

**Town Council
Regular Meeting
March 3, 2015**

Council Members Present:

Mayor A.D. (Zander) Guy, Jr
Mayor Pro-Tem Douglas Medlin
Nelva Albury
Michael Curley
Don Helms

Town of Surf City Staff:

Charles Lanier- Town Attorney
Larry Bergman- Town Manager
Jane Kirk- Assistant Town Manager
Stephanie Hobbs- Town Clerk
Todd Rademacher- Town Planner
Allan Libby- Tourism Director
Barry Newsome- Tourism
Randall Worthington- Public Works
Joey Rivenbark-Fire Chief

Members of Public Present

Hap Alexander
Morton Blanchard

A. Call to Order

Mayor called the meeting to order 7:00pm.

B. Invocation

Mr. Medlin gave the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Special Recognition

Tammy Proctor Chamber Update

E. Proclamation

Multiple Sclerosis

F. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Lanier recommend approval of the February 3, 2015 minutes. Mrs. Albury made the motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Mr. Helms and the motion was carried.

G. Beautification & Appearance Recognition

Home of the Month – Dellon & Carolyn Holt at 559 Little Kinston Rd
Business of the Month – Sisters Organic Market at 330 N. New River Dr.

H. Public Hearing

J. New Business

1. Rex & Son's RV Display at 203 Alston Blvd.

Mr. Bergman recommended the use of the parking lot for the temporary sales lot. Mrs. Albury made a motion to approve the use. Mr. Medlin seconded the motion and it was carried.

2. Delinquent Tax Advertisement

Mrs. Kirk stated this is for the unpaid 2014 taxes for advertisement. Mr. Medlin made the motion to advertise. Mr. Helms seconded the motion and it was carried.

K. Public Forum

Mr. Morton Blanchard 202 N Anderson Drive

Mr. Blanchard stated he came to encourage the follow of a program that has been started in Topsail Beach last year. It is the placing of rescue poles at the beach crossovers. This is a positive effort by erecting the poles. It is poles, lifesaving rings, and information. This would a great effort to save lives. It cost less than a \$100 a pole. If we could possibly get all three towns involved it could ease the confusion for EMS worker. We could color coordinate the poles by the town in which they are currently in. In life saving missions each minute truly count. Topsail did take in some private donations, and I am willing myself to give \$500 myself.

Mr. Hap Alexander 806 Roland Ave

Mr. Alexander stated he has been a member of the NCDOT advisory committee for the new bridge. I am here tonight to introduce you to Angleo DePaola, he is a 92 year old resident here on Topsail Island. He is a lifelong

fire service member. I am proposing a resolution for the dedication of the bridge in his name.

Chief Rivenbark stated he thanked all of the council for their dedication and hard work this year with the involvement of the new fire station.

L. Council Forum

Mr. Curley stated he thanked everyone for coming out tonight, and thank you for your interest.

Mr. Medlin stated he thanked everyone for coming out tonight. We appreciate everyone's input. We are all looking for spring and hopefully it is just around the corner.

Mrs. Albury said that she appreciated everyone who came out tonight. It is good to see everyone here tonight and may God Bless you all.

Mr. Helms stated he thanked everyone for coming out tonight. It is nice to see all the people here tonight. The Police Department has now opened their mainland station and the Fire Department is now in the Deer Run station. We are all very thankful for the assistance of staff and council. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer and I hope it hurries up.

Mr. Fowler asked Mrs. Grubb to give an update for Parks and Recreation on his behalf before the meeting. Mrs. Grubb stated they are currently diligently working on a dog park. We currently have three quotes that are under review. A portion of the work will be done by some staff, and the land clearing is being done on a volunteer crew from the town. The dog park will be located by the play ground behind the Community Center. It will be sectioned off for small and large dogs. This will be a free run park. We are taking in all safety precautions. It should be a great benefit to the Town. The staff that we currently have that maintain the grounds will be responsible for all waste not cleaned up by the owners.

The Mayor stated he thanked everyone for coming. He thanked all the employees for coming out tonight. We are growing here in Surf City on April 18th the Surf City campus of Cape Fear Community College will be having its grand opening. We are very proud of our campus.

M. Manager Report

Mr. Bergman stated up now is the auditor contract renewal for next year. Mr. Helms made a motion to approve the contract. Mr. Medlin seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mr. Bergman stated the Camp Davis 75th Anniversary is coming up. We have been approached on being part of the celebration. I propose to be one of the sponsors to this function. The Welcome Center repairs are completed and it is now re-open. The Fire Station on the mainland is now open at Deer Run and will be a long term benefit to the town. There are still some space open there and could potentially be the EOC building. The Police Department now has a mainland station on Hwy 210. The Town Hall has been under review with the building inspector. The structural issues are currently being looked at. Our beach sand push continues and we are about ½ way through. We have received emails over the quality of the push this year and they have all been compliments. The Hwy 17 forcemain is in need of expansions by state regulations as pointed out by our engineer Gus Simmons with Cavanaugh and associates. We want to stay ahead for our potential growth. He is suggesting starting the permit process to get the ball rolling. The proposed cost is \$50,000 for just the permitting phase. The Juniper Swamp waste water expansion is also at the permitting phase. The quote for the permitting phase is \$50,000. Both of these the items to be considered is the cost of this part of the work. The Juniper Swamp project is that we are under contract with a forestry service and we do bring in funds from the harvesting of the timber. We have already brought in about \$70,000 in revenues. The Hwy 17 forcemain would be funded by the payment of impact fees. Mrs. Kirk and I will be evaluating the financial authority before moving forward.

Mr. Medlin made a motion to go ahead with the permit process after more financial investigation. Mr. Helms seconded the motion and it was carried.

N. Town Attorney Reports

Mr. Lanier stated he had no reports.

O. Adjournment

Mrs. Albury 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