TISPC Recorder