

TOPSAIL ISLAND SHORELINE PROTECTION COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 25, 2014
NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH TOWN HALL
2:00PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Curley called the meeting to order at 2:00PM at the North Topsail Beach Town Hall.

PRESENT:

Chairman Michael Curley– Surf City
Hiram Williams– Surf City
Tom Leonard – North Topsail Beach
Suzanne Gray - North Topsail Beach
Dick Peters – North Topsail Beach
Julian Bone – Topsail Beach
Larry Combs – Topsail Beach
Ed Broadhurst – Topsail Beach

LIAISONS:

Stuart Turille– North Topsail Beach
Tim Holloman - Topsail Beach
Larry Bergman – Surf City

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dick Macartney – North Topsail Beach
Steve Smith – Topsail Beach
Bill Morrison – CRC
Tom Eggleston – Topsail Beach
Linda Stipe – Topsail Beach
Jerry Patton
John Goller

II. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 28, 2014 MINUTES

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the August 28, 2014 minutes as presented. Mr. Bone seconded the motion and it was carried.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Marlowe & Company

Chairman Curley referred to the update that Marlowe had just sent to TISPC. He said it gives a good update on what is going on in DC and where we stand. There was brief discussion about the recent meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers and that the cost benefit reports they are working on

should get the federal project into the 2016 budget. There was discussion about the grant information that came from Marlowe.

Mr. Williams discussed an upcoming meeting with the home builder association and that Mr. Rouzer (U.S. Congress candidate) will be there. He said that one of the three topics to be discussed will be shoreline protection. Mr. Williams said he would speak on behalf of the island at this meeting.

B. Connie Wilson

Chairman Curley gave an update on the status of setting up a meeting with Wayne Goodman, Commissioner of Insurance. He said Ms. Wilson could get Commissioner Goodman to come to a meeting with us, but that it would have to get more people than the 25 or so that usually come to meetings. There was discussion about when to have a meeting and who to invite. There was consensus to have Commissioner Goodman come to the Four Town Meeting in January and the organization of this meeting will be decided upon at a later time.

C. Town Local Projects

1. North Topsail Beach – Phase 5 project is scheduled to begin on or near December 1st and the Town will be having a pre-construction meeting on October 1st. The Town is still working on mitigating the 2300 foot area of the Phase One project that is experiencing high erosion. Town Staff met with NCDENR to discuss getting State funds for maintenance of the inlet. The Town also needs to get the partnership agreement in place for the federal project so that it can put in a request for the State share of funds.
2. Topsail Beach – The fall project is in line and the engineers do not see any complications right now. The Town will be receiving the money it needs from the State before it has to pay its bills for the project. The Town adopted a resolution opposing wetland regulation changes, which came from Business Alliance for a Sound Economy.

D. Status of Existing Corps Projects

Chairman Curley reported on the meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers, he said it was a positive meeting. He said that the Wilmington District made it clear that they are for our project 100 percent. There was discussion on the Corps getting out of the dredging business and the need to lobby to get into the 2016 budget.

E. CRC Update

The CRC is meeting in Wilmington on October 22nd and 23rd. Mr. Morrison asked for members to let him know if they will be attending. He said the Governor and some of his associates will be there.

F. Corps Update

Chairman Curley said that Ms. Castens cannot attend next month and that

she has offered to meet with us at another time if we need her to. Members asked Chairman Curley to request a status report on the PPA prior to the next TISPC meeting so that it can be discussed.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Faulkner spoke about the report that was distributed by the Greater Topsail Island Chamber of Commerce which provides data on the population of the island in the summer months.

V. OPEN FORUM

Mr. Peters asked if Ms. Wilson's contract commits her to meeting with TISPC on a regular basis. Chairman Curley said he did not think that was in her contract. There was a suggestion to have Ms. Wilson attend a TISPC meeting next time the legislature is back in session. Chairman Curley said he would see what her plans are for the next legislative session and see what thoughts she has, she will likely come.

VI. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be October 23, 2014 at Surf City Town Hall at 2:00 PM.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 3:37PM.

Adopted this the 13 day of October 2014.

Michael Curley, TISPC Chairman

Carin Z. Faulkner, TISPC Recorder